



FACILITY USAGE

Livingston Public Schools

November 21, 2011

AGENDA

○ Demographics

- Facility capacities and usage
- Elementary school pupil assignment
- Projected and current enrollment

○ Areas of Need

- Large instructional space with no air conditioning
- Media Centers at Collins, Harrison and Riker Hill
- Alternative High School location and facility



STRATEGIC PLAN STRAND 6 – FACILITIES

○ Strategic Goals

- To provide and maintain schools that offer a safe and supportive climate for teaching and learning, are compliant with the American Disabilities Act and are environmentally sustainable
 - Maintain, replace and/or renew facilities, grounds and other capital resources in an equitable manner
- To establish a *Facility Utilization Plan* to ensure appropriate facilities are available for an inclusionary special education program, the alternative high school and pre-school P.R.I.D.E. (Preschool Readiness Individualized Developmental Education) program
 - Establish/reconfigure space to provide appropriate environments for emerging programs and technological needs



FACILITY CAPACITY USAGE

- Currently all classroom space in each elementary building is being utilized
 - All elementary buildings are utilizing a computer lab, art room and music room
- MPMS, HMS and LHS have sufficient capacity for the long term future



SOFT BORDERS - HISTORY

- In January of 2005, a focus group was put together to study the issues of a growing elementary school enrollment and where to educate students
- The group examined options generated by the school administration to determine their viability
- Concern was not enough sections in some buildings to handle the number of incoming students
- Decision was made to establish guidelines on how to redistrict all incoming kindergarteners in the event that all available space had been utilized in a particular school



SOFT BORDERS – REASSIGNING INCOMING STUDENTS

- New Kindergarteners that have siblings in the elementary school and would be there simultaneously would not be reassigned
- Criteria to be utilized in determining reassignment:
 - Safety
 - Balance of class sizes
 - Transportation
 - Location
 - Space Availability
- New assignment for those students would be permanent
- Parents to be notified by June 1st as to Kindergarten placement



SOFT BORDERS – REASSIGNING INCOMING STUDENTS (CONT'D)

- Reassigns a small number of students that have not attended school and has the least impact on the majority of people
- Allows all schools to have a computer lab, art room and music room



SOFT BORDERS

NUMBER OF STUDENTS AFFECTED

Year	Grade Level	Schools Affected
2007-2008	20 – Kindergarten 1 – Grade 1	HIL to BH and MPE
2008-2009	20 - Kindergarten	HIL to BH, HAR, MPE and RH COL to MPE MPE to RH
2009-2010	13 - Kindergarten	HIL to BH and RH MPE to BH and RH
2010-2011	18 - Kindergarten 5 - Grade 1 1 - Grade 4	MPE to COL, HAR and RH HAR to HIL
2011-2012	12 – Kindergarten 5 – Grade 1 1 – Grade 2 1 – Grade 5	MPE to BH, COL HIL to COL RH to HIL



DEMOGRAPHIC STUDY (PAST AND PRESENT)

- The demographic study completed in 2005 predicted elementary schools capacity issues would be resolved by 2009-2010
- The demographic study completed in 2010 showed the trend is for stable or slightly declining enrollment
 - In fact, 2010-2011 Kindergarten 10.3% higher and 2011-2012 Kindergarten 14% higher than projected



STUDENT ENROLLMENT PROJECTIONS

School Year	Births 5 Yrs. Ago	PK 4 yr	K	1st Gr.	2nd Gr.	3rd Gr.	4th Gr.	5th Gr.	6th Gr.	7th Gr.	8th Gr.	9th Gr.	10th Gr.	11th Gr.	12th Gr.	SELF-CONTAINED SPECIAL EDUCATION PK K-5 6-8 9-12				DISTRICT TOTAL
PROJECTIONS																				
2010-11	309	5	358	402	460	446	420	451	439	461	460	474	434	396	447	41	28	0	0	5724
2011-12	288	5	334	371	416	466	453	425	471	444	466	469	480	436	393	41	28	0	0	5698
2012-13	290	5	336	346	385	421	472	458	443	476	449	475	475	481	433	41	28	0	0	5726
2013-14	288	5	334	349	359	390	427	478	478	448	482	457	481	476	478	41	28	0	0	5711
2014-15	281	5	325	346	361	363	395	433	499	483	453	490	463	482	473	41	28	0	0	5641
NET DEVEL IMPACT		0	14	15	16	17	18	18	19	19	19	19	19	19	18	2	0	1	0	233
2014-15 TOTAL		5	339	361	378	380	413	451	518	502	472	510	482	501	491	42	28	1	0	5874



CURRENT ENROLLMENT

School	No. Sections	K	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5
BH	17	60	46	66	65	67	65
COL	18	64	70	68	70	71	64
HAR	22	66	71	89	88	97	98
HIL	18	62	70	62	67	75	62
MPE	19	66	68	70	71	83	65
RH	<u>19</u>	<u>63</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>64</u>	<u>92</u>	<u>63</u>	<u>64</u>
Totals	113	381	395	419	453	456	418

As of October 13, 2011



BALANCE POINTS

- Demographic studies project the trend but all projections have been too low
- All Elementary Schools just now reaching 100% capacity
 - Redistricting not viable
- 129 Special Education students are assigned out of district
- Current Kindergartener reassignment is emotional for some parents
- Is the economic climate conducive to long term solutions? (construction/increasing ES capacity)



ELIMINATING SOFT BORDERS

○ Alternative 1

- Increase class size
- Class size disparity between schools

○ Alternative 2

- All available classroom space could be utilized
- Affects computer labs, art and music rooms
- Limited classroom space for the return of Special Education students to base schools
- Increase to budget by hiring of staff



OTHER AREAS OF NEED

- LHS Referendum – Uncompleted Items
 - Decision to provide air condition for all areas except old main gym (\$500,000)
 - Several roofs were not part of the renovation (\$600,000)
- Elementary Schools/Middle Schools
 - Air condition gyms (\$2,000,000)
 - Enlarge and improve Media Centers at Collins, Harrison and Riker Hill
 - Additional elementary classroom space for instruction
- Alternative High School
 - New Location
 - Renovate Monmouth Court (\$2,000,000)



ALTERNATIVE HIGH SCHOOL

- Alternative High School – Location Options
 - Monmouth Court
 - LHS
 - Other town or lease facilities (Recreation Building, Senior Community Center, Municipal Complex)



ALTERNATIVE HIGH SCHOOL MONMOUTH COURT

- Monmouth Court – Pro's
 - Close but separate facility from LHS
 - Built as a school
 - Has a gym for Physical Education instruction
- Monmouth Court – Con's
 - Not owned by Livingston Public Schools
 - Facility built in 1950s with no renovations
 - Electrical service deficient
 - No compliance with ADA
 - Heating unit is very old; no air conditioning
 - Many cosmetic issues from age, floors, paint, doors, etc.

