## 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



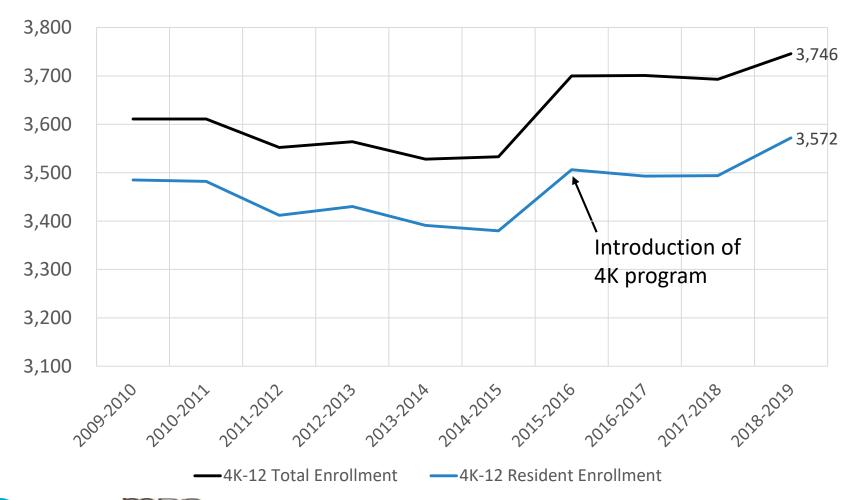
## **Enrollment and Demographic Trends**

#### 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 4K program
  - District has ~160 non-resident students per year through Open-Enrollment-In and Chapter 220
- Total <u>resident</u> MTSD <u>K</u>-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

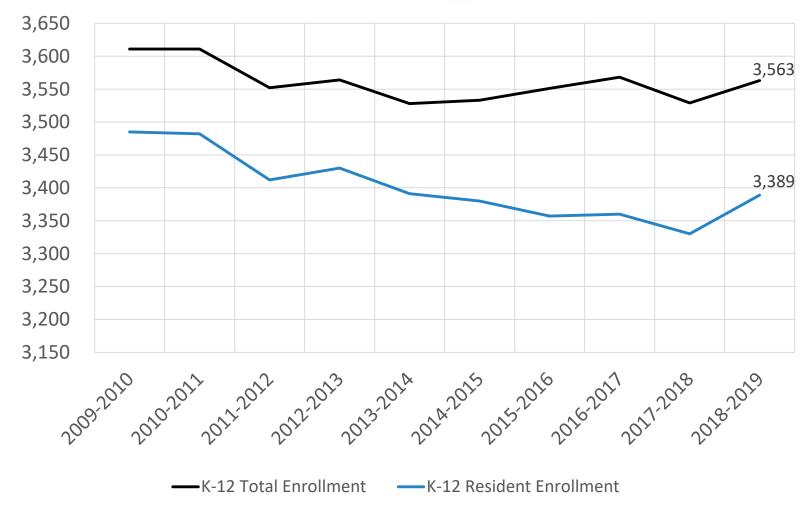


#### 4K Introduction Boosted Enrollment



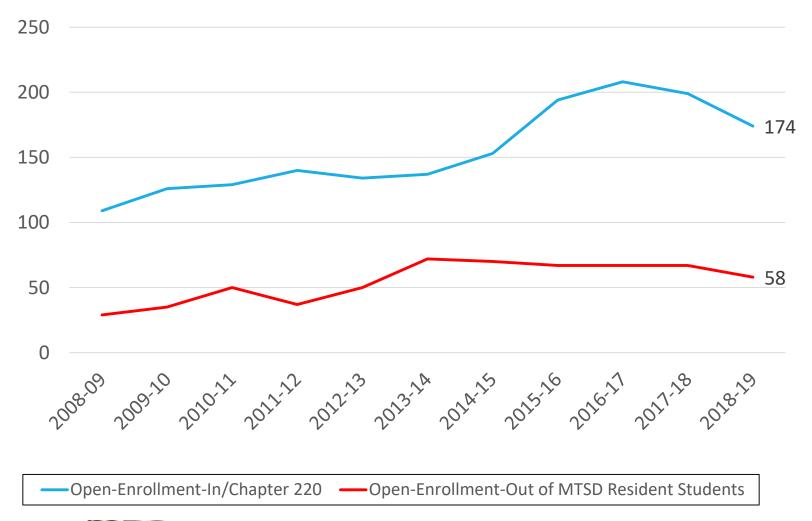


## Slightly Decreasing K-12 Enrollment



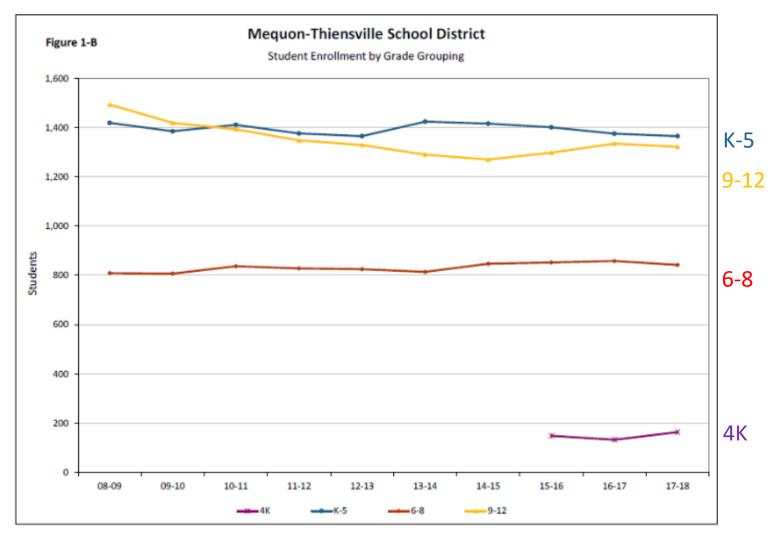


## Recent Increase of Open-Enrollment-In



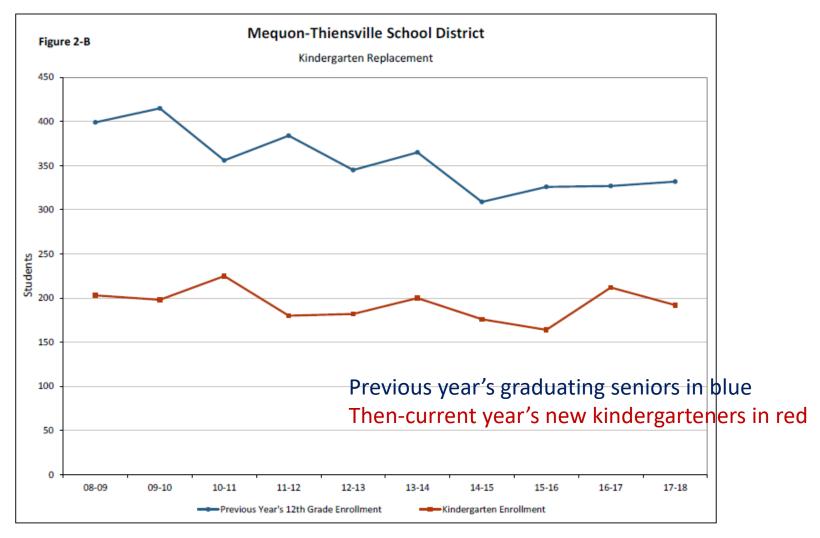


#### Slight Decreases in K-5 and 9-12 Grade Groups



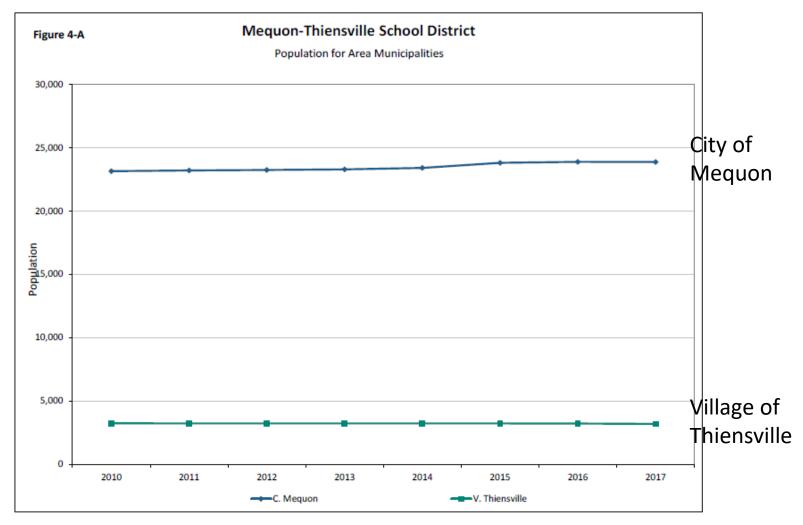


#### Kindergarteners Not Replacing Graduating Seniors



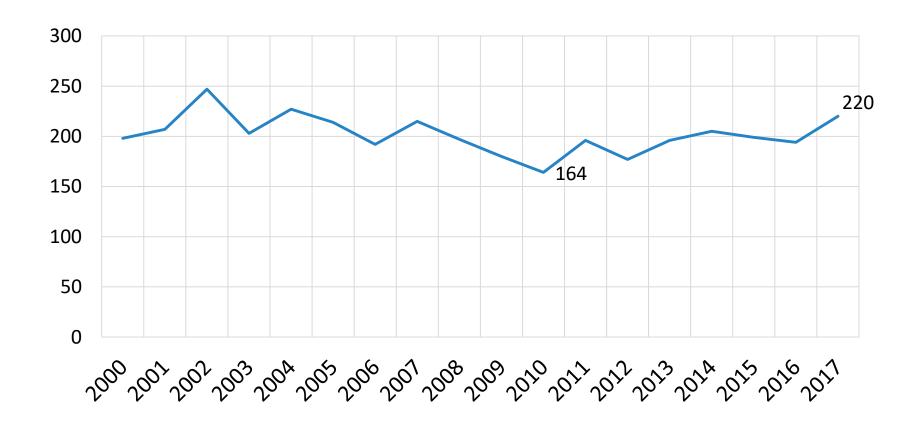


## Steady Municipal Population





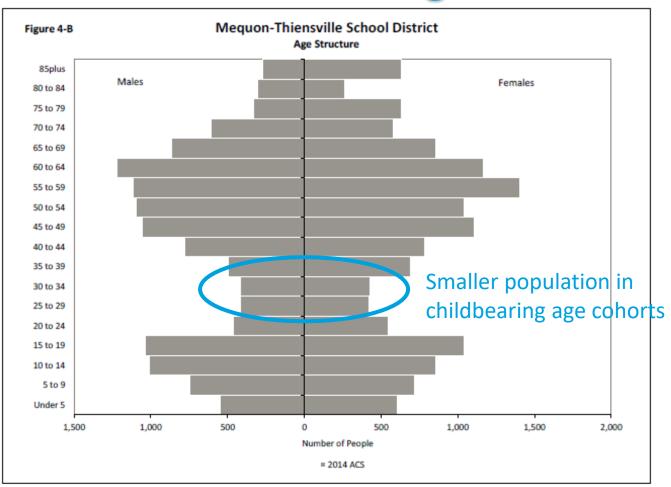
## Steady Numbers of Annual Births...



Source: Wisconsin Department of Health Services, APL



# ...Because Most Adult Residents Have Left Childbearing Years





## **Housing Trends**

## Recent Building Activity

- City of Mequon permitted ~100 new housing units per year between 2010 and 2018
  - Average of ~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 studentsper-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 \$300s 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?

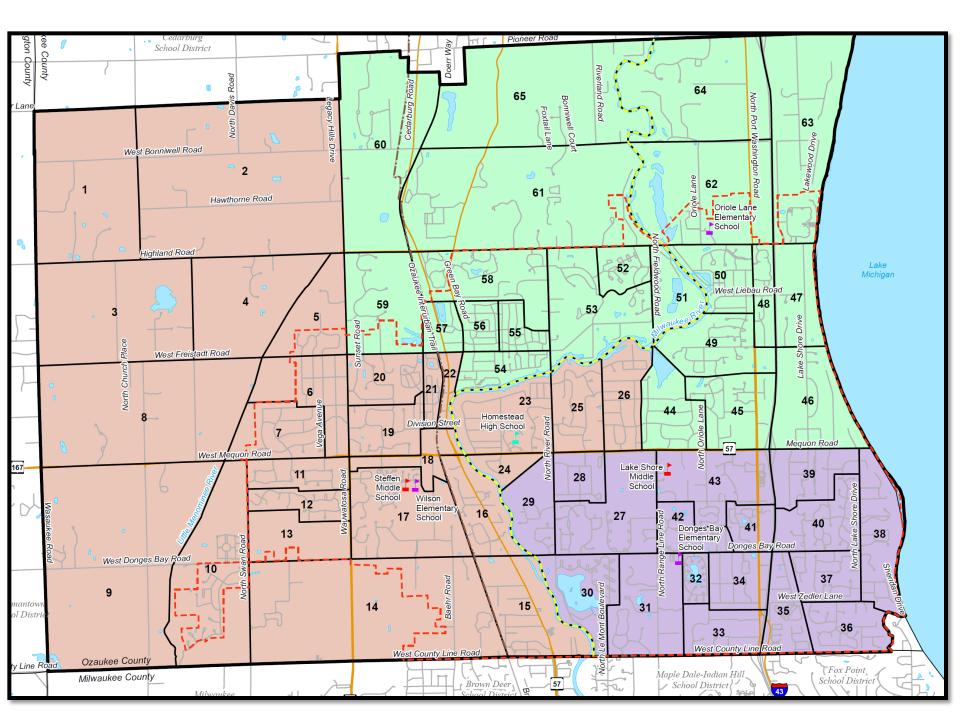


## **Projection Methodology**

## 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**

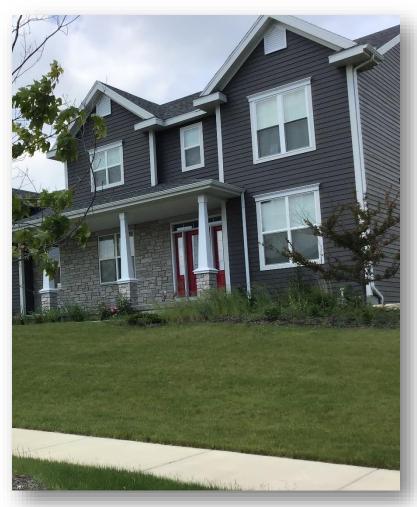
- Determine January 2019 resident 4K-12 student-per-housing unit ratios for each grade group (4K, K-5, 6-8, 9-12) in each neighborhood
- Project 2020, 2025, and 2030 student-per-housing unit ratios for each grade group in each neighborhood by:
  - Reviewing birth rates and aging students through grade 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 house<u>hold</u> projections made by DOA and SEWRPC for the same time period





## Housing Projections Rationale

- Projected ~107 housing units per year is similar to ~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 crisis significant recession would set back projections



## Housing Projections by Housing Type

- City of Mequon projected to add ~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

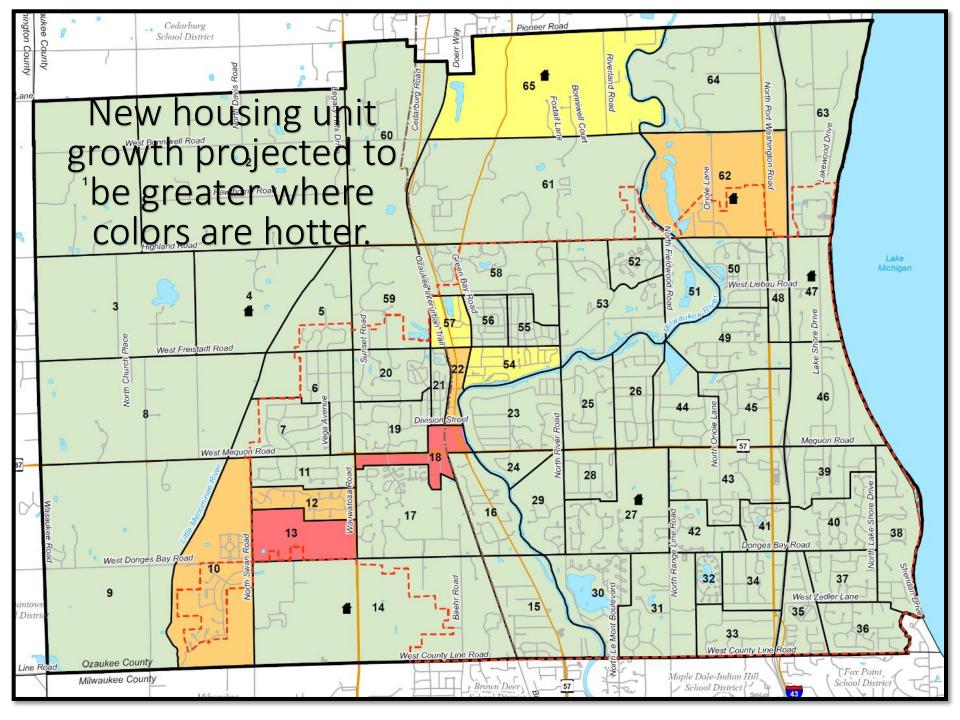




# Housing Unit Projections by Current Attendance Area

Elementary School		Housing Unit				
Attendance Area (see Map 1)	January 2019	2020	2025	2030	Increase, 2019 – 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	





### 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 <u>resident</u> 4K-12 students in MTSD schools
  - Does not include openenrollment-in/Ch. 220 participation
  - Open-enrollment-out & private/home schooling assumed to continue at similar rates



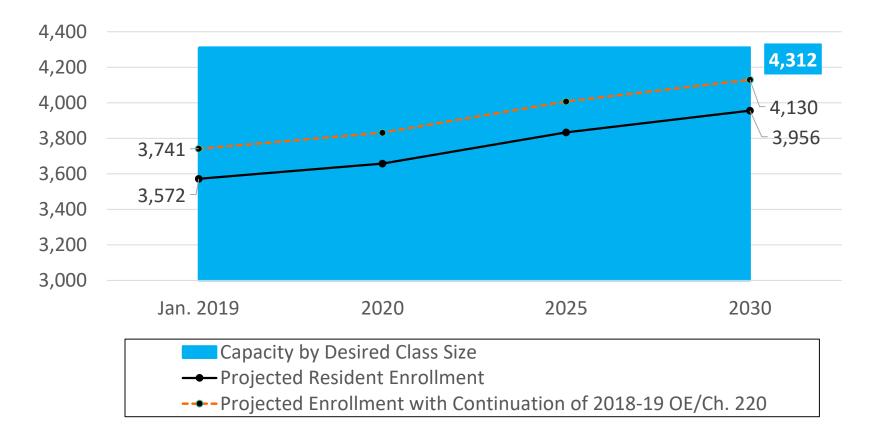


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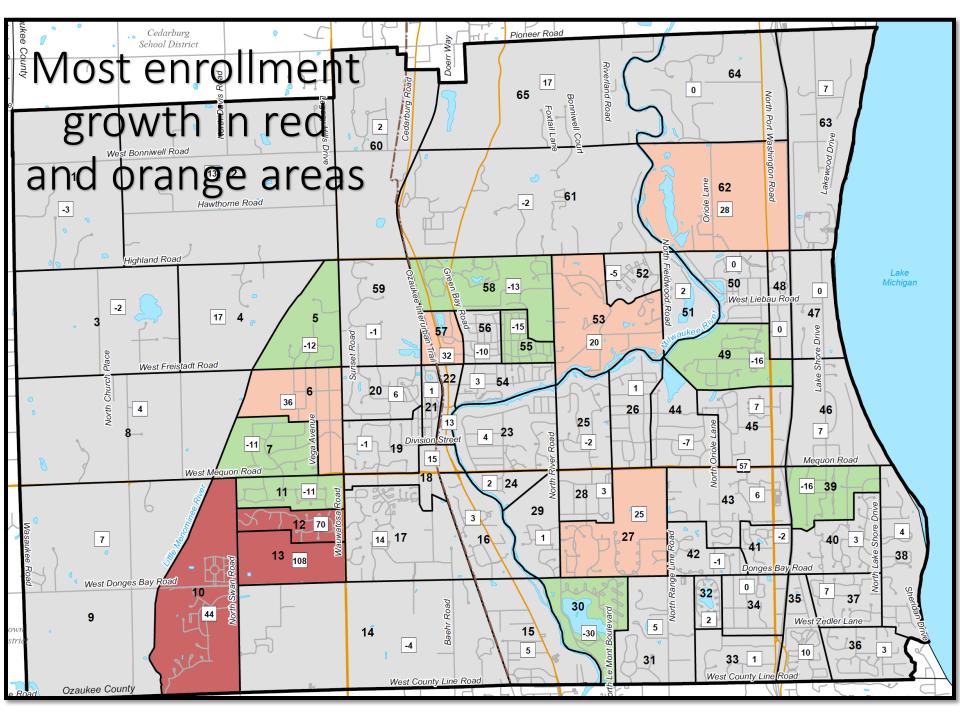
School or Grade Grouping	Actual January 2019 3 <sup>rd</sup> Friday Enrollment		MDRoffers Resident Student Enrollment Projections			Projected Resident Enrollment
	Students- in-Seats	Resident Students	2020	2025	2030	Change 2019-2030
Donges Bay Elementary (4K-5)	460	436	422	411	411	-25
Oriole Lane Elementary (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



### Enrollment Projections Overview— Grades 4K-12 (All Schools)





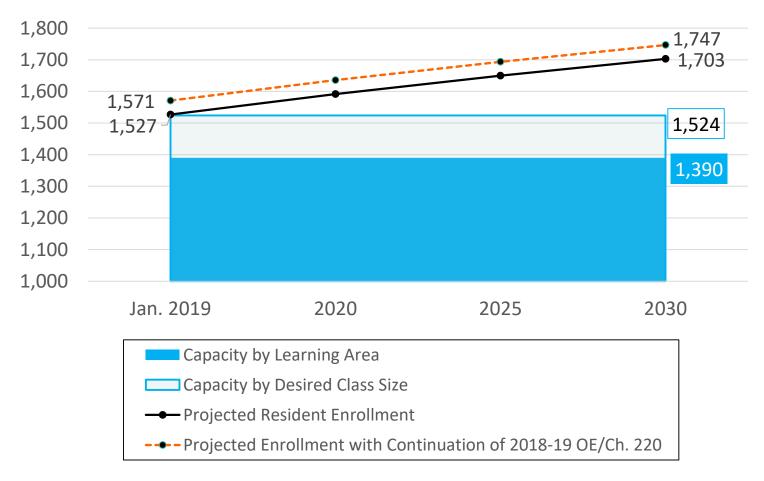


#### Enrollment Projections—Grades 4K-5

- 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

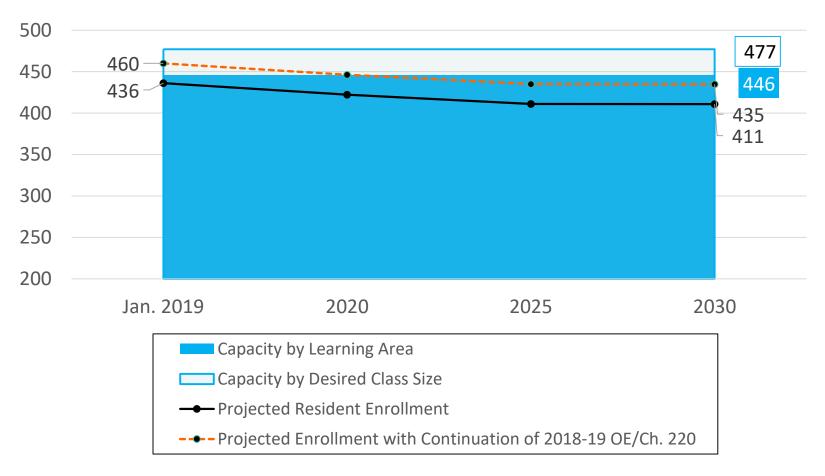


# Grade 4K-5 Projections vs. Combined Elementary Building Capacities



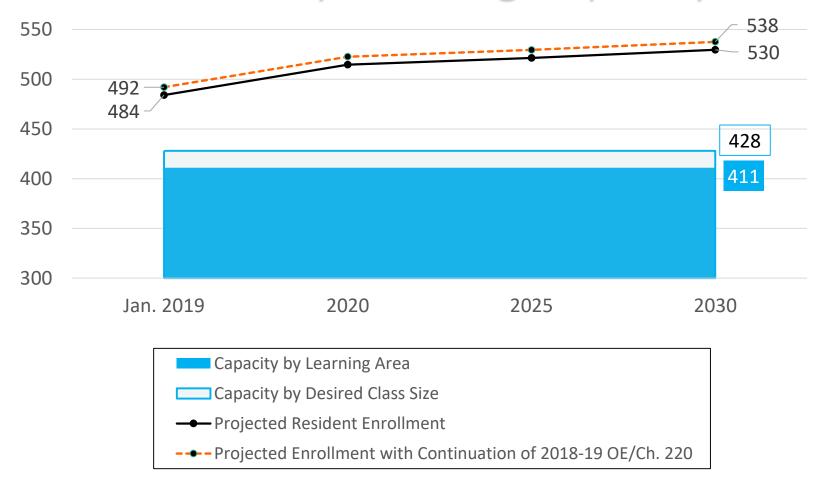


## Grade 4K-5 Projections vs. Donges Bay Elementary Building Capacity



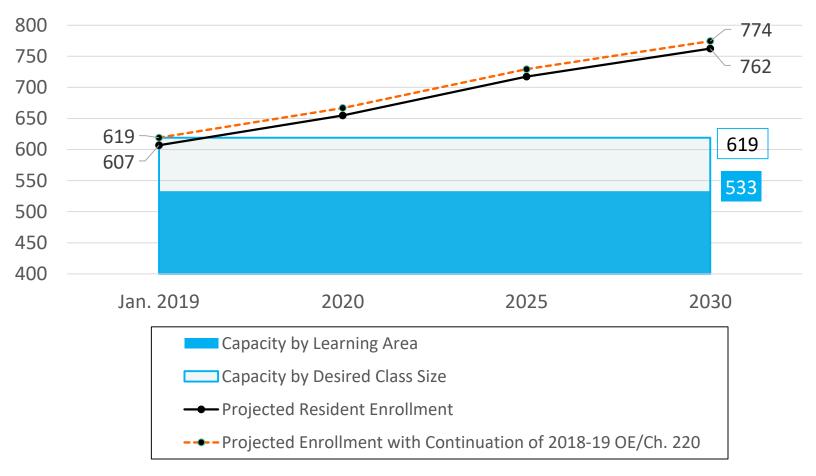


### Grade 4K-5 Projections vs. Oriole Lane Elementary Building Capacity





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



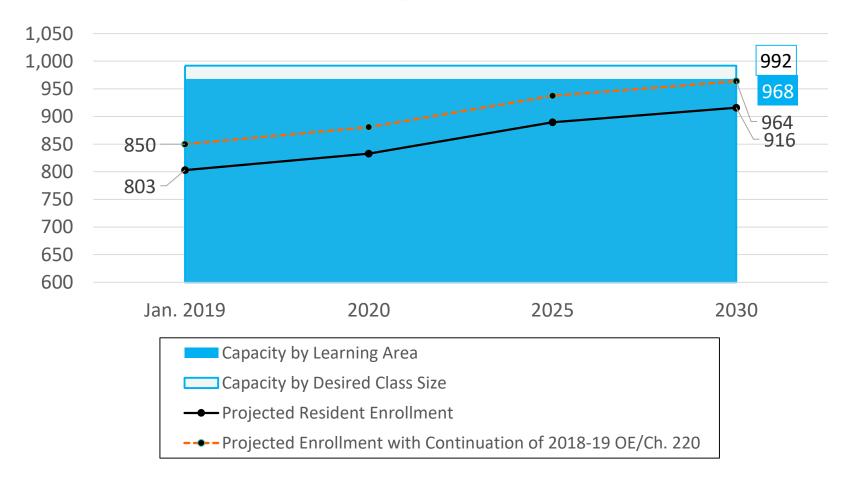


#### Enrollment Projections—Grades 6-8

- 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

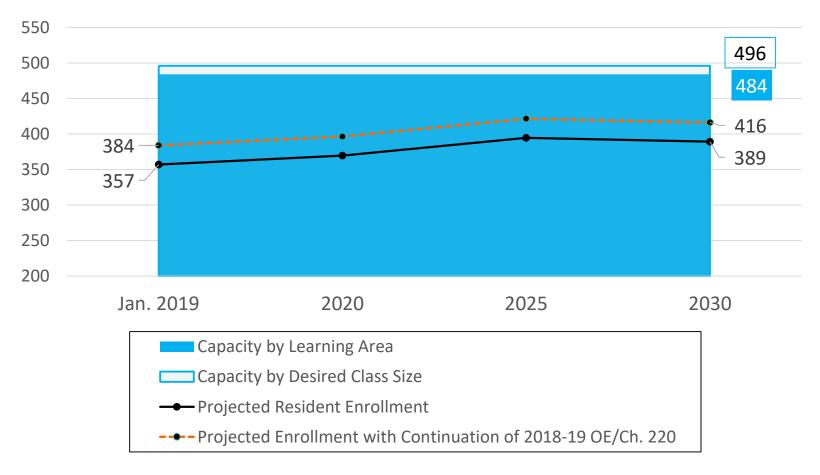


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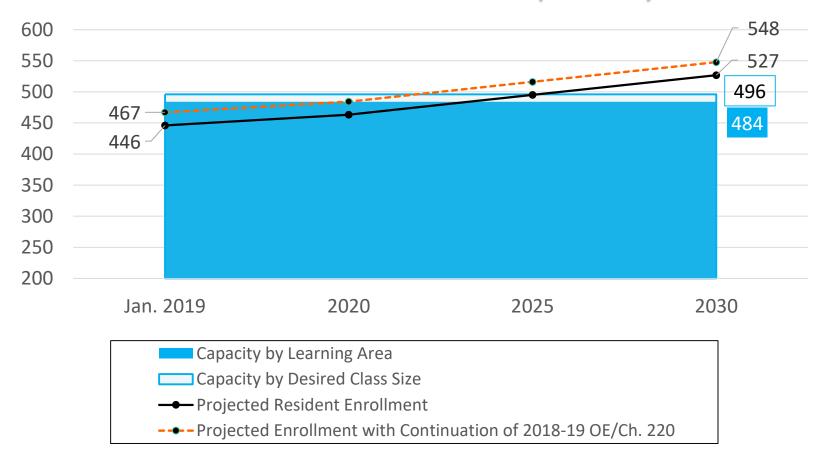


### Grade 6-8 Projections vs. Lake Shore Middle School Capacity





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



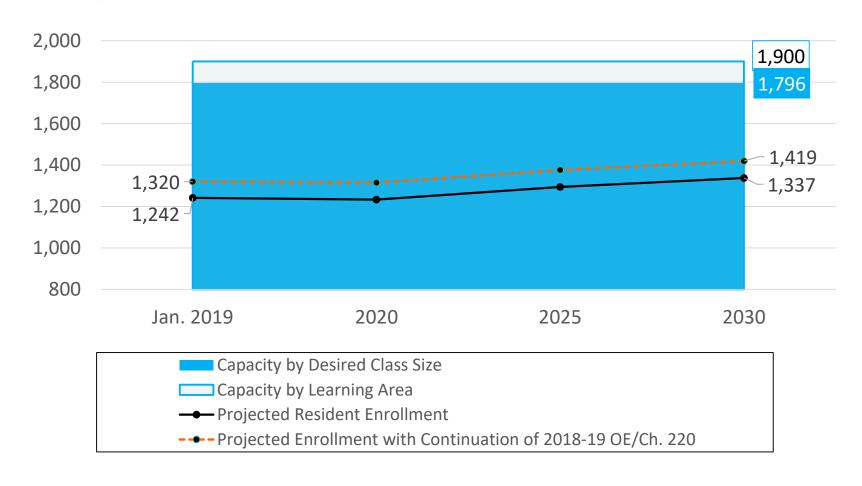


#### Enrollment Projections—Grades 9-12

- 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





#### **Enrollment Projections Overview**

Grade Grouping	Actual Resident Enrollment, Jan. 2019	MDRoffers' <u>Resident</u> Enrollment Projections			Change, 2019-2030
		2020	2025	2030	
4K-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	3,572	3,657	3,833	3,956	+384

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 4K-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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