

BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE

Long-range Facility Planning



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The Challenge

Over the next 10 years

- More than 3,500 potential new K-12 students
- Growth due to housing and turnover rates
- Most of the growth is expected to occur at the secondary level
- 11 percent growth since 2009



The Challenge

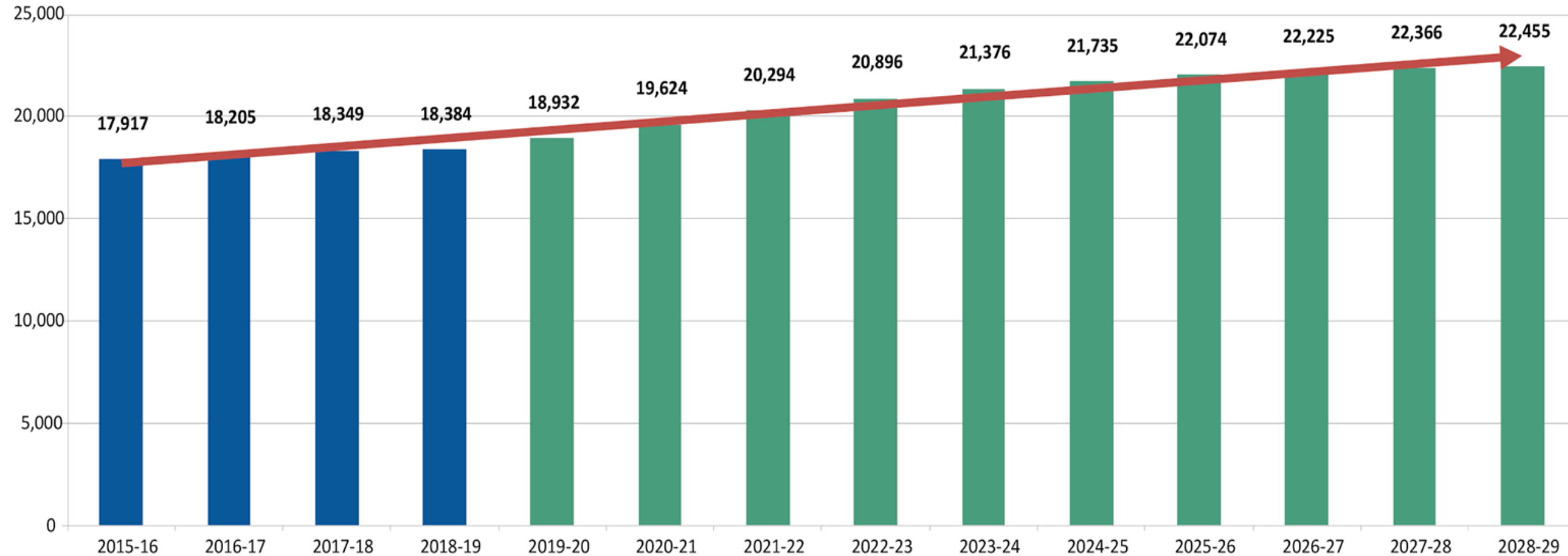
2015 Special Election

- **Question 1:** passed to provide an increase to general fund revenue
- **Question 2:** passed to construct new Oltman Middle School
- **Question 3: failed** for additions and improvements to existing high school and elementary sites
 - The needs for space and improvements have not gone away
 - Overcrowding at all grade levels
 - Higher than average rates of students staying in our district
 - Cities are growing with consistent issuance of home permits



The Challenge - Projected Enrollment

South Washington County Schools K-12 Projected Enrollment - 2019-2029



The Challenge - Capacity vs. Growth

Elementary Schools (PreK-5)

| Existing K-5 Capacity | Projected K-5 Enrollment (10 years) |
|-----------------------------|---|
| 10,116 in-district students | 9,443 in-district students |
| | Pre-K enrollments expected to increase by 1,500+ |

- **Districtwide:** There is enough room for all elementary students within 10 years.
- Not all schools are experiencing the same amount of growth



The Challenge - Capacity vs. Growth

Elementary Schools (PreK-5)

- Pine Hill Elementary and Grey Cloud Elementary **expected to exceed capacity in less than five years**
- Bailey Elementary, Grey Cloud Elementary, Pine Hill Elementary, Red Rock Elementary and Woodbury Elementary are most in need for additional space
- 1960's elementary schools need additional bathrooms
- Without additions to existing buildings, substantial boundary changes are needed



The Challenge - Capacity vs. Growth

Middle Schools (6-8)

| Existing Capacity | Projected Enrollment (10 years) |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 5,082 in-district students | 5,238 in-district students |

- Boundary changes would not be enough for projected growth
- Cottage Grove Middle currently has space and could help ease immediate growth
- Oltman Middle School was built for additions and would be adequate for projected enrollment



The Challenge - Capacity vs. Growth

High Schools (9-12)

| Existing Capacity | Projected Enrollment (10 years) |
|---|--|
| <p>5,993 in-district students</p> <p>120 South Washington Alternative High School</p> <p>6,113 Total</p> | <p>7,620 in-district students</p> |



The Challenge - Capacity vs. Growth

High Schools (9-12)

- Significant needs at Park High School, Woodbury High School and South Washington Alternative High School
- Overcrowding already happening
- Boundary changes alone are not enough to help
- All high schools expected to exceed 2,000 students each by 2021-22 school year



FACILITY PLANNING PROCESS

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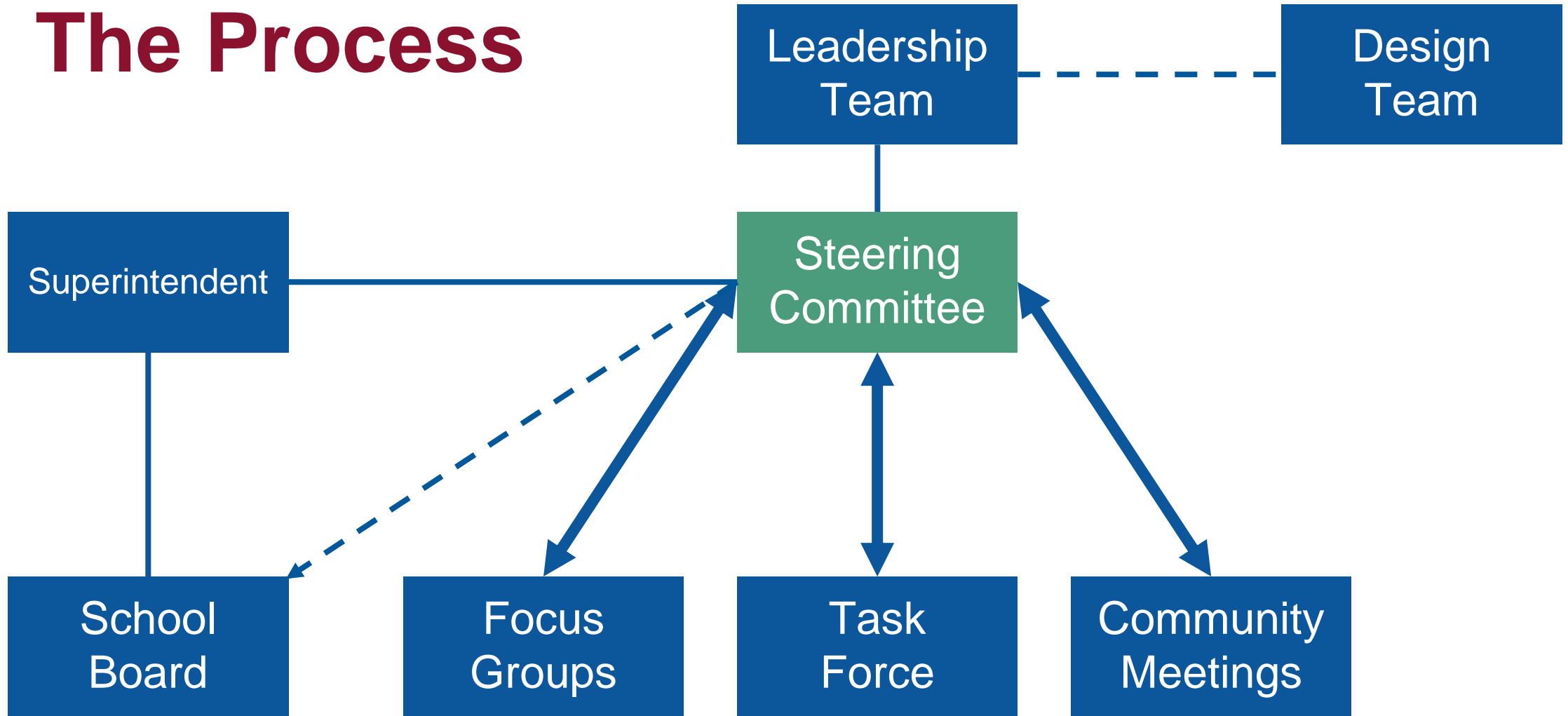


The Purpose

- To achieve the best possible learning environment for students
- Ensure adequate classroom space at all grade levels and appropriate space for early learning, Pre-K, adult education and special education
- Design equitable learning spaces and consistent programming at the elementary, middle and high school level
- Determine facility modifications to existing school buildings to address changes in curriculum or advancements in personalized learning methods



The Process



The Process - So Far

- A variety of options reviewed and narrowed down by the Task Force
- Steering Committee, Leadership Team and the Design Team made several adjustments based on feedback
- Task Force provided input on two secondary plans and two elementary plans
- Now we're gathering feedback on each of those plans through focus groups, targeted input and community meetings



ELEMENTARY PLANS

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Elementary Plans

Renovations and Additions: Consolidate Two Schools

- This plan accommodates growth through renovations and additions at school sites with the greatest limits on space for students.
- Two elementary school sites would be consolidated and repurposed for other uses.

Total
\$77,144,149

- **Elementary School:** Capacity increase from 10,116 to 10,435



Elementary Plans

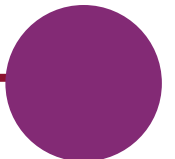
New Elementary School: Consolidate Two Schools

- This plan includes construction of a new elementary school to be centrally located within the District.
- Renovations and additions would occur at several other elementary schools.
- Two elementary school sites would be consolidated and repurposed for other uses.

Total

\$85,831,672

- **Elementary School:** Capacity increase from 10,116 to 10,480



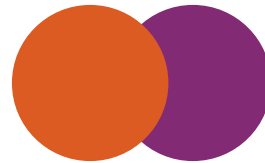
Elementary Plans

Modernization

- Applies to all elementary plans
- The projects are based on needs identified by the school sites

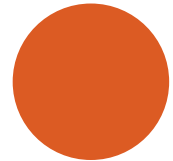
Total
\$81,075,897

Modernization



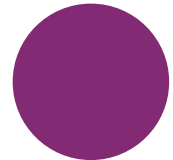
Total
\$158,220,046

Modernization + Renovations and Additions



Total
\$166,907,569

Modernization + New Elementary School



SECONDARY PLANS

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Secondary Plans

Middle Schools and District Sites

- Applies to both secondary plans and is included in costs
- Improvements and renovations at all middle schools
- New construction for transportation
- Renovate District Services Center for sole administration use



Secondary Plans

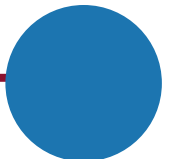
Expansion for Balanced Growth

- This plan expands all current high schools for a balanced approach to student growth
- Additional construction and renovations will take place at the district's alternative high school, district service sites and all middle schools

Total

\$277,808,848

- **Middle School:** Capacity increase from 5,082 to **5,382**
- **High School:** Capacity increase from 5,995 to **7,515**
- **Alternative High School:** Capacity increase from 120 to **300**



Secondary Plans

Adding a Fourth High School

- This plan would make the student population at each high school approximately the same size
- Middle school students are matched to their high school through a middle school feeder system
- Additional construction and renovations will take place at the district's alternative high school, district service sites and all middle schools

Total

\$424,788,953

- **Middle School:** Capacity increase from 5,082 to **5,382**
- **High School:** Capacity increase from 5,995 to **7,795**
- **Alternative High School:** Capacity increase from 120 to **300**



Timeline

| Dates | Tasks |
|------------------|--|
| February 2020 | Gather targeted feedback from advisory groups, school staff and city officials |
| March 2020 | Explore financing options (potential bond referendum) |
| April 2020 | Conduct community and taxpayer survey |
| May-June 2020 | Gather feedback through community meetings |
| December 2020 | Begin bond referendum information campaign |
| February 9, 2021 | Special election |



Questions?

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