



Worthington Schools  
200 E. Wilson Bridge Road  
Worthington, OH 43085

July 22, 2019

Update to the Worthington Board of Education regarding the I Am Boundless Property (most commonly know in Worthington as the Harding Property.)

The Boundless family of companies has nearly 40 years of expertise providing person-centered care to children, adults, and families with intellectual and developmental disabilities and/or behavioral health challenges. They have several tracks of land on their property that they are looking to sell and in their words “partner” with a provider. Last spring Boundless issued a RFP for their property.

On March 15th, Worthington Schools responded to the I Am Boundless RFP and Jeff Eble met twice with their team to discuss the 13.7-acre site on the SE section of their property at the end of Indianola Avenue.

On July 8th, Dr. Bowers again met with Boundless regarding our proposal. We discussed our timeline for potentially building a new Colonial Hills elementary in Phase 2 of our Facilities Master Plan and the potential for Worthington Schools to purchase the land and lease it back to I Am Boundless until we are ready to move forward.

As of July 22nd, we are waiting to learn if Boundless would like to move forward on negotiating a partnership. We plan to hold a community meeting in early September to talk with residents about the site and why we believe it may be the best location to rebuild Colonial Hills.

Positives:

- The land is in the existing Colonial Hills neighborhood.
- The land provides access from 161 and the neighborhood.
- 13.7-acres is sufficient to build a modern school for 600-700 students.
- The current site has limited access and a ravine down the middle of the 12-acre property making rebuilding difficult.

Alternatives:

- Rebuild on the current site. Rebuilding would require moving Colonial Hills students to another location during the building period and likely would require the purchase of some adjacent houses to create entrances for buses and cars. (See attached drawing.)
- Rebuild on the South field site. This would require building in the Rush Creek neighborhood and removing several acres of woods.

Next steps:

- Wait to hear from I Am Boundless
- Schedule community meeting