



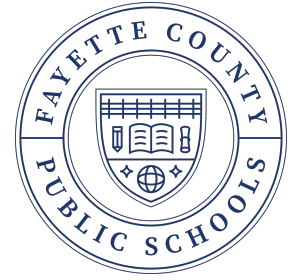
Lexington Middle School

Rooted in Legacy • Powered by Creativity • Celebrating Community

April 17, 2025

Principal, Bryne Jacobs

Assistant Principals: Chenita Adamson, & Leigh Nahra



Naming Recommendation for Lexington Traditional Magnet School

Board Policy:

Facilities (*Construction and Naming*)



The Superintendent/designee, in collaboration with an appointed committee reflective of the local community, shall recommend to the Board a name or names for a new building, facility or property and portions of buildings or facilities.

NAMING OF NEW OR EXISTING SCHOOLS, FACILITIES, ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAMS AND PORTIONS OF BUILDINGS, FACILITIES AND ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Naming of school buildings, District facilities, as well as the naming of alternative education programs, and portions of buildings and facilities shall be the responsibility of the Board. Names will be selected from the following:

- Prominent state, local, or national figures of good character;
- Prominent persons who have contributed to the history and/or progress of the Lexington/Fayette County area;
- Community leaders, former Board members, retired school leaders and/or teachers;
- Donors of school property;
- Geographic areas; and
- A descriptive name that aligns with the mission or learning culture of the school.

School buildings, District facilities, as well as alternative education programs, and portions of buildings and facilities may be named for living or deceased individuals.

District facilities may not be named for active employees of the District but does not preclude individuals from being hired if a building has been previously named for them.

The Superintendent/designee, in collaboration with an appointed committee reflective of the local community, shall recommend to the Board a name or names for a new building, facility or property and portions of buildings or facilities.

Buildings, facilities and portions of buildings and facilities may also be renamed in the event they are closed and reopened or if the current name does not meet the naming criteria above.



Bryne Jacobs
Principal



Chenita Adamson
Assistant Principal



Leigh Nahra
Assistant Principal



Emily Tighe
PGES Coach



Lance Patton
Teacher



Nakiya Mayberry
Teacher



Sara Thornton
Teacher



**Laurie
Appleby-Williams**
Parent



Raven Piercey
Parent



Cierra Spaulding
FCPS FACE Liaison

Naming Committee

Timeline

Initial Planning

Meeting with Equity
Committee &
Constituents

Shiloh Baptist Church

Community Event at
Shiloh Baptist Church

Student Showcase

Top 5 Finalists Student
Showcase Event

SBDM Decision

SBDM Decision Made

Board Presentation

Presentation of
recommended name

2022-2023

12-05-24

01-30-25

02-27-25

03-18-25

03-25-25

03-27-25

03-28-25

04-17-25

Lyric Theatre

Community Event at
the Lyric Theatre

Marksbury Family Waypoint Center

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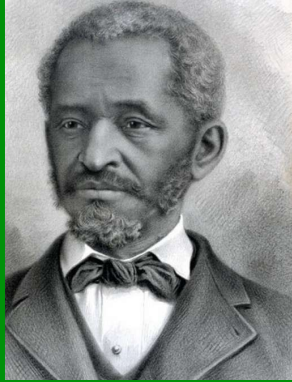
Surveys

Student, Staff, Parent
and Community
Surveys Sent &
Completed

Recommendation Submission

Submission of official
name recommendation
for board approval

Lewis and Harriet Hayden Middle School



MRS. HARRIET HAYDEN.



Douglass Student To Study At Lafayette

Helen Cary Caise, 16-year-old student at Douglass High School, walked into Lafayette High School here yesterday to register for summer classes—and set a precedent.

And at 8 a.m. today, she will become the first Negro student to study at Lafayette, or other white school in the county—if for only seven weeks, three hours daily. In the fall, she will return to study at Douglass, where she will be a junior.

Miss Caise, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Caise, 445 Lindberg Drive, said she didn't know what to expect when she and her father went to the school, and was pleased at the cordial reception.

The Lafayette summer school program is the only one in the county system. Douglass has none.

Dr. N. C. Turpen, county superintendent, said the board of education had considered the possibility of Negro students at summer classes, and held the opinion that qualified Negro students from the county must be admitted if they appear to register.

The girl will be in a class with about 20 white students when the session opens this morning.

She said she was encouraged to enter Lafayette by Mrs. Theda Van Lowe, principal of Douglass, and Mrs. Mary Roach, her home-room teacher.

Helen Caise Wade Middle School

East End Middle School



Manny Caulk Middle School



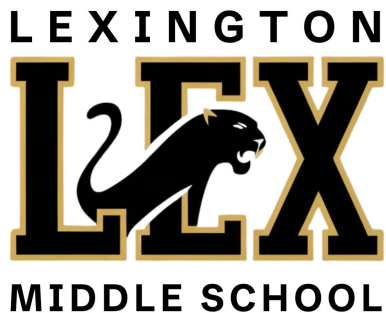
Lexington Middle School



Lexington Senior- 1908



Lexington Junior- 1928

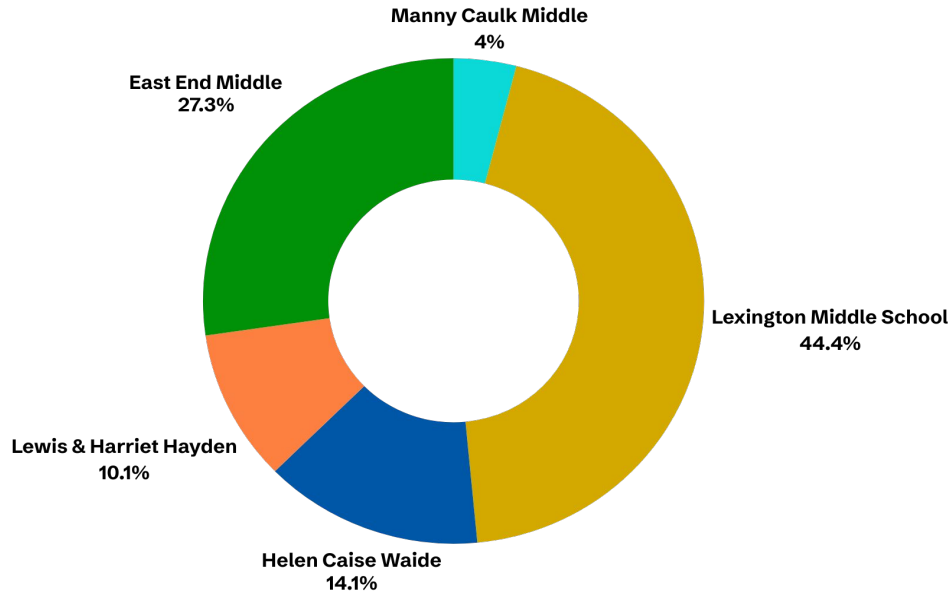


Lexington Traditional Magnet School- 1990

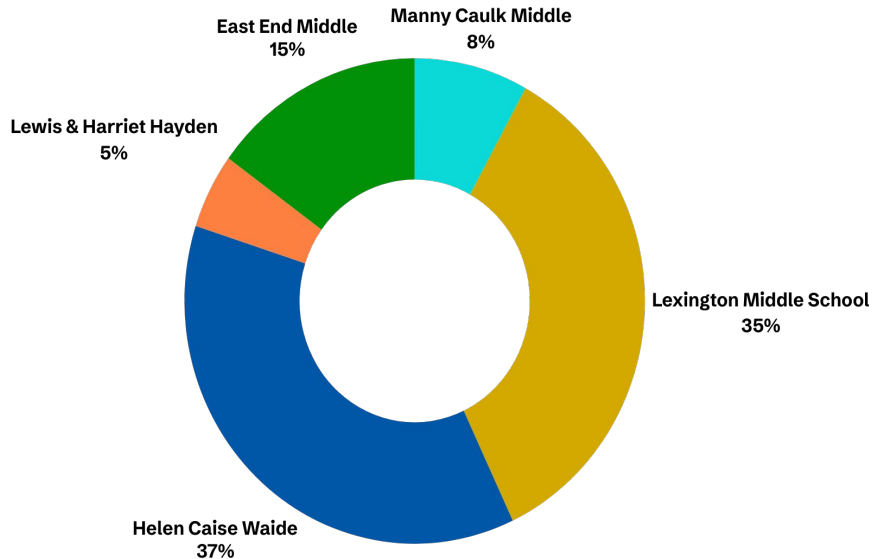
Stakeholder Feedback

Which name do you prefer for the school?

Scholars Response



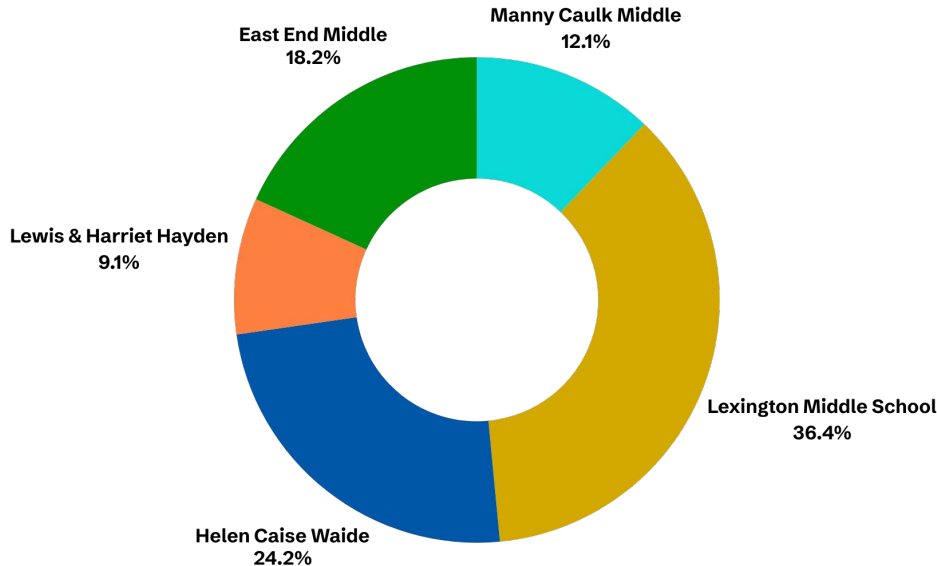
Staff Response



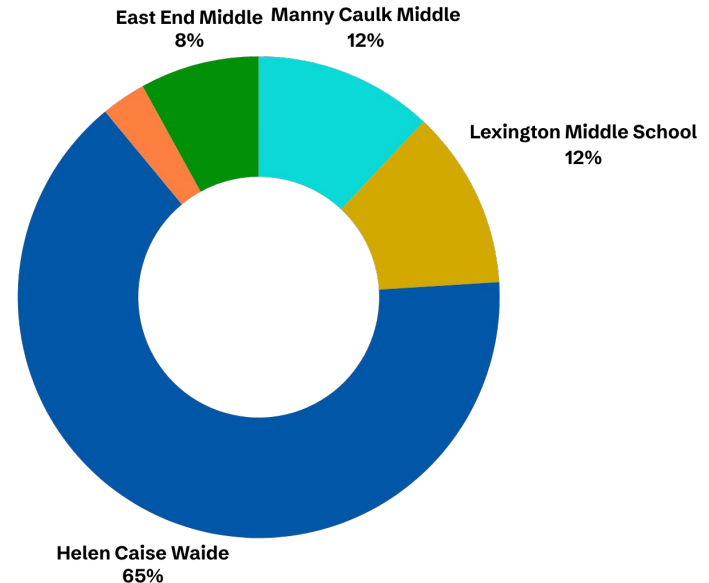
Stakeholder Feedback

Which name do you prefer for the school?

Family Response



Community Response



The Rationale:

*“You are downtown Lex’s whole left ventricle...
you will still be her heart” -Frank X Walker*

Rationale for Lexington Middle School:

- **Community Connection:** The name "Lexington Middle School" directly reflects the community we proudly serve.
- **Honoring History:** This name acknowledges and respects the school's rich history and its century-long service to the Lexington community.
- **Building Unity:** While respecting the pride associated with previous school names, "Lexington" provides a consistent link to our past, reconnecting alumni from Lexington Senior High, Lexington Junior High, and Lexington Traditional Magnet School, fostering a stronger sense of unity and belonging for current and future scholars.
- **Positive Stakeholder Feedback:** The proposed name has received consistent and positive feedback from all stakeholder groups.
- **Forward-Looking Rebranding:** "Lexington Middle School" allows for positive rebranding and the development of new logos that reflect our school's evolving mission and forward-thinking approach.



Questions?



Thank you!