

**PLAN FOR
ADDRESSING THE INCREASING
ENROLLMENT AT
LAKE MURRAY ELEMENTARY**



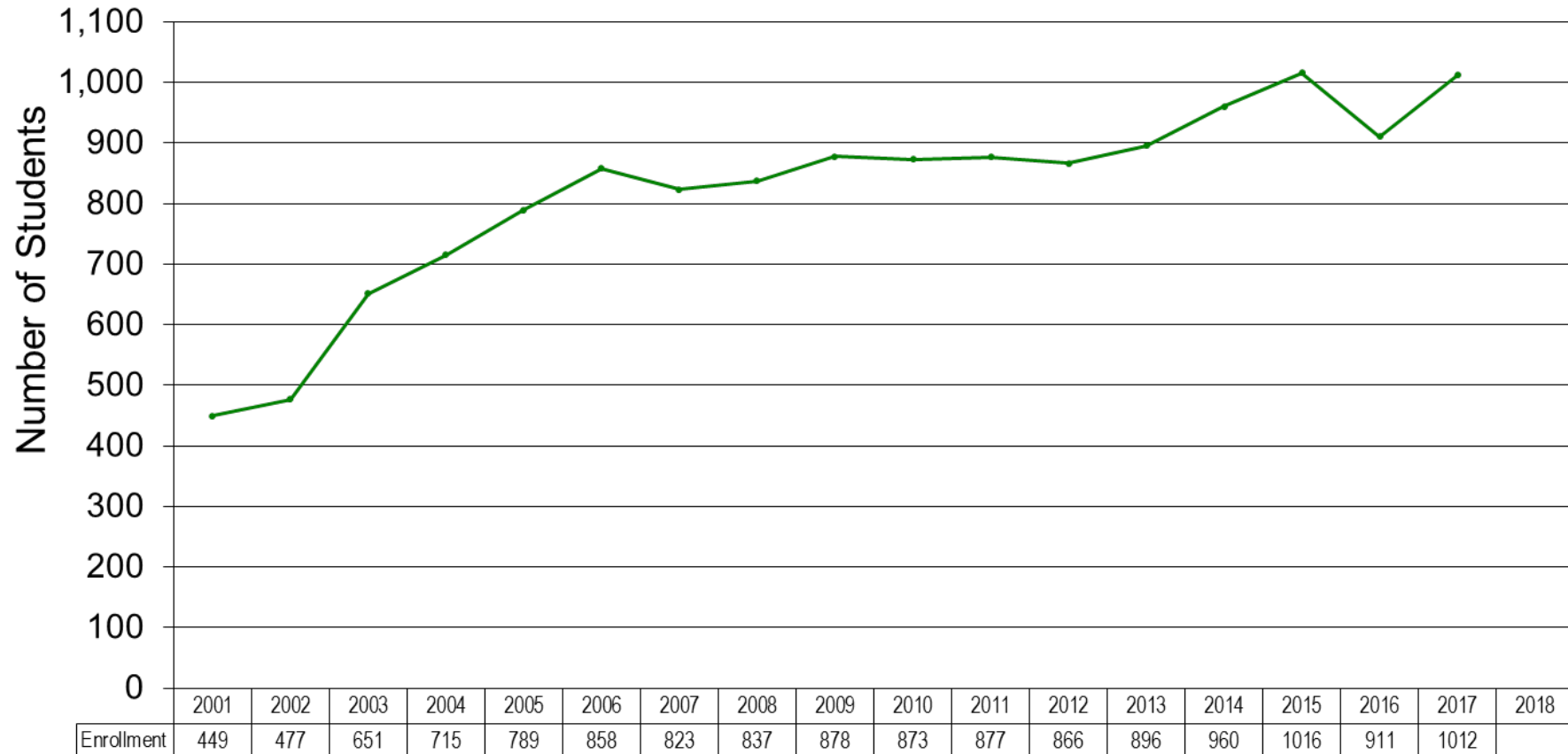
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THE PROBLEM:

The number of students in the LMES attendance area continues to increase.

Lake Murray Elementary School 135th Day Enrollment 2001 – 2017

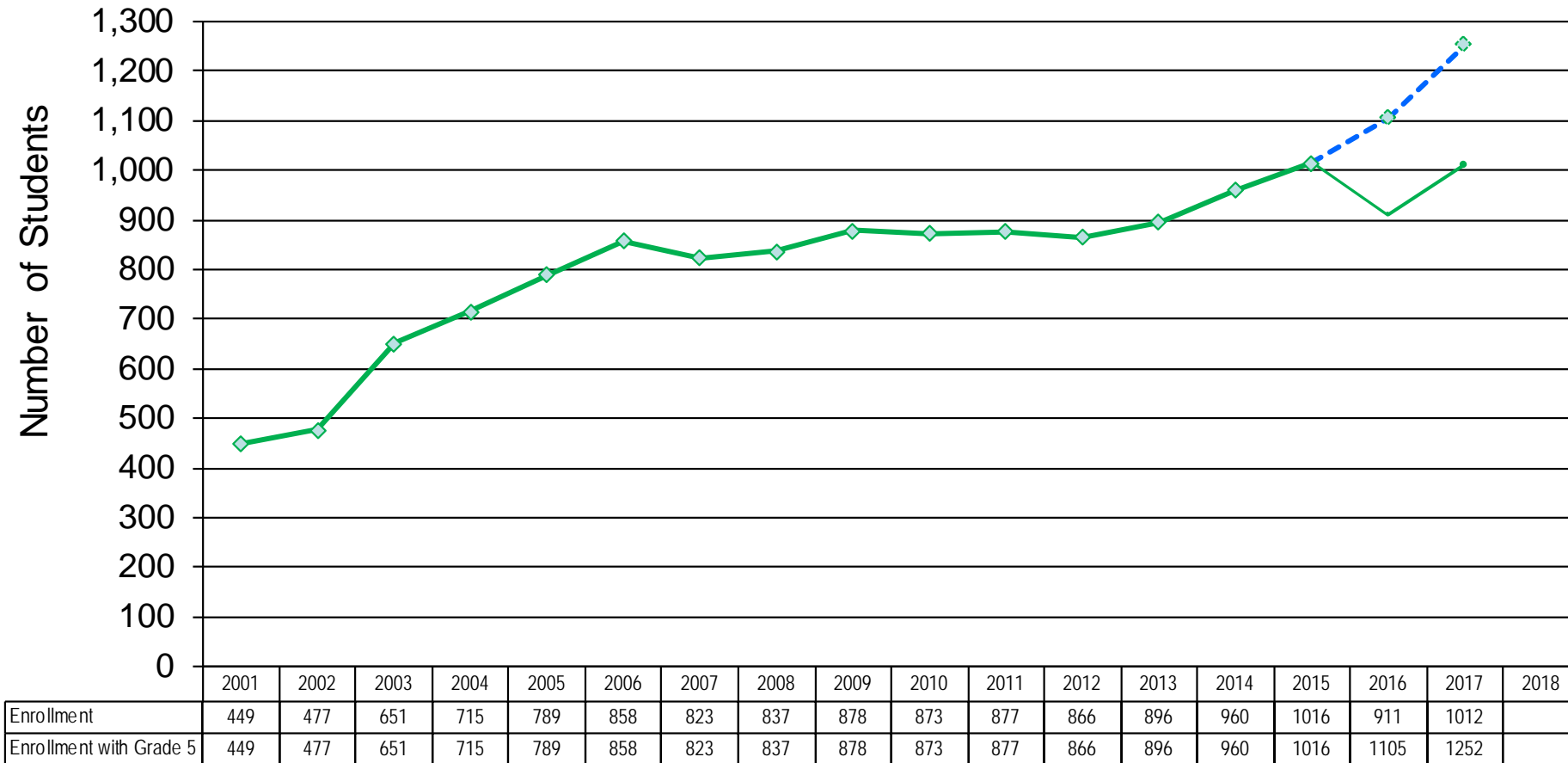


Grade Level Changed (from) K-5 (to) K-4 in 2015-16 School Year

ACTIONS WHICH HAVE HELPED CONTROL THE ENROLLMENT AT LMES

1. No Pre-Kindergarten
2. District Special Education Self-Contained Programs have been placed on campuses with greater availability of space
3. Closed to CHOICE
4. Reassignment of 5th graders to CIS (Summer 2015)
5. Extension of options (with transportation) to Ballentine Elementary and Chapin Elementary

Lake Murray Elementary Area K-5 Enrollment on 135th Day of School 2001 – 2017



Grade Span Changed to K-5 to K-4 in 2015-16 School Year

----- Estimated 5th grade counts added using percentage of 4th graders at LMES from LMES and CES

In 2017-18, 42 LMES students attending either in Ballentine or Chapin Elementary

POTENTIAL SOLUTIONS:

1. Additional School
2. Increased voluntary transfer options/incentives
3. Rezoning

**REZONING PROMPTED BY THE
OPENING OF A NEW SCHOOL = DIFFICULT**

**REZONING PROMPTED BY
MERE BALANCING OF
ENROLLMENTS = VERY
DIFFICULT**

WHY IS REZONING SO DIFFICULT?

...Schools are learning communities – not warehouses.

...It is a temporary fix that impacts the same families over and over again.

...It breaks a covenant that the District/School has made with the affected families.



SO...

**What is working in other Districts
experiencing a problem similar to the one
we are facing at LMES?**

ENROLLMENT FREEZE

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□ What is an ENROLLMENT
FREEZE?

□ Who would be impacted by the
ENROLLMENT FREEZE?

□ How would the ENROLLMENT
FREEZE work?

□ Where would District Five students impacted by the ENROLLMENT FREEZE be re-assigned?

□ When would the ENROLLMENT FREEZE begin?

WHAT IS AN ENROLLMENT FREEZE?

...an administrative action that impacts building capacity by redirecting an **incoming** student population from over-crowded schools to schools with available space.

WHO WOULD BE IMPACTED BY THE ENROLLMENT FREEZE?

❖ **NEW!** residents who are zoned to attend Lake
Murray Elementary School



HOW WOULD THE ENROLLMENT FREEZE WORK?

- ❑ ONLY students/families who "move into" the LMES attendance zone after an agreed upon date will be impacted by the FREEZE.
- ❑ All **NEW!** students/families will be administratively re-assigned to a neighboring school with available space and capacity for additional students.

HOW WOULD THE ENROLLMENT FREEZE WORK? (CONTINUED)

- Optional transportation will transport students (to and from) LMES to an identified neighboring school in the morning and afternoon.

**WHERE WOULD DISTRICT
FIVE STUDENTS IMPACTED
BY THE ENROLLMENT
FREEZE BE
RE-ASSIGNED?**

Ballentine Elementary School



Chapin Elementary School



WHEN WOULD THE ENROLLMENT FREEZE BEGIN?

Recommendation: January 22, 2018 (Start of Second Semester)

**Note: Recommendation includes families who currently reside in the Lake Murray Elementary School attendance area AND/OR who have valid documentation of an approved contract dated prior to January 22, 2018.*

QUESTIONS???