



# BSD Summary of Demographer Reports



# Bellevue School District Vision

To affirm and inspire each and every student to learn and thrive as creators of their future world.

## Our Goals for Bellevue SD Middle Schools

- provide a middle school experience that offers a developmentally responsive and student-centered educational experience.
- provide opportunities for students to find their voice, explore their interests, and develop strong relationships.
- provide innovative and personalized learning opportunities.

# In This Presentation

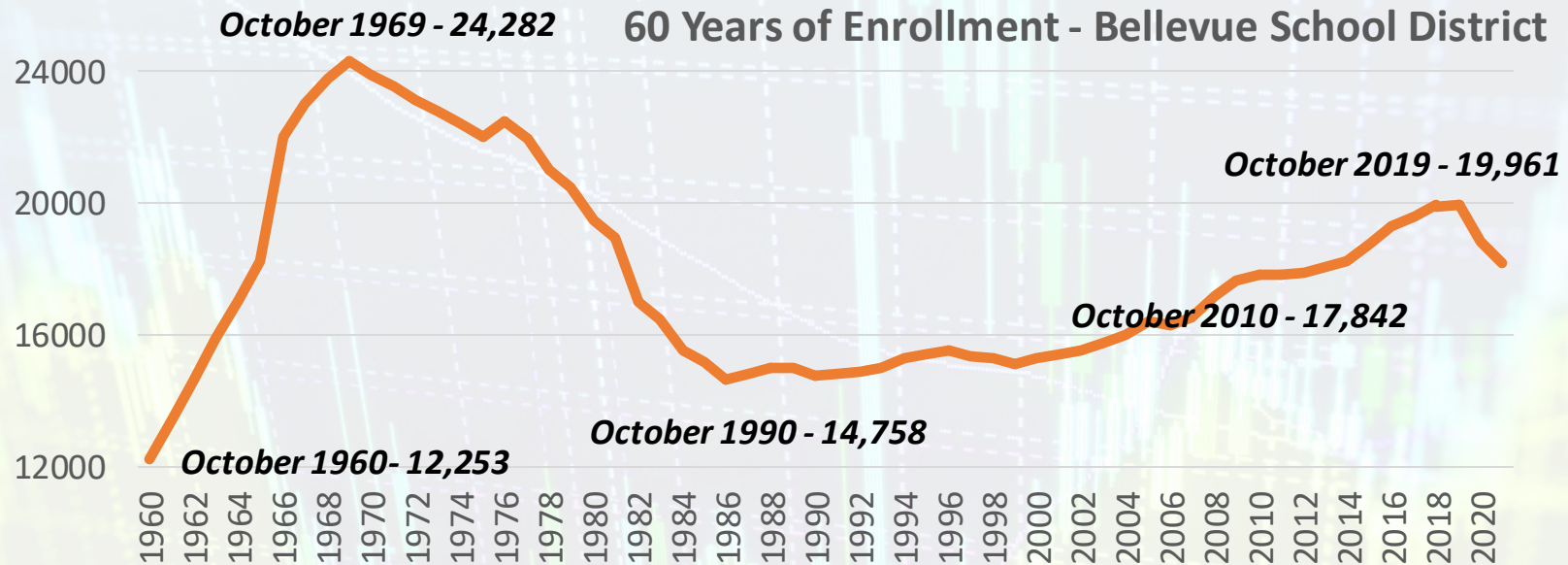
- Current & Historical Enrollment
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- Middle School Capacity & Usage Today and Future
- Program Impacts from Enrollment Differences



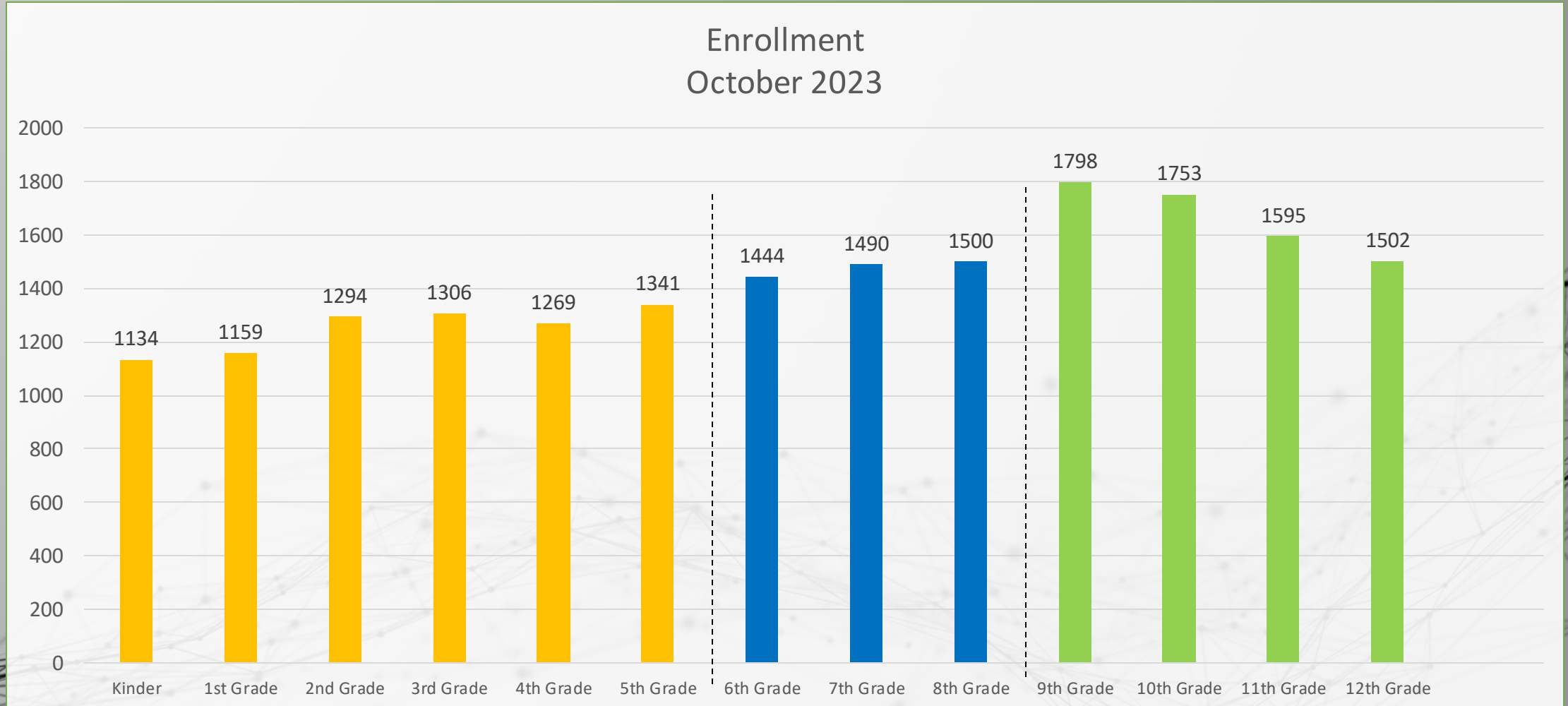
## Guiding Questions:

1. To best utilize district resources, should we consider consolidating a school or continue operating five schools resulting in reduced programs and services?
2. What aspects of a middle school experience are important to you?
3. If we were to consolidate one middle school, what priorities or factors are important and you think we should consider?
4. What questions do you have?

# Long-term Peaks and Valleys in Enrollment



# Current Enrollment



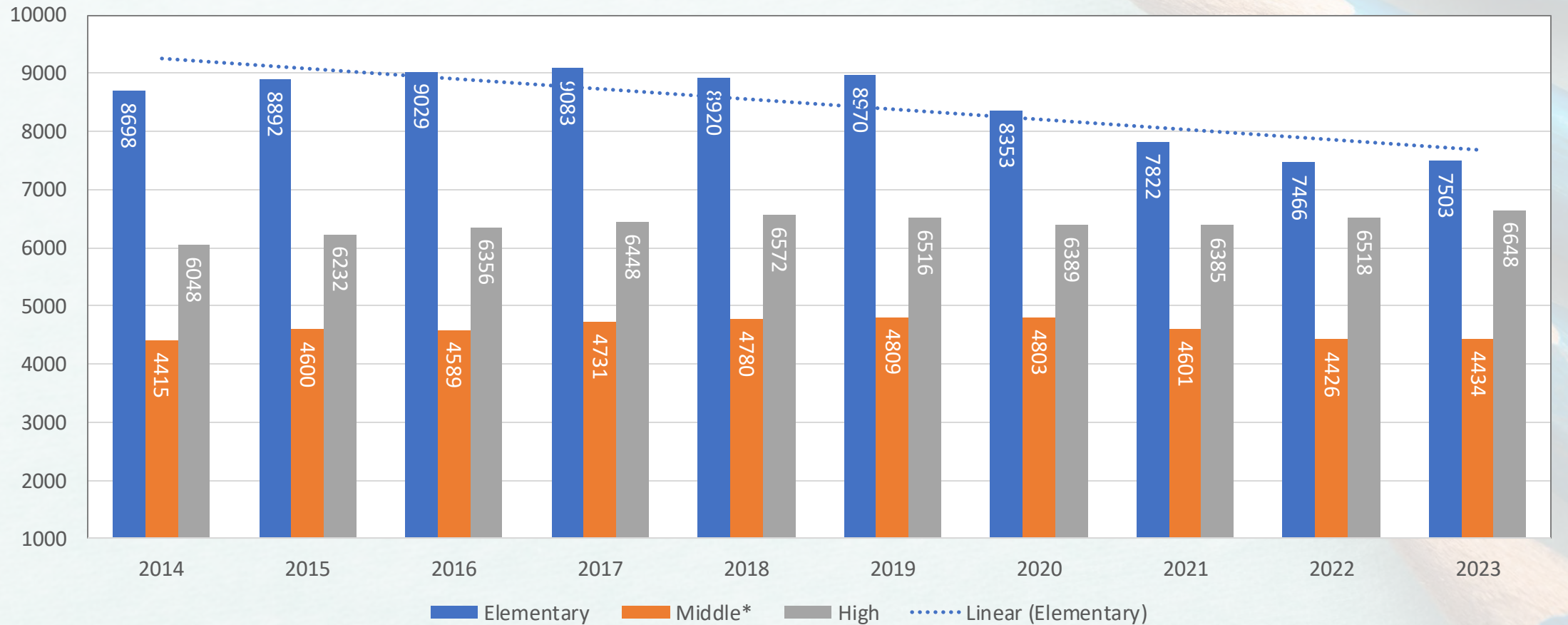
Average Enrollment  
per Grade Level:

1,250

1,478

1,662

# District Enrollment Trends



\*Grades 6-8 includes Big Picture & International

# District Enrollment Trends -- Data

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Elementary	8698	8892	9029	9083	8920	8970	8353	7822	7466	7503
Middle*	4415	4600	4589	4731	4780	4809	4803	4601	4426	4434
High	6048	6232	6356	6448	6572	6516	6389	6385	6518	6648
Total	19161	19724	19974	21390	20272	20295	19545	18808	18410	18585

\*Includes Big Picture & International grades 6-8



# District Enrollment Trends Summary

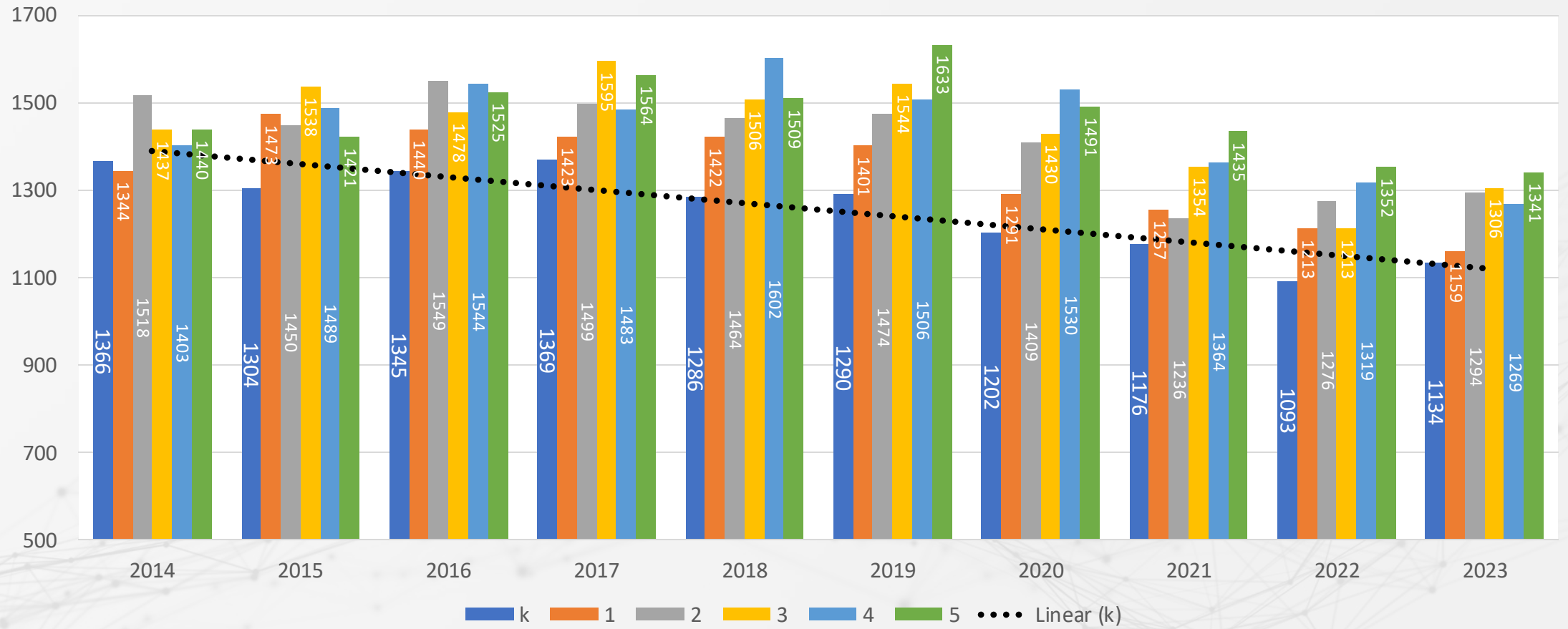
The district continues to see a decline in enrollment across all three levels. Taking a closer look, if you compare 2017 vs. 2023, you will see we lost 1,936 students (grades K-5). This is a 21% drop. Our average elementary school is 475 students.

Taking a look at middle schools, in 2017 there were 4,731 students (6-8) enrolled. Today, we have 4,446 students (6-8) enrolled. That is a drop of 285 students. Which has resulted in a 6% drop.

Overall district enrollment increased between last school year and the current school year because of an increase in non-resident students. Additional information is provided later in this presentation.

The drop in enrollment can be seen in the grade level cohorts with nearly 1600 seniors and an average at each grade level of 1,685 students at high school grades and less than 1200 kinder and first graders and an average at each grade level of 1,262 students in elementary schools.

# Elementary School Grade Level Enrollment Trends

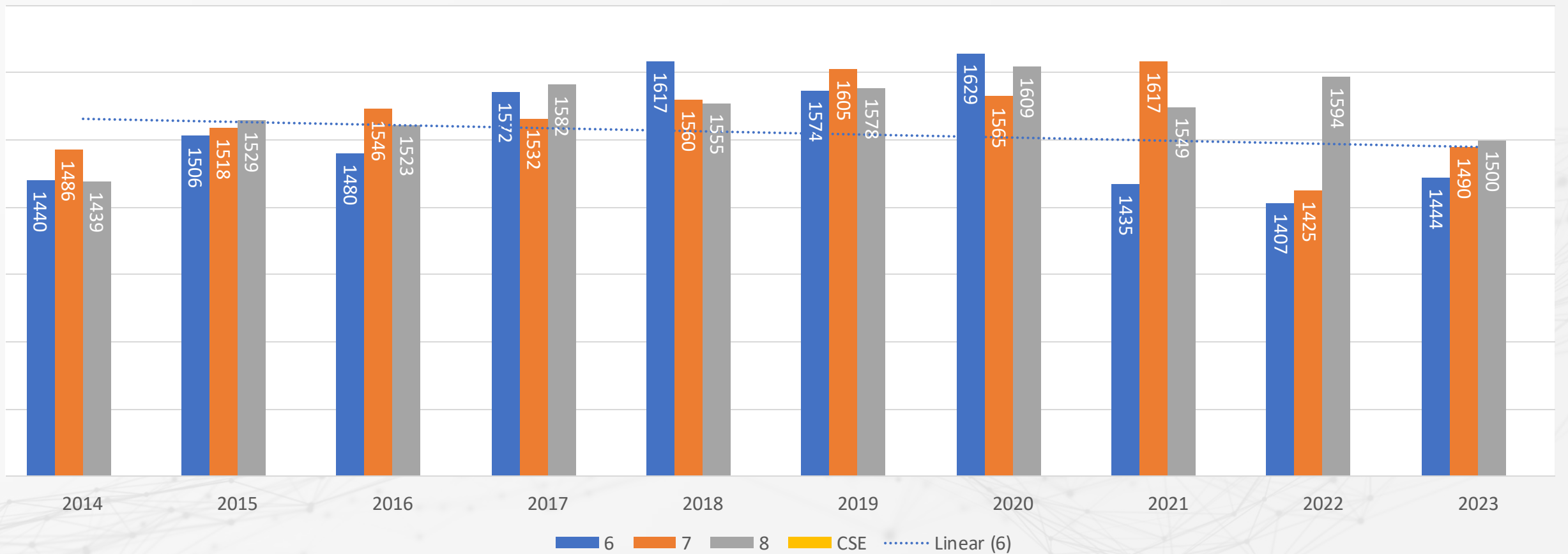


# Elementary School Grade Level Enrollment Trends -- Data

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
K	1366	1304	1345	1369	1286	1290	1202	1176	1093	1134
1	1344	1473	1440	1423	1422	1401	1291	1257	1213	1159
2	1518	1450	1549	1499	1464	1471	1409	1236	1276	1294
3	1437	1538	1478	1595	1506	1544	1430	1354	1213	1306
4	1403	1489	1544	1483	1602	1506	1530	1364	1319	1269
5	1440	1421	1525	1564	1509	1633	1491	1435	1352	1341
CSE**	190	217	148	150	131	122				
Totals	8698	8892	9029	9083	8920	8970	8353	7822	7466	7503

\*\*CSE – Centered Special Education

# Middle School Grade Level Enrollment Trends



\*\*Enrollment Trends include 6-8 students from Big Picture and International

# Middle School Grade Level Enrollment Trends -- Data

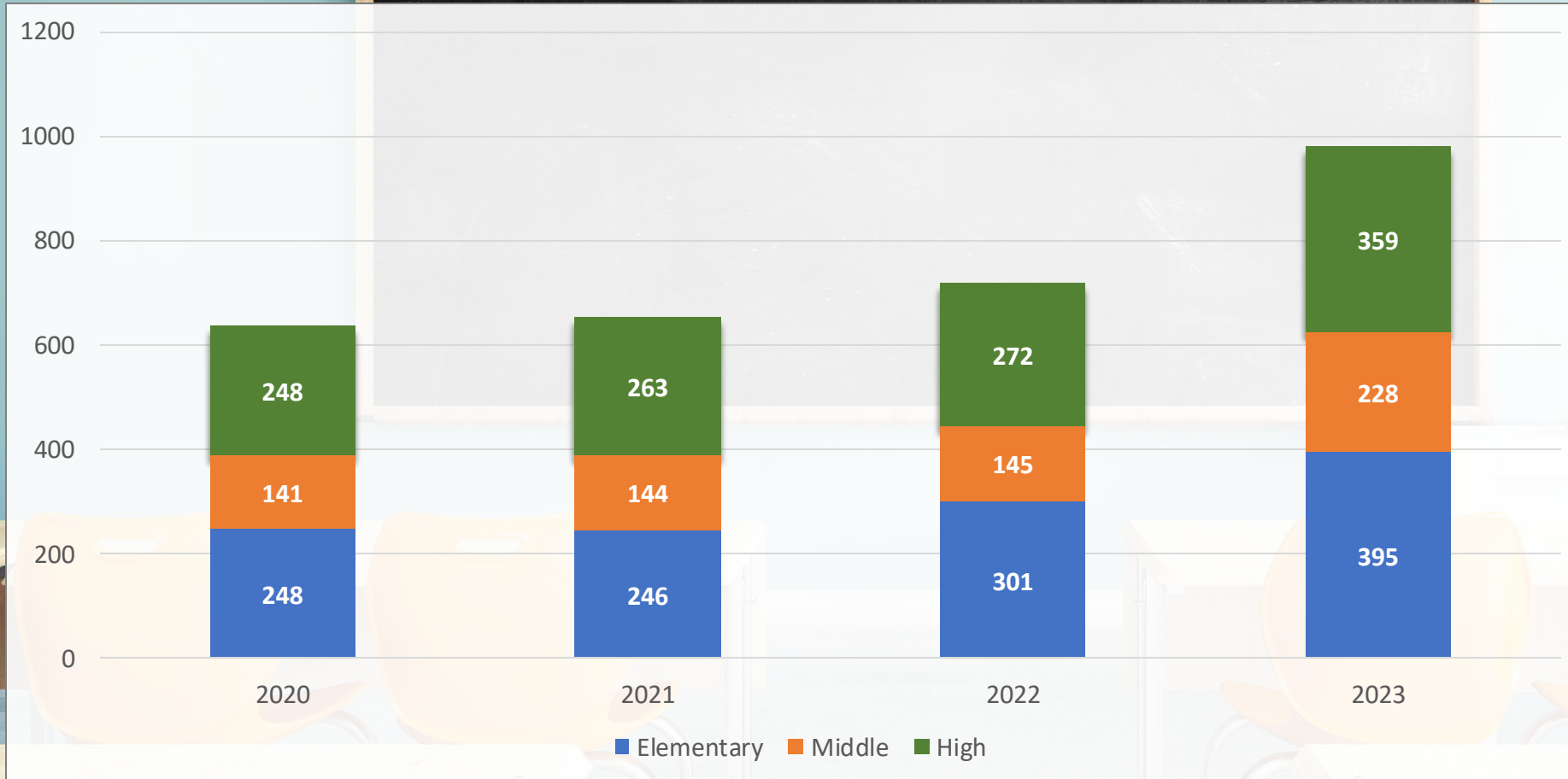
	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
6	1440	1506	1480	1572	1617	1574	1629	1435	1407	1444
7	1486	1518	1546	1532	1560	1605	1565	1617	1425	1490
8	1439	1529	1523	1582	1555	1578	1609	1549	1594	1500
CSE	50	47	40	45	48	52				
Total	4415	4600	4589	4731	4780	4809	4803	4601	4426	4434

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# Elementary and Middle School Enrollment Trends Summary

In the years from 2014 to 2019, we averaged a 4% growth above our incoming 6<sup>th</sup> graders. In 2020, this was 0%. In 2021 and 2022, we saw a decline. In 2023, there was an increase which is attributed to an increase in non-resident students.

# Total Non-Resident Students



Totals per year:  
2020 – 637  
2021 – 653 (2.5%)  
2022 – 718 (10%)  
2023 – 982 (37%)

\*\* Includes Non-Resident and Non-Resident Employees

# Summary of Non-Resident Student Data

There has been an increase in the number of Non-Resident Student Enrollment. Between 2022/2023 and 2023/2024 school years, we have seen a 26% increase in non-resident students.

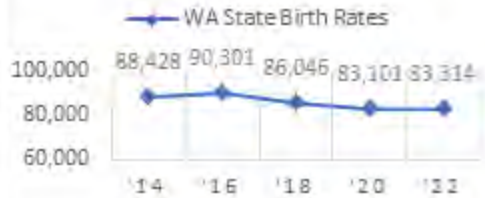
State law requires the district to admit non-resident students if we have capacity and available staff. With decreasing enrollment, opportunities for non-resident students have increased. Our goal for non-resident student enrollment is to increase enrollment stability at the district and school levels.



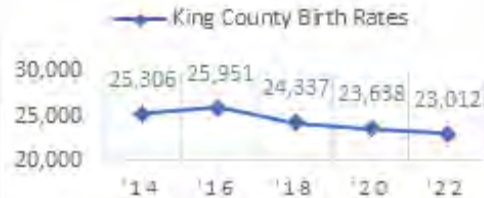
# What are the drivers causing enrollment to decline?

- Decline in birth rates

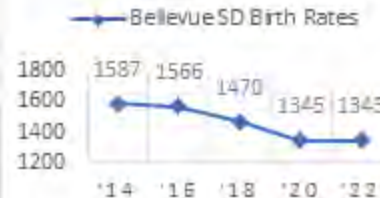
## WA STATE BIRTH RATES



## KING COUNTY BIRTH RATES



## BELLEVUE SD BIRTH RATES



- Lack of affordable homes

## Bellevue Housing Market Trends

What is the housing market like in Bellevue today?

In August 2023, Bellevue home prices were up 18.3% compared to last year, selling for a median price of \$1.4M. On average, homes in Bellevue sell after 8 days on the market compared to 18 days last year. There were 153 homes sold in August this year, up from 135 last year.

Median Sale Price  
**\$1,420,000**

+18.3% year-over-year

# of Homes Sold  
**153**

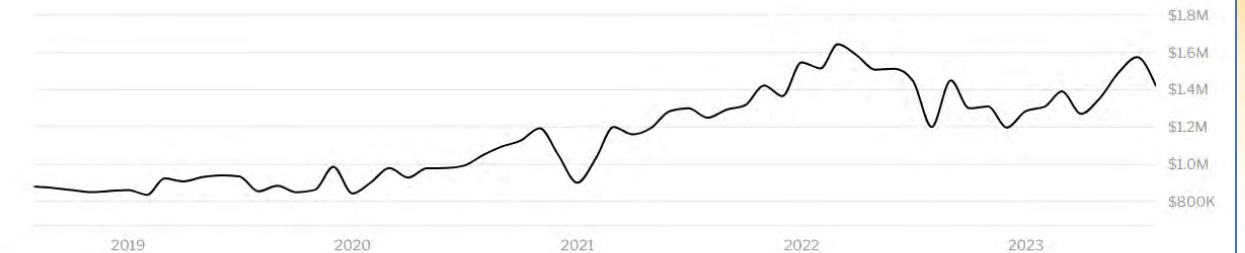
+13.3% year-over-year

Median Days on Market  
**8**

-10 year-over-year

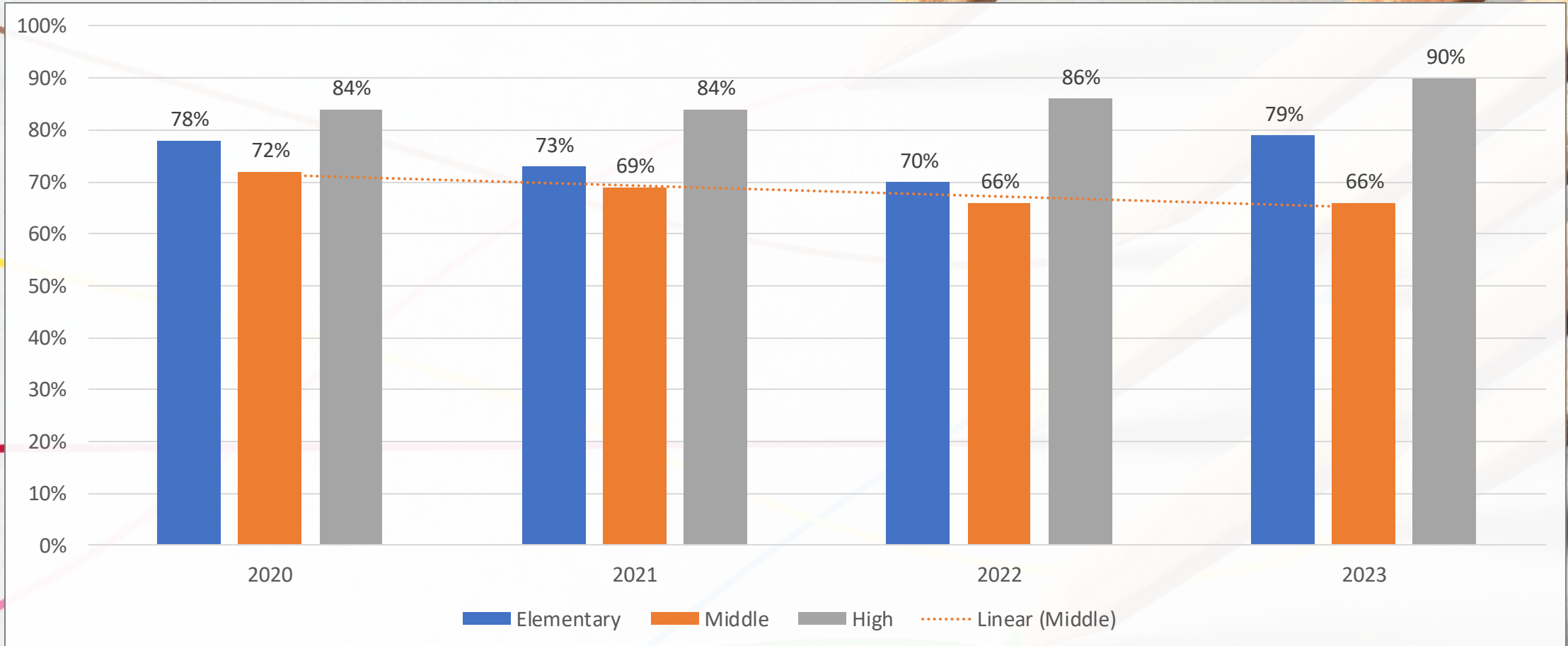
All Home Types

1 year 3 years 5 years



Based on Redfin calculations of home data from MLS and/or public records.

# 2023 District Capacity Utilization Trends



# Secondary School Capacity Calculation

- **Regular Classroom**

- **Total Regular Classroom X Target Classroom Size X 86% = Total Regular Classroom Capacity**

- **Specialty Classroom**

- **Total Specialty classroom x Target Classroom size X 71% = Total Specialty Classroom Capacity**

- **Total Middle School Capacity**

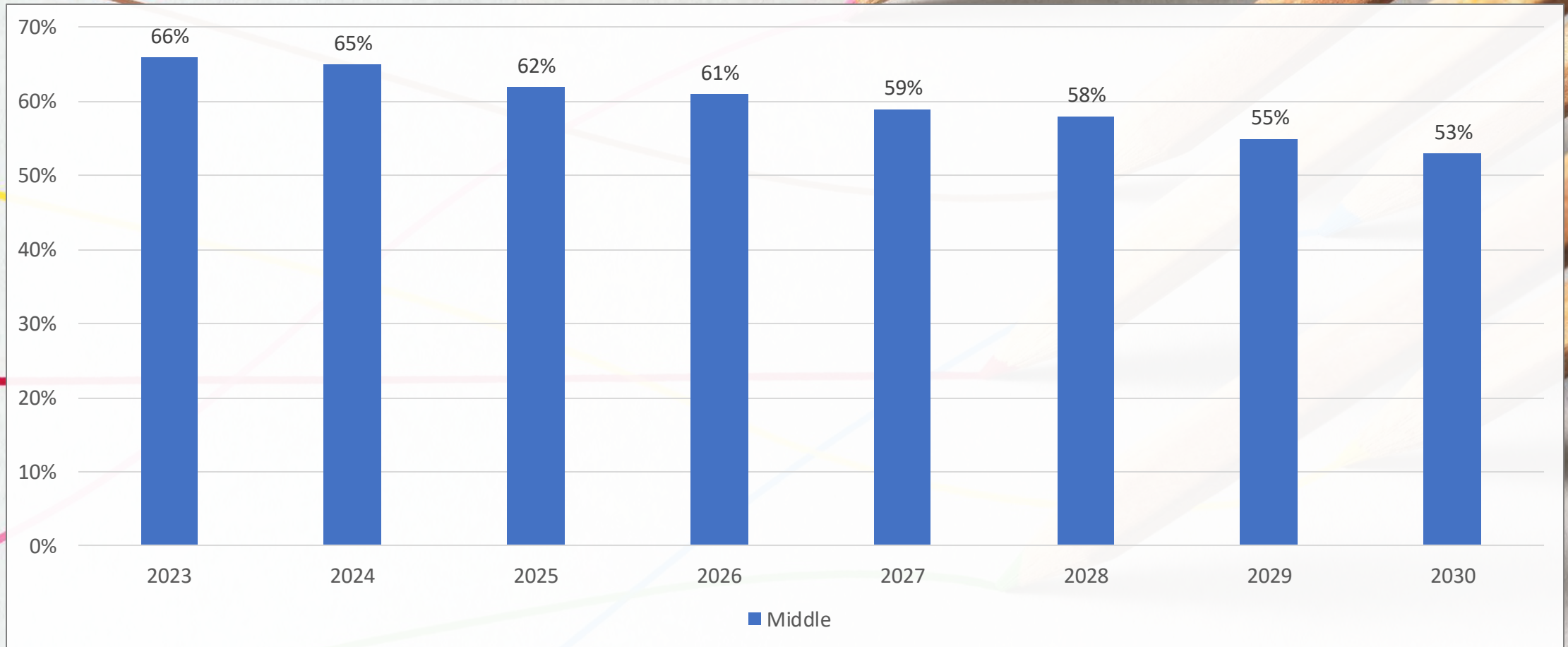
- **Total Middle School Capacity = Total Regular Classroom Capacity + Total Specialty Classroom Capacity**

**86% = 6 of 7 periods used for instruction**

**71% = 5 of 7 periods used for instruction**

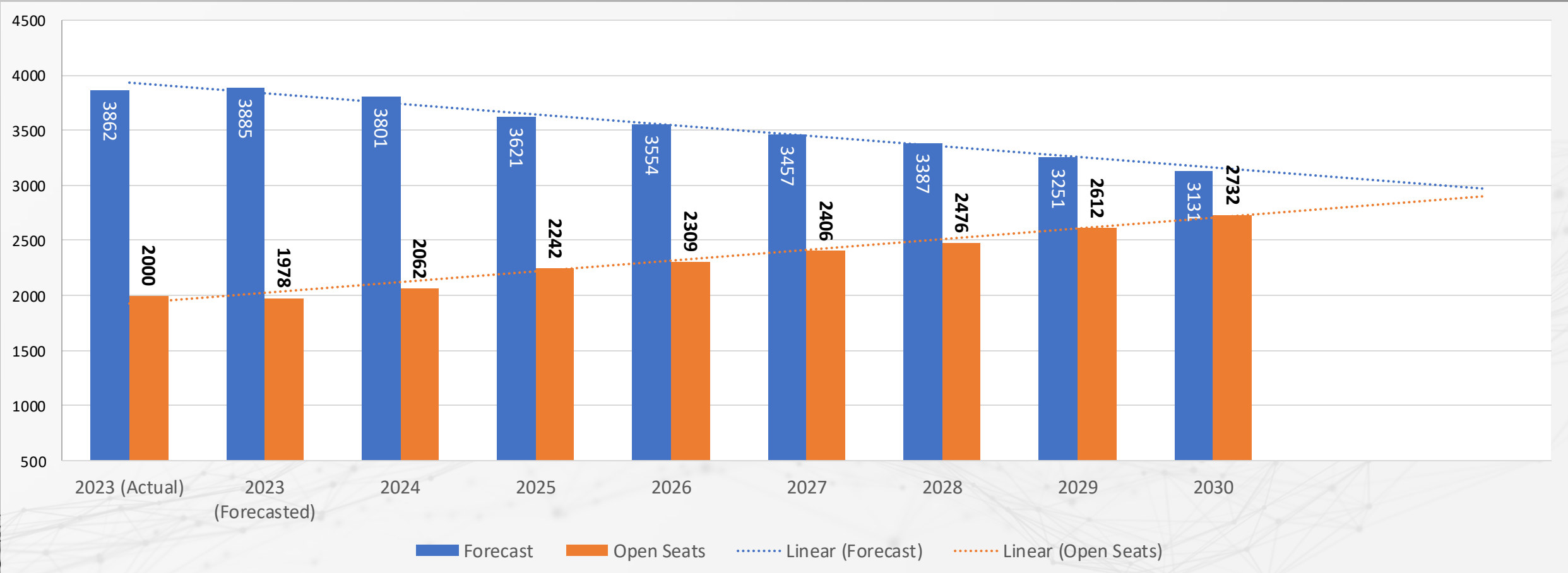


# Middle School Utilization Forecast based on Western Demographics, Inc.



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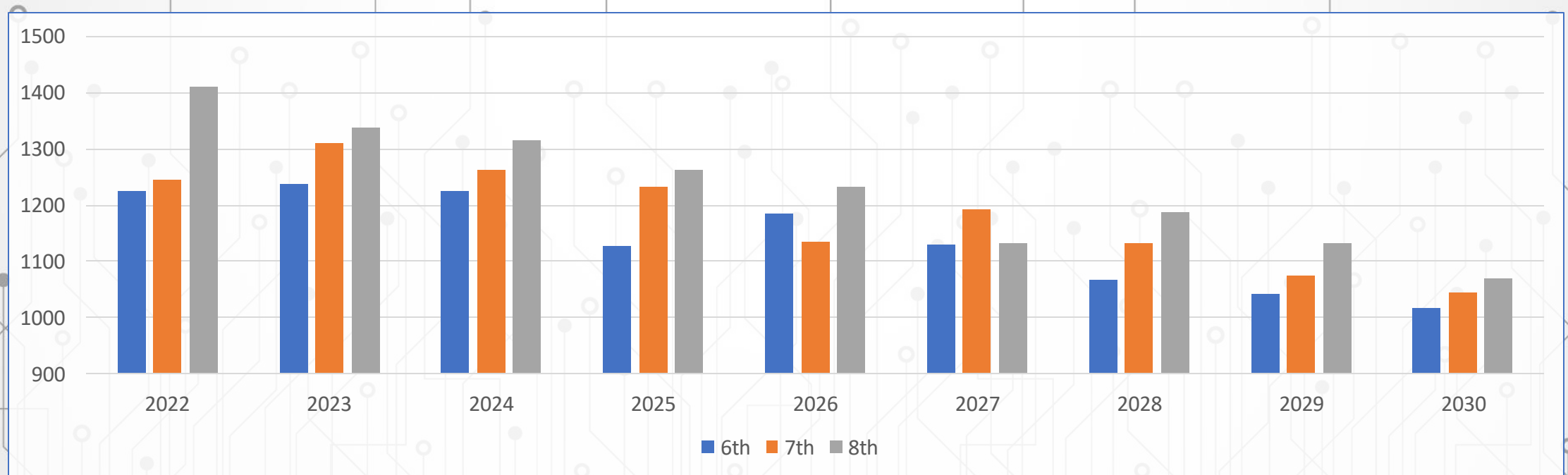
# Western Demographics, Inc Middle School Forecast & Open Seats



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# Western Demographics, Inc. Forecast Data

Grade Level	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
6 <sup>th</sup>	1238	1224	1127	1186	1131	1067	1043	1016
7 <sup>th</sup>	1310	1262	1232	1136	1193	1133	1075	1046
8 <sup>th</sup>	1337	1315	1262	1232	1133	1187	1133	1069
Total	3885	3801	3621	3554	3457	3387	3251	3131



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# Western Demographics, Inc. Forecast by Middle School

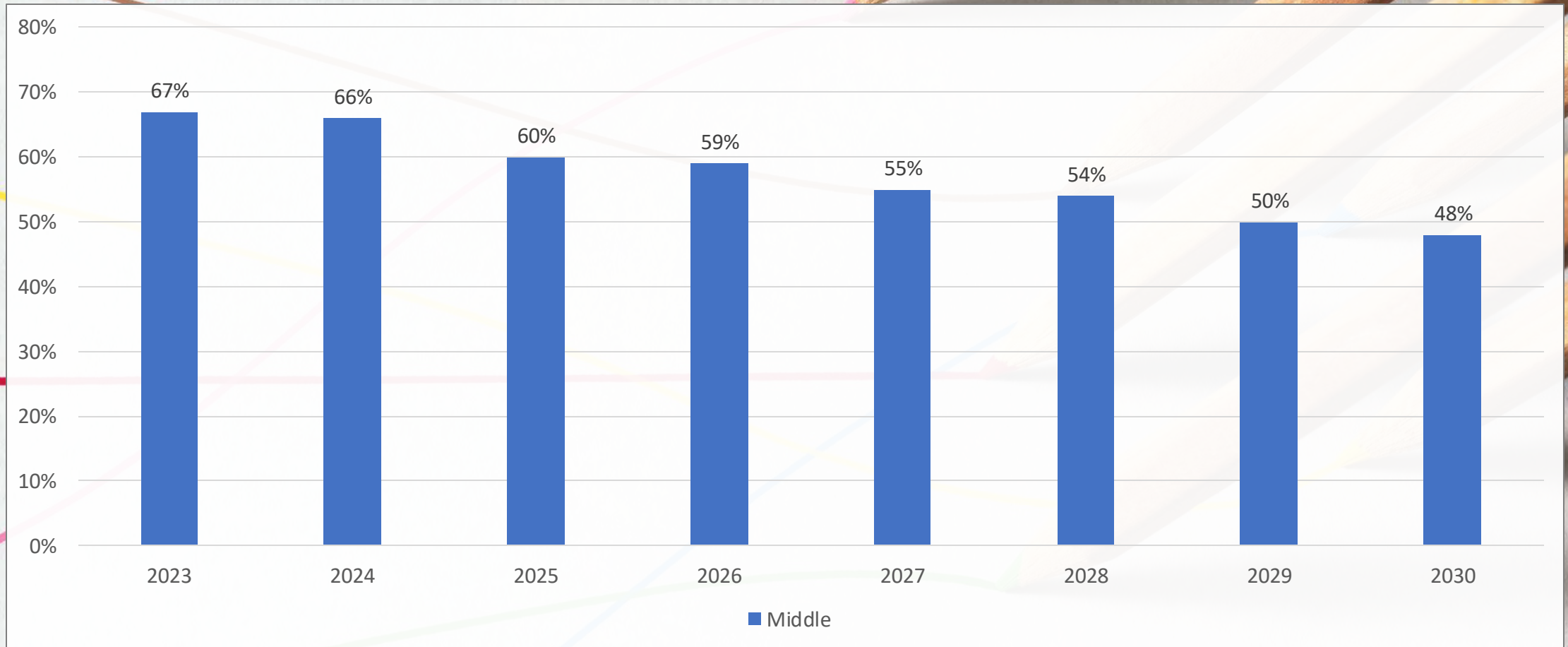
	Chinook			Highland			Odle			Tillicum			Tyee		
Year	Low	Med	High	Low	Med	High	Low	Med	High	Low	Med	High	Low	Med	High
<b>Actual SY23_24</b>	735	735	735	593	593	593	922	922	922	700	700	700	913	913	913
<b>SY24_25</b>	682	687	692	569	574	579	975	980	985	696	701	706	892	897	902
<b>SY25_26</b>	597	607	617	532	542	552	945	955	965	706	716	726	838	848	858
<b>SY26_27</b>	548	563	578	515	530	545	933	948	963	716	731	746	790	805	820
<b>SY27_28</b>	510	530	550	512	532	552	907	927	947	732	752	772	775	795	815
<b>SY28_29</b>	461	486	511	508	533	558	871	896	921	692	717	742	775	800	825
<b>SY29_30</b>	448	478	508	481	511	541	807	837	867	671	701	731	729	759	789
<b>SY30_31</b>	448	483	518	449	484	519	754	789	824	629	664	699	704	739	774
<b>SY31_32</b>	465	505	545	441	481	521	724	764	804	637	677	717	655	695	735

# Western Demographics, Inc. Utilization Summary

1. Based on the provided data:
2. Year-to-Year Enrollment Changes by Grade:
  1. The number of students in the 6th grade generally decreases from 1238 in 2023 to 1016 in 2030, with a slight increase in 2026.
  2. The 7th-grade numbers decrease overall from 1310 in 2023 to 1046 in 2030, though there's a slight increase in 2027.
  3. The number of 8th graders decreases from 1337 in 2023 to 1069 in 2030, with a slight increase in 2028.
3. The "Total Enrollment" across all grades is declining, from 3885 students in 2023 and dropping to 3131 students by 2030.
4. The "Capacity" for the school remains constant throughout the years at 5863 seats.
5. The number of "Open Seats" shows an increasing trend over these years, starting from 1978 open seats in 2023 and growing to 2732 open seats by 2030. This increase in open seats corresponds with the decline in the total number of students.
6. In summary, the data shows a consistent decline in enrollment across all three grades from 2023 to 2030. The school's total capacity remains the same, leading to an increasing number of open or unoccupied seats. The school might need to evaluate the causes behind the declining enrollment and consider potential strategies for the future, such as consolidation, space repurposing, or implementing new programs.



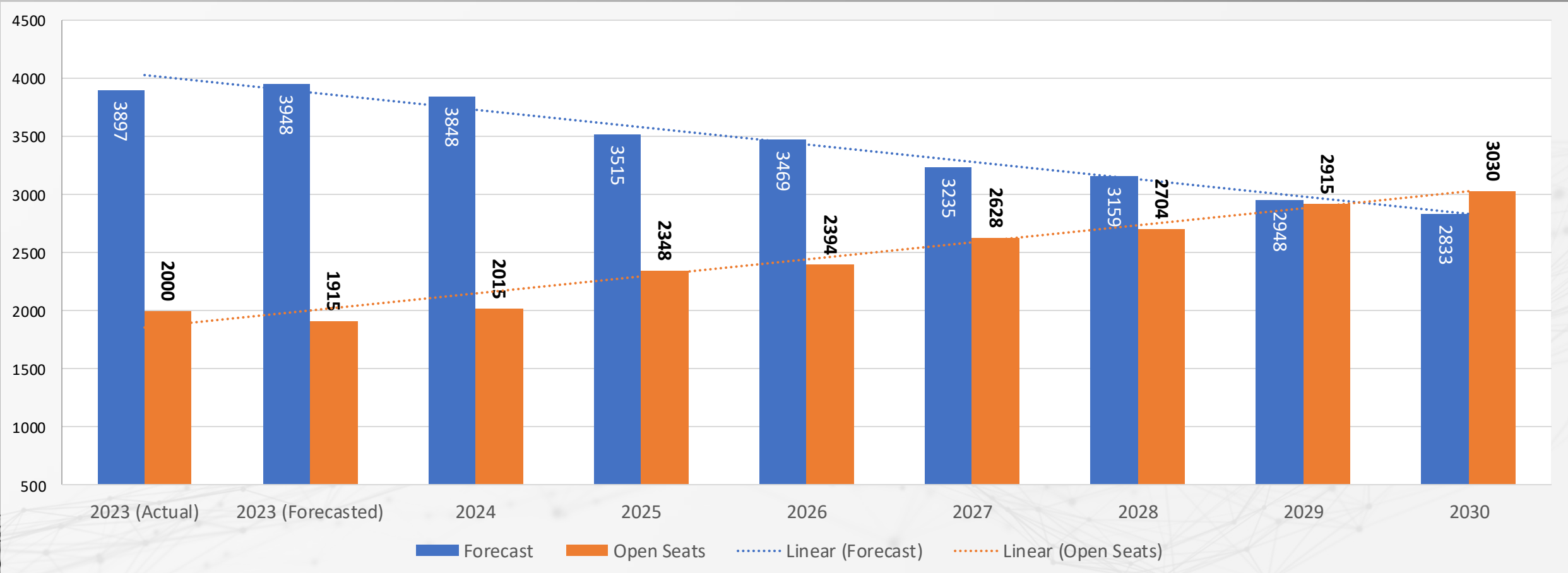
# Middle School Utilization Forecast based on Davis Demographics



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# Davis Demographics MGT

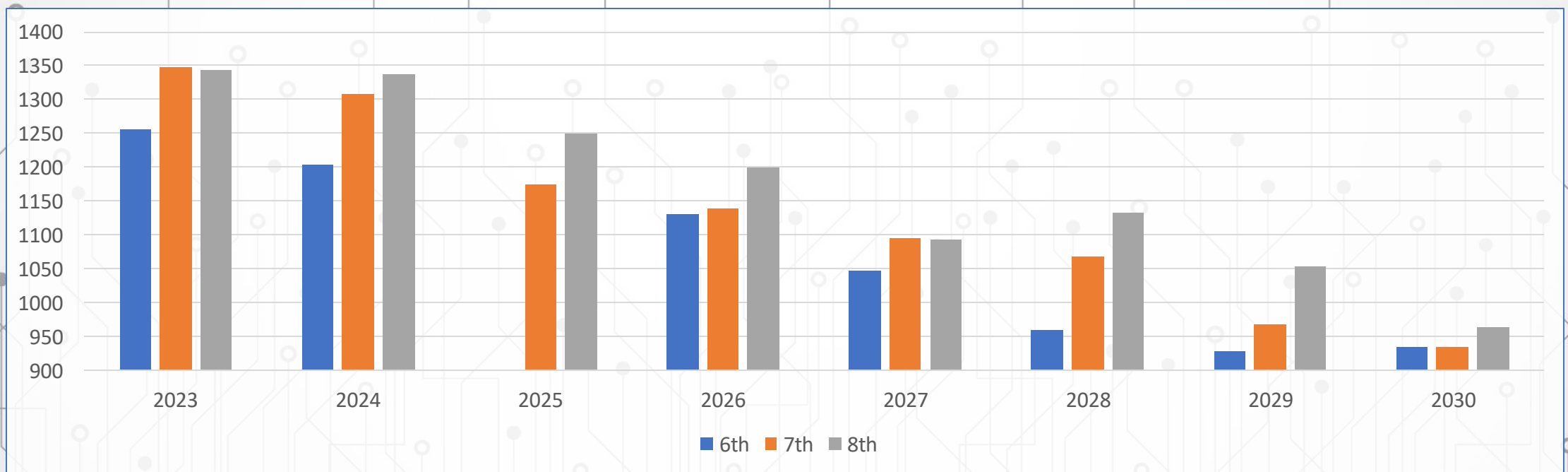
## Middle School Forecast & Open Seats



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# Davis Demographics MGT Forecast Data

Grade Level	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
6 <sup>th</sup>	1257	1203	1090	1130	1047	959	928	935
7 <sup>th</sup>	1348	1308	1175	1139	1095	1068	967	934
8 <sup>th</sup>	1343	1337	1250	1200	1093	1132	1053	964
Total	3948	3848	3515	3469	3235	3159	2948	2833



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# Davis - Utilization Rates – Middle Schools

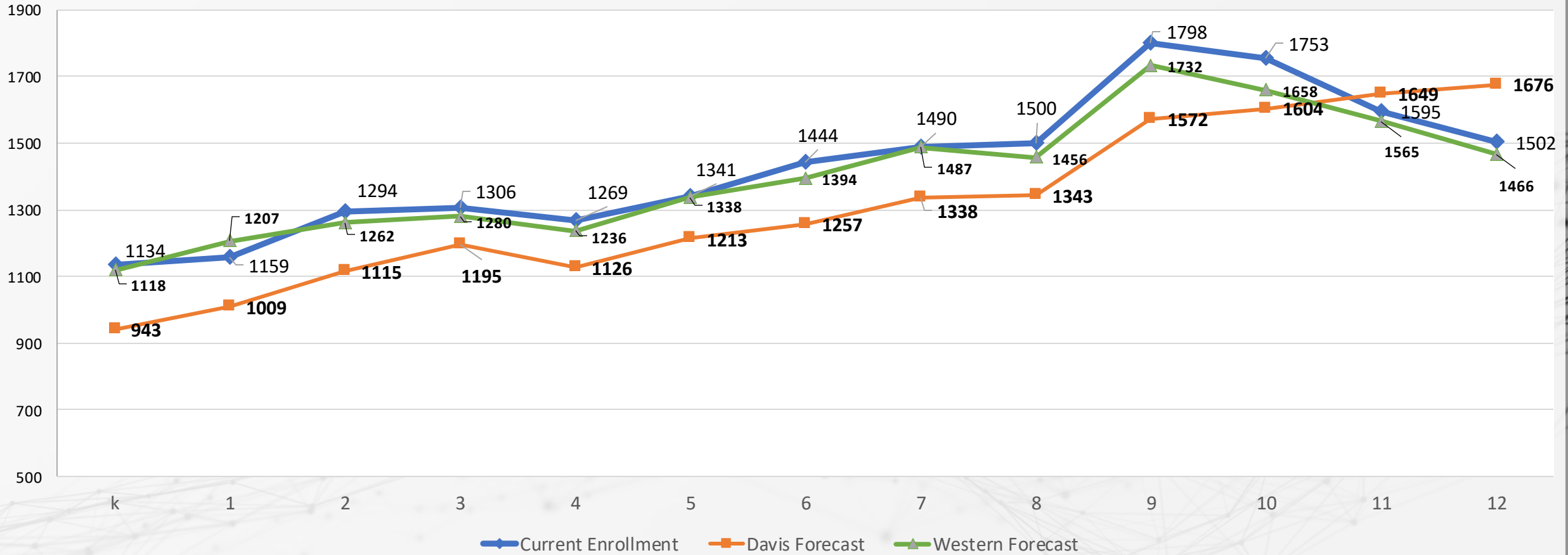
## Enrollment Based (Based off Historical Transfer Rates)

School	Estimated In	Estimated Out	Capacity	23/24	23/24 Utilization	26/27	26/27 Utilization	30/31	30/31 Utilization
Chinook MS	69	-405	1118	733.3	66%	605.1	54%	358.8	32%
Highland MS	151	-353	1261	558.3	44%	443.7	35%	371.3	29%
Odle MS	461	-280	1145	869.7	76%	819.6	72%	732.1	64%
Tillicum MS	288	-211	1285	666.7	52%	548	43%	429.8	33%
Tyee MS	113	-171	1053	773.1	73%	661.6	63%	594.6	56%

# Davis Demographics MGT Utilization Summary

- In summary, this data suggests a decreasing trend in middle school students attending schools from 2023 to 2032. At the same time, the schools' total capacity remains unchanged. Consequently, the number of open or unoccupied seats in middle schools is rising over this period. If these trends continue, the district might need to consider strategies to utilize the increasing number of open seats, such as consolidating schools, repurposing space, or exploring other educational programs.

# Current Enrollment vs 2023-24 Forecast

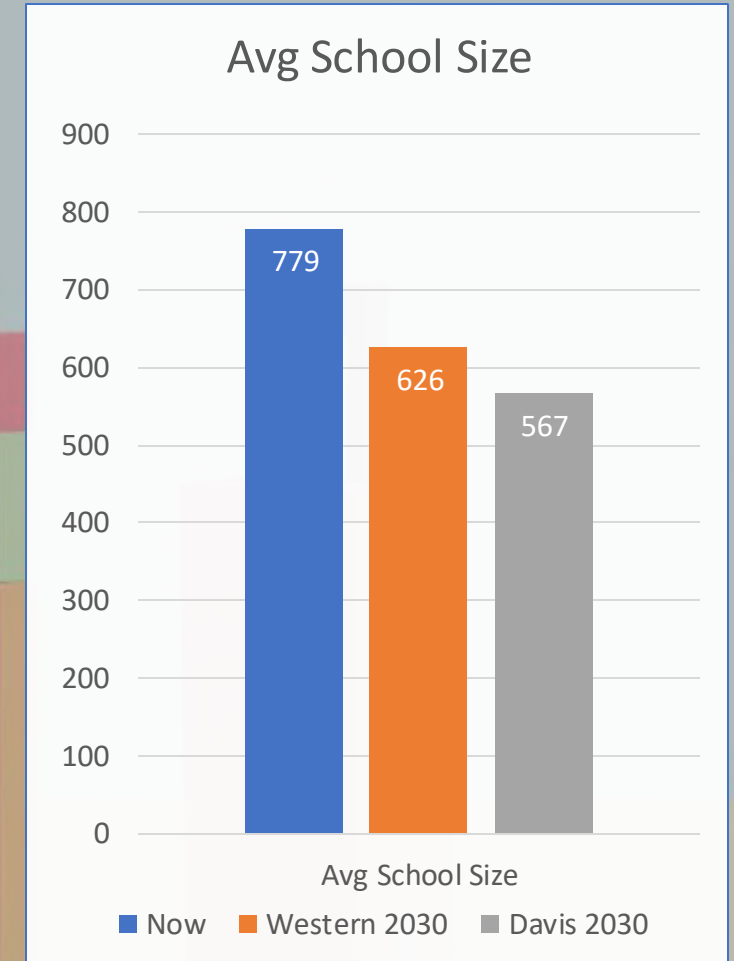
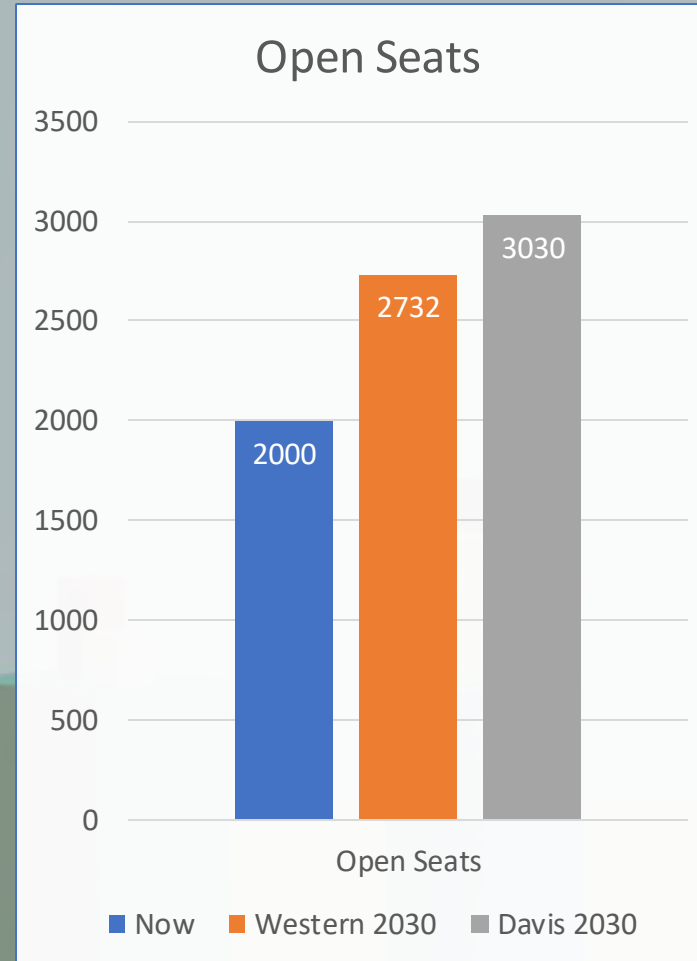
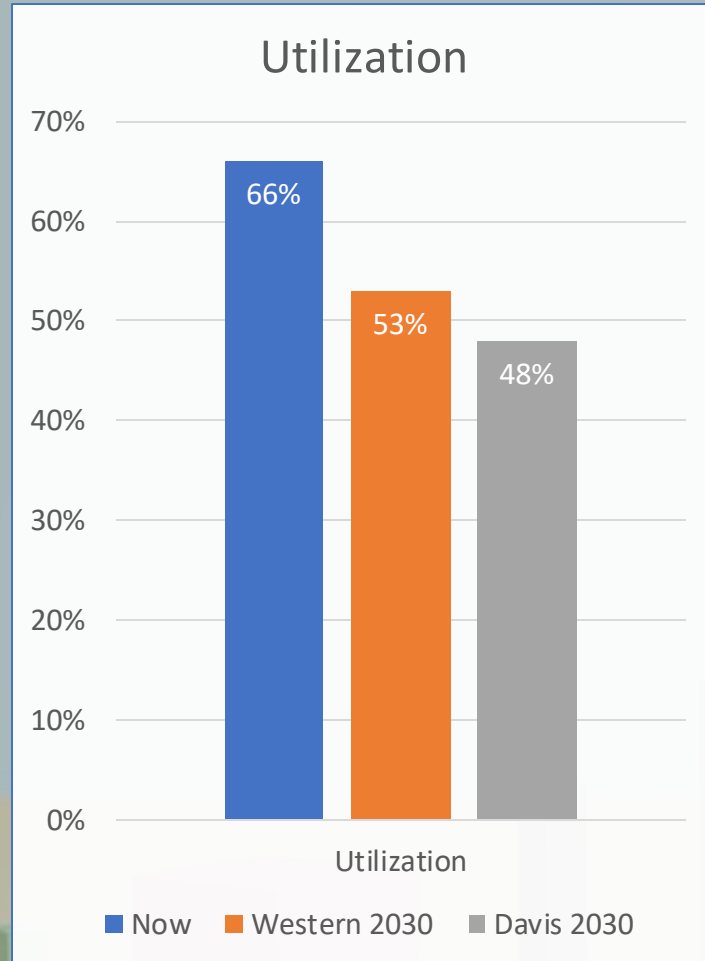


# Where have students transferred?

School year	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024
Students who moved out of the BSD attendance area to another WA school district	824	791	556	23
Confirmed transfer to home or private school	321	278	156	4
Confirmed transfer out of the country	618	655	461	21
BSD resident student attended another public school in WA	291	245	243	179
Unknown	1,115	657	792	111
Totals	2,429	2,626	2,208	338

\*\*Data based on students who requested records

# NOW vs. 7 Years from now



Smaller school size results in fewer teachers and fewer class choices for students.



# Impacts of enrollment on course offerings

School Size	Educator FTE (Math, SS, Sci, ELA)	Educator FTE (PE, Electives)
900	26	14
700	20	11
500	15	8
300	9	5

Now VS 2030 Avg School Size	Educator FTE (Math, SS, Sci, ELA)	Educator FTE (PE, Electives)
779	23	12
Forecast for 2030 626 - 567	18 -17	10 -9

Physical Education	Performing & Visual Arts	CTE	World Languages
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yoga</li> <li>• Strength and Fitness</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Music (Choir, Band, Orchestra)</li> <li>• Dance</li> <li>• Theater Arts (Drama, Theatre Production)</li> <li>• Visual Arts (Art, Studio Art, Ceramics)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• STEM (Robotics, Coding, Flight/Space, Engineering)</li> <li>• Technology Education (Media and Video Productions)</li> <li>• Health Sciences (Medical Detectives)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mandarin</li> <li>• French</li> <li>• Japanese</li> <li>• Spanish</li> <li>• Arabic</li> </ul>

# Smaller School Size Summary

- Small school sizes will translate into fewer teachers, fewer course offerings, clubs, and activities, reduced student supports such as counseling and academic intervention, and more significant resource strain at the elementary and high school levels.



# Bellevue School District Middle School Consolidation Study Feedback

We invite you to share your feedback:  
<https://bit.ly/MSConsolidationFeedback>



- Share with us what is important you
- Share with us what you think we should consider
- Share with us any additional questions you have