



City School District of Albany



Grade Configuration Steering Committee Facilities Presentation

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Phase I Recommendations Relating to Facilities

- ➔ Grades 6-8 is the ideal middle-school configuration
- ➔ The district needs a third middle school by 2017-18 to accommodate growing middle-school enrollment
- ➔ The new middle school will have an interim enrollment pattern for 3-5 years pending long-term middle-school recommendations from Phase 2 of the committee's work
- ➔ The interim third middle school to open in 2017-18 will be at 50 North Lark St., serving families on the north side of the city



Planned 2017-18 Elementary Grade Configurations

- ➔ In moving toward the goal of equitable 6-8 middle schools, some sixth grades will be moved from elementary schools in 2017-18; North Albany's 6-8 will move as well.

| Elementary Schools | 2016-17 | 2017-18 | | | | | |
|---|----------------|----------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Arbor Hill | Pre-K - 6 | Pre-K - 5 | | | | | |
| North Albany | Pre-K - 8 | Pre-K - 5 | | | | | |
| Pine Hills | Pre-K - 6 | Pre-K - 5 | | | | | |
| The remaining elementary schools with sixth grades in 2017-18 will be ASH, Eagle Point, Giffen and TOAST. | | | | | | | |
| Middle Schools | 2016-17 | 2017-18 | | | | | |
| West Hill/395 Elk | 7 - 8 | Alt Ed (7-12) | | | | | |
| 50 North Lark | Alt Ed (7-12) | 6 - 8 | | | | | |
| Hackett | 6 - 8 | 6 - 8 | | | | | |
| Myers | 6 - 8 | 6 - 8 | | | | | |

Demographic Study

The table below displays two-year intervals through the 2025-26 school year.

| Demographic Study (Dec. 2015) | Year 2017-18 | Year 2019-20 | Year 2021-22 | Year 2023-24 | Year 2025-26 |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 6th Grade Population | 669 | 720 | 686 | 700 | 716 |
| 7th Grade Population | 766 | 760 | 782 | 733 | 758 |
| 8th Grade Population | 697 | 757 | 815 | 777 | 793 |
| * Total 6-8 Projected Enrollment | 2,132 | 2,237 | 2,283 | 2,210 | 2,267 |
| Notes: | | | | | |
| * The total numbers assume that all sixth grades are removed from elementary buildings. | | | | | |
| -As of 10/31/2016 the sixth-grade population in elementary buildings is 378. | | | | | |

The Presentation

- The “what if” scenarios about to be presented are provided for the purpose of prompting discussions to support the Grade Configuration Steering Committee’s work on future middle-school enrollment as it relates to facilities.
- These “what if” scenarios are not being provided to limit discussions.
- There are no grade-configuration changes that can be made for 2017-18 school year due to the extensive lead time required to make changes. The Board has already designed 50 North Lark Street as the third interim middle school for the next 3-5 years.
- This Committee will be making recommendations for a long-term solution for middle school enrollment solutions. Some solutions may require capital projects which require an extended process and timeline.



Scenario #1

| Scenario #1 - Continue to use buildings as already planned for 2017-18 | Seats 2017-18 | Seats 2019-20 | Seats 2021-22 | Seats 2023-24 | Seats 2025-26 |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Myers Middle School | 675 | 675 | 675 | 675 | 675 |
| Hackett Middle School | 650 | 650 | 650 | 650 | 650 |
| 50 North Lark 6-8 | 600 | 600 | 600 | 600 | 600 |
| North Albany (planned pre-K - 5 instead of pre-K - 8) | - | - | - | - | - |
| West Hill Middle School/395 Elk (planned Alt. Ed.) | - | - | - | - | - |
| Projected (Shortage) of 6-8 seats | (207) | (312) | (358) | (285) | (342) |

Notes:

** Assumes all sixth grades are removed from elementary buildings, which would not be possible as indicated by (shortage) above.*

-As of 10/31/2016, the sixth-grade population in elementary buildings is 378.

-The actual 50 North Lark enrollment is projected to be about 350 in 2017-18 and grow to about 600 in 2019-20.

-This scenario does NOT meet the plan requirements of seating all middle-school students in a 6-8 setting.



Scenario #2

| Scenario #2 - Assumes North Albany becomes a fourth middle school | Seats 2017-18 | Seats 2019-20 | Seats 2021-22 | Seats 2023-24 | Seats 2025-26 |
|---|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Myers Middle School | 675 | 675 | 675 | 675 | 675 |
| Hackett Middle School | 650 | 650 | 650 | 650 | 650 |
| 50 North Lark Middle School | 600 | 600 | 600 | 600 | 600 |
| What if North Albany became a middle school | 400 | 400 | 400 | 400 | 400 |
| West Hill MS/395 Elk becomes Alt Ed | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Projected\ Excess Capacity of Seats | 193 | 88 | 42 | 115 | 58 |

-Arbor Hill Elementary would have to be renovated to absorb North Albany's elementary population of 280 students.

This would put Arbor Hill at 665 students unless some of the six sections of pre-K were moved out.

-North Albany would also need some renovations to be a comparable MS (cafeteria, science , labs, music, FACS, etc.).

-Preliminary cost estimate: Arbor Hill renovation for elementary (\$5 million) and North Albany (\$5 million for MS development). Total \$10 million construction costs plus \$1 million annually for staffing a fourth MS.

- No auditorium at North Albany currently or after the renovation.



Scenario #3

| Scenario #3 - Create a third large middle school at Arbor Hill and 50 North Lark becomes an elementary building | Seats 2017-18 | Seats 2019-20 | Seats 2021-22 | Seats 2023-24 | Seats 2025-26 |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Myers Middle School | 700 | 700 | 700 | 700 | 700 |
| Hackett Middle School | 675 | 675 | 675 | 675 | 675 |
| What if 50 North Lark becomes ES | - | - | - | - | - |
| North Albany (pre-K - 5) | - | - | - | - | - |
| West Hill MS/395 Elk is Alt Ed | - | - | - | - | - |
| What if Arbor Hill becomes large MS | 800 | 800 | 800 | 800 | 800 |
| Projected (Shortage) of 6-8 seats | 43 | (62) | (108) | (35) | (92) |

-Arbor Hill would have to be expanded via renovation to take North Albany's 280 elementary students.

In order to do so, some pre-K classrooms may have to be moved out.

-Myers and Hackett would need to increase student load by 25 seats each.

-Preliminary cost estimate: develop Arbor Hill as an 800-student middle school, \$30 million.



Other Building Considerations

| Planned Middle Schools 2017-18 | Square Footage | Enrollment Capacity | Sq. Ft. per Student |
|--------------------------------|----------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Myers Middle School | 139,632 | 675 | 207 |
| Hackett Middle School | 149,636 | 650 | 230 |
| 50 North Lark (interim) | 89,551 | 600 | 149 |

| Other Buildings on North End or Large in Size | Square Footage | Enrollment Capacity | Sq. Ft. per Student |
|--|----------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| North Albany (planned pre-K-5, under capacity) | 87,700 | 450 | 195 |
| West Hill Middle School/395 Elk (planned for Alt Ed) | 54,088 | 250 | 216 |
| *Arbor Hill (pre-K-5, under capacity plus ability to expand) | 192,300 | 550 | 350 |
| ASH (currently pre-K-6) | 123,770 | 550 | 225 |
| Giffen (currently pre-K-6) | 135,484 | 550 | 246 |

-Arbor Hill has undeveloped space equal to 15%-20% of the building.

-The actual 50 North Lark enrollment is projected to be 350 in 2017-18 and grow to 600 by 2019-20.

Discussion and Next Steps

- ❑ Discussion – Questions – Comments