

# Facilities Presentation of Viable Options to Close A School

School Board Meeting, November 13, 2018

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# Overview of Task from School Board Chairperson And Revised Timeline Based on Public Input

1. Bring forward a summary/recap on November 13th with any actually viable options that would allow us to close a school
2. Include the 5-8 scenario  
[May 22, 2018 School Board Presentation Grade 5-8 Model](#)
3. Survey to be constructed, sent out to public before December 11th
4. November 27th School Board Meeting: Public input/comments
5. December 11th: Presentation inclusive of Associated Option Costs, Computer Models, Potential SAU Relocation, and further public input
6. Date of final decision to be scheduled

# Previous Considerations

As previously presented through the Facilities Study Committee, the following ideas were considered:

- Early Learning Center housing preschool and kindergarten
- Three elementary schools housing grades 1 through 4
- Four elementary schools housing grades K through 4
- Four elementary schools housing grades K through 5
- One middle school housing grades 5 & 6 and the other middle school housing grades 7 & 8
- Two middle schools housing grades 5 through 8
- Two middle schools housing grades 6 through 8
- Build a new school
- Close the SAU building

# Elementary Enrollment Projections

- Projections based on October 1, 2018 enrollment and budget projections
- Kindergarten projections:
  - Based on maximum class size of 18 students
  - 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 based on 18 sections, some full day and some half day, using 13 classrooms
  - 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 anticipates 18 sections of full day classes, using 18 classrooms
- 2019-2020 Grade 1 projection is based on current Kindergarten enrollment (260 students) plus the historical 7-year average increase (57 students from Kindergarten to Grade 1)
- Following trends of historical data, an average of six students per grade has been added in the years following 2019-2020.

# Current Elementary CORE Classrooms/School

	Classrooms	School Capacity*
DVS	25	525
EDS	24	504
EPB	30	630
GRS	20	420
SRS	20	420
Total	119	2499

*\*Based on average 21 students per classroom*

# Middle School Enrollment Projections

- Projections based on October 1, 2018 enrollment
- Grade 5 projections based on
  - GHH has more classrooms than WRB
  - There are 58 total middle school classrooms between both schools
  - GHH - 34 classrooms, which is 59% of total classrooms
  - WRB - 24 classrooms, which is 41% of total classrooms
  - Therefore, grade 5 numbers were split: 59% GHH and WRB 41%
- Following trends of historical data, an average of three students per grade per school has been added in the years following 2019-2020.

# Current Middle School CORE Classrooms/School

	Core Classrooms	School Capacity*
GHH	34	850
WRB	24	600
Total	58	1450

*\*Based on average 25 students per classroom*

# Viability Analysis

- Based only on enrollment projections and number of classrooms
- Total enrollment is proportionally distributed among the schools, based on number of classrooms
- Elementary color coding:
  - Based on average 21 students per classroom in elementary
  - Green indicates 21 students or more under school capacity
  - Yellow indicates within 21 students of school capacity (+/- 21)
- Middle School color coding:
  - Based on average 25 students per classroom in middle school
  - Green indicates 25 students or more under school capacity
  - Yellow indicates within 25 students of school capacity (+/- 25)
  - Red indicates 26 students or more over school capacity



# Review of Potential School Closure Options

## Option 1:

- One elementary school as an Early Learning Center, housing preschool and all kindergarten classes
- Three elementary schools housing grades 1 through 4
- Two middle schools housing grades 5 through 8

*This option would close one elementary school in 2022-2023 if 3 of 4 WRB computer labs (=90 computers) are converted to classrooms. This would require additional computer solutions.*

# Review of Potential School Closure Options

## Option 2:

- Preschool remains at GHH
- Four elementary schools housing grades K through 4
- One middle school housing grades 5 and 6
- One middle school housing grades 7 and 8

*This option would close one elementary school in 2022-2023 if all 4 WRB computer labs (=120 computers) are converted to classrooms. This would require additional computer solutions. Additional space will also be needed to duplicate categorical programs.*

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## Option 3:

- Preschool remains at GHH
- Four elementary schools housing grades K through 5
- Two middle schools housing grades 6 through 8

*This option would close one elementary school if portables are added and/or class size is increased.*

# Review of Potential School Closure Options

## Option 4:

- Preschool remains at GHH
- Four elementary schools housing grades K through 4
- Two middle schools housing grades 5 through 8

*This option would close one elementary school in 2022-2023 if 3 WRB computer labs (=90 computers) are converted to classrooms. This would require additional computer solutions.*

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## Option 5:

- Close the SAU building
- SAU staff moves to an alternative location(s)

*This option does not close a school, yet could allow for potential leasing or sale income.*

## Additional School Closing Criteria Should Be Considered

- Condition of the facility
- Operating cost of the facility
- Capacity of a school to accommodate excess students
- Specific Considerations of Programs (ie: DEEP and Kindergarten must be on 1st floor)
- Environmental factors
- Transportation
- Neighbors

## Additional School Closing Criteria Should Be Considered

- Education program
- Aesthetics
- Value
- How each school fits into the District's master plan
- Potential associated certification costs, including those of necessary coursework

## Next Steps

There will be time for public input/comments at the next School Board meeting on November 27, 2018.

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