## Community Growth \& Projections

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## Purpose

## Scope of our Work

- Understand housing market and demographic trends affecting enrollment
- Project housing growth and demographic change between now and 2030
- Translate projected housing and demographic changes into enrollment projections
- Provide enrollment projections down to a neighborhood level


## Enrollment and Demographic Trends

## MTSD Enrollment Trend

- As of January 2019, the MTSD educated 3,746 4K-12 students
- 135 student (4\%) increase over past decade, mostly due to introduction of 4 K program
- District has ~160 non-resident students per year through Open-Enrollment-In and Chapter 220
- Total resident MTSD K-12 student enrollment decreased by 48 students over past decade
- Little change within the elementary grades, 5\% increase of middle schoolers, and 6\% decrease of high schoolers
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## 4K Introduction Boosted Enrollment



## Slightly Decreasing K-12 Enrollment



—K-12 Total Enrollment —K-12 Resident Enrollment

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## Recent Increase of Open-Enrollment-In



## Slight Decreases in K-5 and 9-12 Grade Groups



Source: UW-Madison APL

## Kindergarteners Not Replacing Graduating Seniors



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## Steady Municipal Population



## Steady Numbers of Annual Births...



Source: Wisconsin Department of Health Services, APL

# ...Because Most Adult Residents Have 

 Left Childbearing Years

Source: UW-Madison APL

## Housing Trends

## Recent Building Activity

- City of Mequon permitted $\sim 100$ new housing units per year between 2010 and 2018
- Average of $\sim 50$ single family or duplex homes per year
- Most new multifamily units in Town Center
- Current redevelopment concepts for new multifamily housing in Thiensville


## How Many Students from New Housing?

- Analyzed new subdivisions, such as Highlander Estates and the Enclave at Mequon Preserve
- Each new Mequon single family home generates 0.63 MTSD 4K-12 students
- Lower end of typical compared to other suburban areas
- Households moving into new single family homes are mix of young families, older families, empty nesters, and non-family households


## How Many Students when Homes Turn Over?

- Per State Dept. of Revenue, $16 \%$ of single family homes that sold between 2014 and 2019 had a MTSD student in January 2019
- Each home sale within the MTSD generated an average of 0.25 students-per-housing unit
- Some of these are families that moved within the MTSD
- Families with elementary age students were more common
- Wide variation by neighborhood


## How Many Students when Homes Turn Over?

- From 2010 to 2019, elementary student-perhousing unit ratios were steady in established (1950s/60s/70s) neighborhoods
- In those same neighborhoods, there was a significant decrease in high school student-perhousing unit ratios
- Neighborhoods most likely to generate new kids from housing turnover in the next decade will be ones built in the 1990s and early 2000s


## Does Multifamily Generate a lot of Students?

- Each multiple family unit (in $3+$ unit building) generates an average of 0.09 4K-12 students-per-housing unit
- Even lower in Town Center (neighborhood 18) at 0.06 students-per-unit
- Townhome units with 3 bedrooms generate more students, such as in Thiensville (neighborhood 57) and near Steffen and Wilson Schools (neighborhood 17)


## Key Housing Trends

- The larger size of Mequon homes and lots from the 1950s to 1980s enables renovations and expansions to serve modern family preferences
- 1970s ranches in the mid $\$ 300$ s have been attractive to families with kids
- A number of large, custom-built homes from 1990s and early 2000s homes are expected to go on the market in next 10-20 years
- Will there be enough buyers? Who? At what price?
- Nationwide, many country clubs and private colleges are struggling as their target markets decrease
- Should we expect conversion of some of this land in Mequon for new housing?

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## Projection Methodology

## Neighborhood Analysis

- Subdivided MTSD into 65 different neighborhoods
- Used commonly understood neighborhoods, "subdivisions," major roads and other physical barriers, municipal limits, planned growth areas
- Analyzed age of homes, recent home sales, recent/pending development, and other land uses
- Neighborhoods serve as the basis of our projections



## Housing Projection Methodology

- Estimate Jan. 2019 housing units in each neighborhood
- Project 2020, 2025, and 2030 housing units in each neighborhood by:
- Understanding housing market and economic dynamics
- Analyzing municipal and subdivision plans
- Interviewing municipal staff and real estate professionals
- Deciding rate and mix of housing growth
- Check summed housing projections against recent building permit activity and other agency projections


## Enrollment Projection Methodology

- Determine January 2019 resident $4 \mathrm{~K}-12$ student-per-housing unit ratios for each grade group (4K, K-5, 6-8, 9-12) in each neighborhood
- Project 2020, 2025, and 2030 student-per-housing unit ratios for each grade group in each neighborhood by:
- Reviewing birth rates and aging students through grade groups
- Comparing neighborhood to others at different stages
- Factoring impact of new housing, considering mix
- Projecting turnover using subdivision ages \& 2010-19 changes
- Multiply 2020/2025/2030 housing units by 2020/2025/2030 ratios to arrive at enrollment projections


## Housing Projection Results

## Housing Projections Overview

- We project 1,236 new housing units in the MTSD between January 2019 and 2030-or ~107 new units per year
- $58 \%$ are projected to be single family homes
- Multiple family units tend to come in larger projects
- Our housing unit projection for 2030 is comparable to household projections made by DOA and SEWRPC for the same time period


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## Housing Projections Rationale

- Projected $\sim 107$ housing units per year is similar to $\sim 100$ units per year since 2010. Why?
- Projected continuation of recent building trends, including duplexes and multiple family
- Still, much of the "best" land for new housing in the District has already been developed, making more of an increase unlikely
- Remaining vacant land is often away from utilities/sewer service area, zoned for $5+$ acre lots, already divided into large home parcels, environmentally constrained, and/or actively farmed
- Our projections do not build in another 2007-08 crisissignificant recession would set back projections

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## Housing Projections by Housing Type

- City of Mequon projected to add $\sim 62$ single family homes per year between January 2019 and 2030
- Future is likely to include continued demand for more multiple family housing
- Thiensville redevelopment projects will result in new multiple family units



## Housing Unit Projections by Current Attendance Area

| Elementary School Attendance Area (see Map 1) | Housing Units |  |  |  | Housing Unit Increase,$2019-2030$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | January 2019 | 2020 | 2025 | 2030 |  |
| Donges Bay | 3,237 | 3,238 | 3,245 | 3,282 | +45 |
| Oriole Lane | 3,850 | 3,878 | 3,983 | 4,166 | +316 |
| Wilson | 4,455 | 4,801 | 5,108 | 5,330 | +875 |
| Total | 11,542 | 11,917 | 12,336 | 12,778 | +1,236 |

New housing unit growth projected to 'be greater where colors are hotter.


## Housing/Enrollment Projection Relationship

- What happens in existing housing is critical to enrollment
- ~90\% of year 2030 homes are already built
- Future housing will not have as many students as past housing
- More empty nester, senior, multifamily units
- Later and smaller families, lower birth rates
- As a result, most districts need some new housing development to simply maintain steady enrollment


## Student Enrollment Projections

## Enrollment Projections Overview-

 Grades 4K-12 (All Schools)- Between January 2019 and 2030, we project an increase of 384 resident $4 \mathrm{~K}-12$ students in MTSD schools
- Does not include open-enrollment-in/Ch. 220 participation
- Open-enrollment-out \& private/home schooling assumed to continue at similar rates



## Enrollment Projections Overview-

 Grades 4K-12 (All Schools)| School or Grade Grouping | Actual January 2019 $3^{\text {rd }}$ Friday Enrollment |  | MDRoffers Resident Student Enrollment Projections |  |  | Projected <br> Resident Enrollment Change 2019-2030 |
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|  | Students-in-Seats | Resident <br> Students | 2020 | 2025 | 2030 |  |
| Donges Bay Elementary (4K-5) | 460 | 436 | 422 | 411 | 411 | -25 |
| Oriole Lane Elementary (4K-5) | 492 | 484 | 515 | 521 | 530 | +46 |
| Wilson Elementary (4K-5) | 619 | 607 | 655 | 717 | 762 | +155 |
| Grades 4K-5 Total | 1,571 | 1,527 | 1,592 | 1,650 | 1,703 | +176 |
| Lake Shore Middle (6-8) | 384 | 357 | 369 | 395 | 389 | +32 |
| Steffen Middle (6-8) | 466 | 446 | 463 | 495 | 527 | +81 |
| Grades 6-8 Total | 850 | 803 | 833 | 890 | 916 | +113 |
| Homestead High School (9-12) | 1,320 | 1,242 | 1,233 | 1,294 | 1,337 | +95 |
| Grades 4K-12 Total | 3,741 | 3,572 | 3,657 | 3,833 | 3,956 | +384 |

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## Enrollment Projections Overview-

 Grades 4K-12 (All Schools)

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## Enrollment Projections—Grades 4K-5

- Between Jan. 2019 and 2030, we project a 176 resident student enrollment increase in grades 4K-5, totaling 1,703 4K-5 students by 2030
- January 2019 4K-5 resident enrollment was above the elementary schools' combined capacity
- Overcrowding projected to remain an issue through 2030 at Oriole Lane and Wilson if there are no changes


## Grade 4K-5 Projections vs. Combined Elementary Building Capacities



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## Grade 4K-5 Projections vs. Donges Bay Elementary Building Capacity



## Grade 4K-5 Projections vs. Oriole Lane

 Elementary Building Capacity

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## Grade 4K-5 Projections vs. Wilson Elementary Building Capacity



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## Enrollment Projections-Grades 6-8

- Between Jan. 2019 and 2030, we project a 113 student enrollment increase in grades 6-8, totaling 916 resident students by 2030
- Steffen Middle School may approach or exceed capacity by 2030, if no attendance area or other changes are made


## Grade 6-8 Projections vs. Combined Building Capacity



## Grade 6-8 Projections vs. Lake Shore Middle School Capacity



## Grade 6-8 Projections vs. Steffen Middle School Capacity



## Enrollment Projections—Grades 9-12

- Between January 2019 and 2030, we project a 95 resident student enrollment increase in grades 9-12, totaling 1,337 resident students by 2030
- This factors in private school students returning to the MTSD in 9th grade
- Homestead High School is projected to remain under capacity through the projection period


## Projections vs. Capacity—Grades 9-12



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## Enrollment Projections Overview

| Grade <br> Grouping | Actual <br> Resident <br> Enrollment, <br> Jan. 2019 | MDRoffers' Resident Enrollment <br> Projections |  |  | Change, <br> 2019-2030 |
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|  | $\mathbf{2 0 2 0}$ | 2025 | $\mathbf{2 0 3 0}$ |  |  |
| $4 K-5$ | 1,527 | 1,592 | 1,650 | 1,703 | +176 |
| $6-8$ | 803 | 833 | 890 | 916 | +113 |
| $9-12$ | 1,242 | 1,233 | 1,294 | 1,337 | +95 |
| Total 4K-12 | $\mathbf{3 , 5 7 2}$ | $\mathbf{3 , 6 5 7}$ | $\mathbf{3 , 8 3 3}$ | $\mathbf{3 , 9 5 6}$ | $\mathbf{+ 3 8 4}$ |

Compared to APL, these projections most reflect the:

- Baseline Trend for School Year 2020-21
- Kindergarten Trend for School Year 2025-26


## Concluding Observations

## Results Overview

- We project an $11 \%$ increase from:
- 3,572 resident 4K-12 students in January 2019 to...
- ...3,956 resident $4 \mathrm{~K}-12$ students in 2030
- 384 student increase divided as follows:
- 176 more elementary school (4K-5) students
- 113 more middle school (6-8) students
- 95 more high school (9-12) students


## Implications

- Resident 4K-5
enrollment projected to grow at Oriole Lane and Wilson Elementary Schools, exacerbating capacity issues if no changes
- Middle schools may begin to approach capacity by 2030, with greatest stress expected at Steffen Middle School


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[^0]:    Capacity by Learning Area
    $\square$ Capacity by Desired Class Size
    $\rightarrow$-Projected Resident Enrollment
    --- Projected Enrollment with Continuation of 2018-19 OE/Ch. 220

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