# CCUSD Facility Focus Group

September 19, 2024

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# Agenda

- I. Group Norms
- II. Purpose, Process, Outcomes
- III. Review/Questions from 2nd Meeting
- IV. Review of Campus Maps, Bus Routes, Enrollment Locations
- V. Group Work & Share Out



# Purpose

Review district enrollment trends and other relevant data to make recommendations for efficient use of district buildings.

The group will meet with a district demographer, explore current enrollment and other data points, and meet with directors to understand how district decisions might impact specific schools and programs.



#### **Process**

- Meetings in May, August, September, October, November
- Recommendations to the Superintendent in Fall 2024
- Community input meetings and surveys in Fall/Winter
- Board vote on recommendations in Spring 2025
- Recommendations for school closures/repurposing as early as the 2025-2026 school year



### Outcomes

- Provide input to Cabinet to repurpose schools, close schools, and/or redraw boundaries.
- While the group might recommend repurposing specific school sites, the new use of the site will be handled with another group.



# **Group Norms**

- Respectful Communication
- Participate Fully
- Value Differences
- Evidence-Based Decision Making
- Supportive Environment
- Students at the Center
- Others?



# **North Star**

- What is best for students
- What will result in future financial stability for CCUSD

# Current and Projected Enrollment

#### **ENROLLMENT BY SCHOOL**

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# Q: How much money is saved by closing a campus?

The district potentially saves money in the following areas:

- Instruction
- Students
- Instructional Support
- School Administration
- Operations and Maintenance of Plan



# Potential Savings

#### School Administration:

- Principal
- Administrative Assistant
- Attendance Clerk

#### Instructional/Other Support

- Health Assistant
- Related Services
- Custodial
- Consolidation of Staff



# School Closure Savings

Instruction- Potential savings are dependent on each situation

#### School A

44 1st grade students = 2 teachers

#### School B

30 1st grade students = 2 teachers

#### **Combined**

74 1st grade students = **3 teachers** 



# PreSchool to Kindergarten Retention

#### 24/25:

- 110 Students transitioned
- 74 Enrolled in CCUSD
- 67% capture rate

#### 23/24

- 101 Students transitioned
- 70 Enrolled in CCUSD
- 69% capture rate



Site	23/24 Enrollment August Preschool	23/24 Enrollment May Preschool	24/25 Enrollment August Preschool	•	24/25 Enrollment September KC
BMES	34	35	27	31	93
DSA	12	14	11	13	24
DWES	38	33	31	31	115
HTES	41	42	40	41	126
LMES	32	38	26	27	93

## Additional Data

School	Capacity	80%	SY23/24	SY 24/25	SY24/25 Below 80% Capacity	SY 33/34 Projected Enrollment	SY 33/34 Projected Below 80% Capacity
BMES	952	762	497	488	274	394	368
DSA	980	784	246	195	589	374	410
DWES	924	740	399	344	396	279	461
HTES	1008	806	416	424	382	252	554
LMES	1036	829	429	377	452	266	563-

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# Additional Data

School	ESS Classrooms	Special Program	Special Program Enrollment
BMES	4	Arts Integration	Schoolwide
DSA	1	French Immersion	38
DWES	2	Spanish Immersion	Х
HTES	2	Horsemanship	Schoolwide
LMES	5	STEM	Schoolwide



# Superintendent Considerations

- Current enrollment
- Projected Enrollment
- Location (boundaries, proximity to other schools, proximity to district border)
- Speciality Programs
- Facility Needs/Maintenance
- Attendance Consolidation for Efficiency
- Free and Reduced Lunch Percentages
- Demographics
- Number of Bus Routes



# Superintendent Considerations

- Consider keeping a neighborhood together
- Special Education programs
- Limit on resources; number of buses and drivers
- Distance from school
- Length of time a student is on a bus
- Safe routes to school- walking vs. busing vs. parent transportation
- Forward thinking to allow for future growth in an effort to minimize future changes to families

# Superintendent Considerations

- Balance school enrollment
- Economically viable; fiscally responsible
- Potential cost-savings
- Potential revenue streams for repurposing



# Group Work

- In groups, identify and narrow down where there is an opportunity to close/repurpose a campus. Identify up to 2 opportunity.
- For each opportunity, explore all options Example
  - Close School A, send students to School B
  - Close School B, split students between School A & C
  - Close School C, send students to School A



## Group Work

#### Granular Focus:

- What is the projected number of students at the combined sites.
- How many staff at each grade level (30/25:1 ratio)
- Does the receiving site have classroom capacity?
- Does pre-school have space?
- Do specialized programs have space?
- Are bus times/distance reasonable?
- What are the pros/cons of moving 6th grade to STMS?



# Group Work

- What are the opportunities, concerns, considerations and questions that need to be explored for each option?
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- Share one of the options your group identified.



# What additional data/information would be relevant for the group to review?

Questions/ Good of the Order



