

**NOTICE OF HEARING ON PROPOSED SCHOOL CLOSURES
IN CHAMBERS COUNTY**

**TO ALL SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN RESIDING WITHIN THE CHAMBERS COUNTY
SCHOOL DISTRICT, THEIR PARENTS AND/OR LEGAL GUARDIANS, AND OTHER
CONCERNED CITIZENS:**

The United States District Court for the Middle District of Alabama has ordered a hearing on Chambers County Board of Education's request to close Five Points Elementary School and JP Powell Middle School; to transition Eastside Elementary School to a magnet school; and to close Lafayette-Lanier Elementary School. The full text of the request is available for review on the Board's website at <https://www.chambersk12.org>. Notice is being provided for the benefit of those whose interests are affected.

The hearing is scheduled to take place before the Honorable W. Keith Watkins, United States District Judge, on June 30th, 2022 at 8 a.m. Central Daylight Time in the G.W. Andrews Federal Building and United States Courthouse located at 701 Avenue A, Opelika, Alabama. The hearing is open to the public.

Members of the public who wish to file written comments on the proposal may do so. Written comments may be submitted in any form, but a template is available on the Chambers County Board of Education website at <https://www.chambersk12.org>. Written comments **must** be received by 3 p.m. on June 29, 2022. Written comments may be sent either by mail to Chambers County Board of Education, C/O Cookie Thomas, 1298 Vocational Drive, Lafayette, AL 36862 or by email to thomaskc@chambersk12.org.

Students, parents, or members of the public who are interested in speaking at the hearing **must** contact GeDa' Jones Herbert at (202) 682-1300 or Stanley F. Gray at (334) 727-4830 by 3 p.m. on June 29, 2022.

If you have any questions, you may contact counsel for the Private Plaintiffs—GeDa' Jones Herbert at (202) 682-1300 or Stanley F. Gray at (334) 727-4830; counsel for the United States—Amelia Huckins at (202) 353-5055 or Veronica Percia at (202) 514-4092; or counsel for Chambers County Board of Education—Robert T. Meadows, III, at (334) 241-8011.