



Franklin-McKinley School District

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Public Hearing: School Consolidation

February 04, 2025

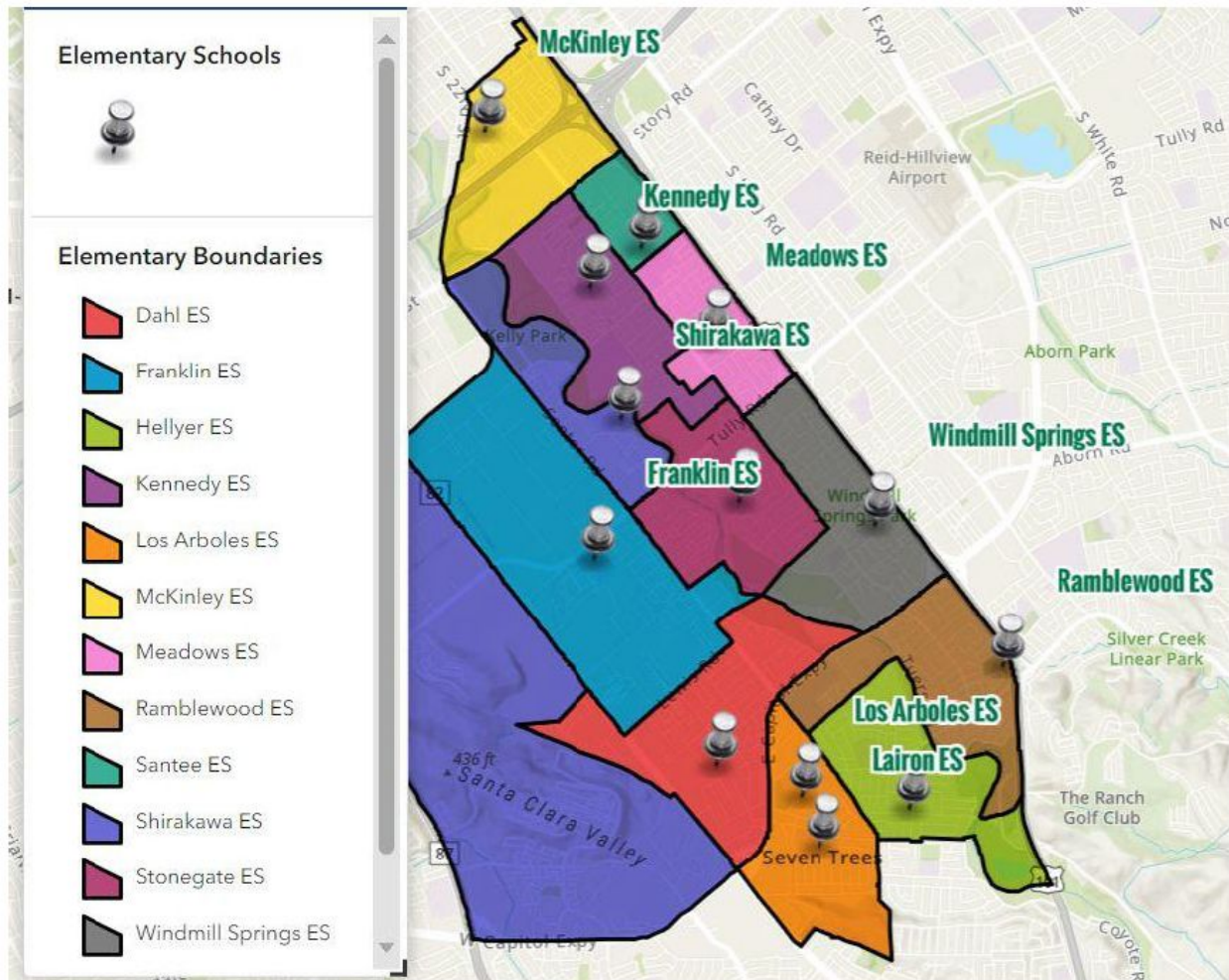


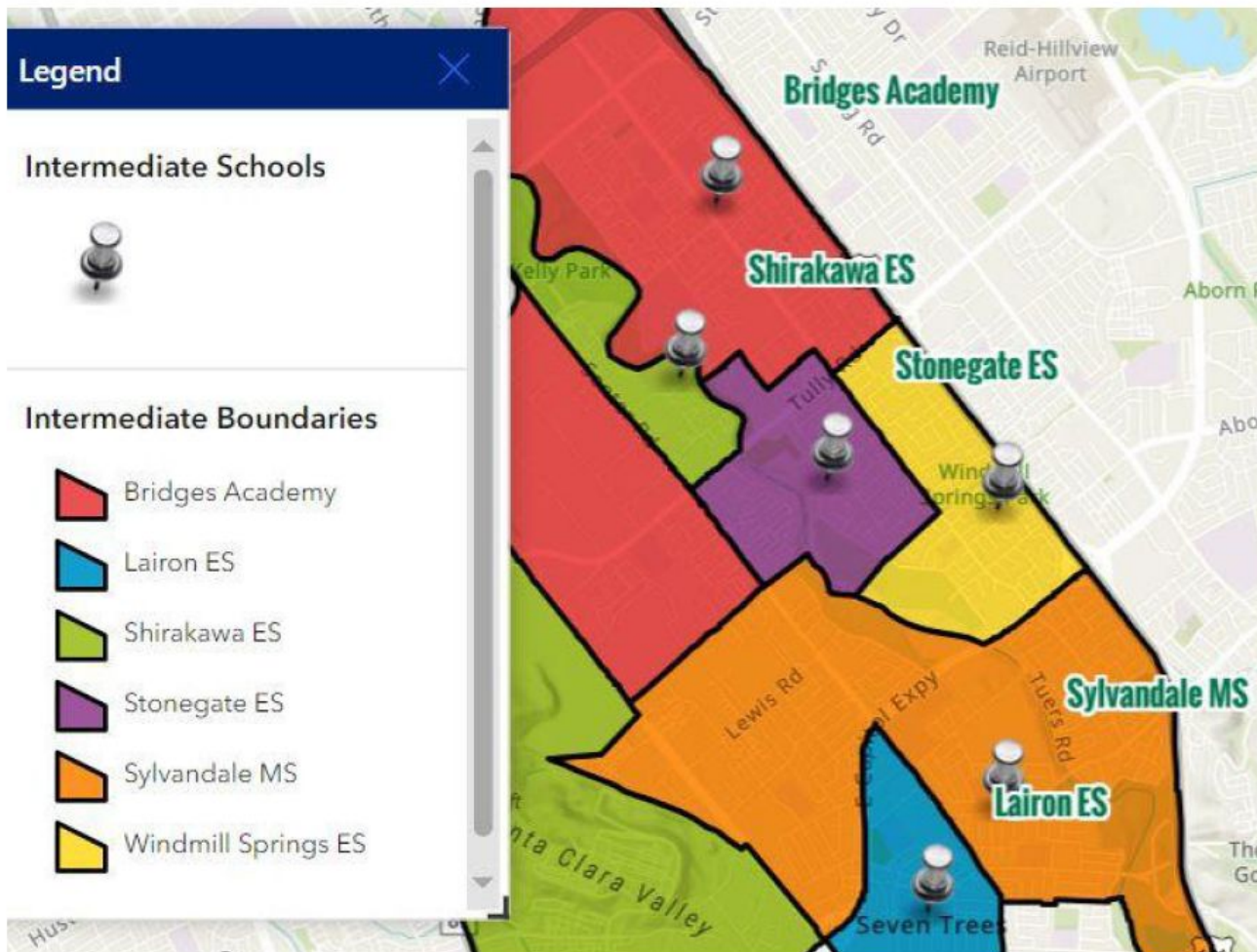
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Our Schools

FMSD School Site	Current Grade Levels	Recently Modernized	Charter Next to School (Grade level)
Dahl	TK-6	No	
Franklin	TK-6	Yes	
Hellyer	TK-6	No	Voices (5-8)
Kennedy	PK/TK-6	No	Alpha Cornerstone (TK-8)
Lairon	4-8	Yes	
Los Arboles	PK/K-3	No	KIPP Heritage (5-8)
McKinley	PK/K-6	No	
Meadows	K-6	No	
Ramblewood	K-6	No	
Santee	PK/TK-6	No	
Shirakawa	K-8	No	
Stonegate	PK/TK-8	No	
Windmill	TK-8	Yes	
<i>Total Elementary Capacity</i>			
Bridges Academy	7-8	Yes	ACE Esperanza (5-8)
College Connection Academy	7-8	No	
Sylvandale MS	7-8	Yes	Rocketship Spark (TK-5)







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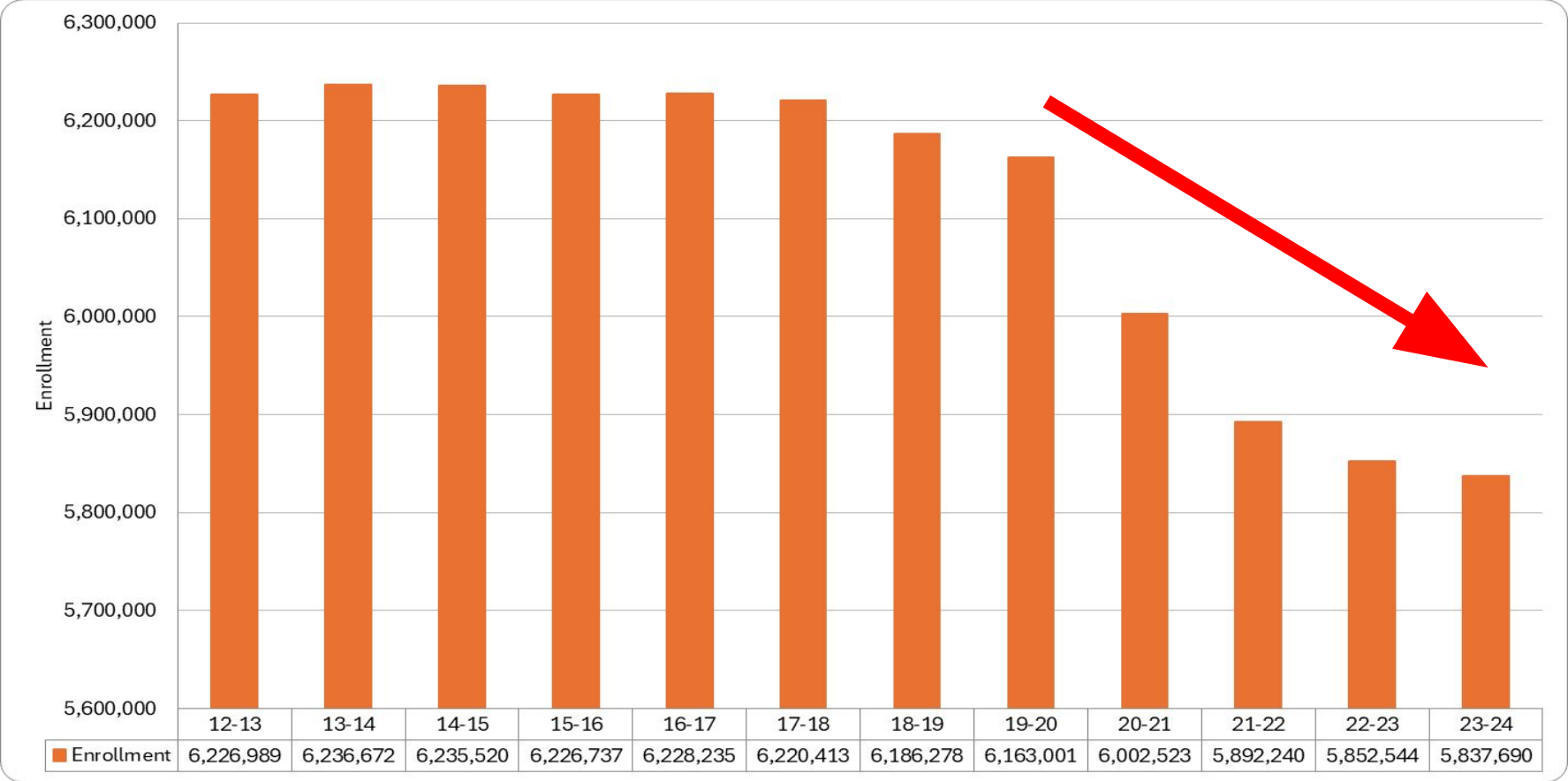
Need for Consolidation

How Did We Get Here

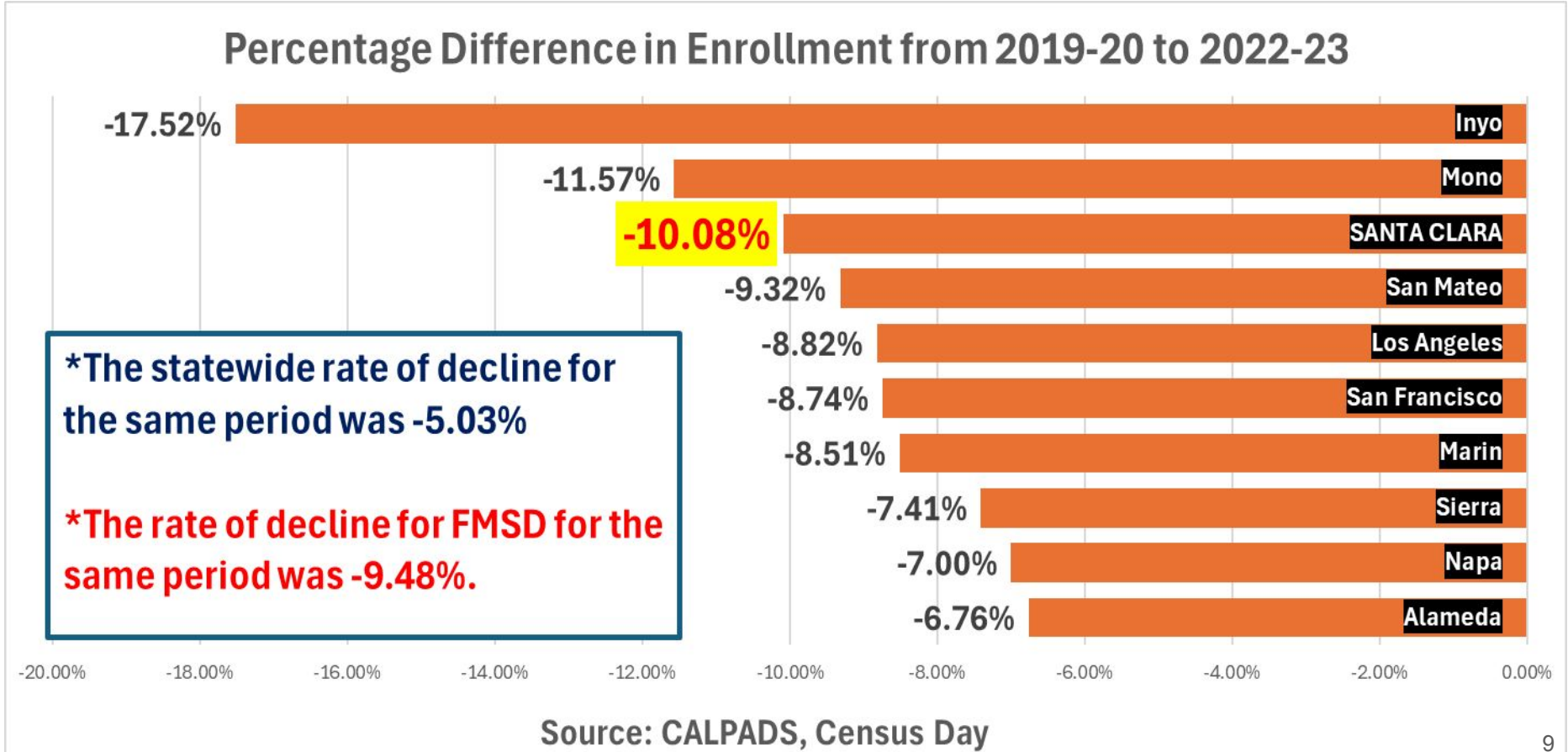
As enrollment decreases, school revenue decreases but operational costs remain high

- **Enrollment decreased by 40%** from 11-12 @ 9,673 to 24-25 @ 5,766
 - COVID and rising Cost of Living have accelerated enrollment decline
- **Revenue decreasing by \$18M** from 23-24 @ \$134.8M to 24-25 @ \$116.8M (proj. as of Jan. 2025)
 - One-time COVID funds are fully exhausted
 - Current parcel taxes do not increase to match inflation
- **Expenditures increasing by \$4.9M** from 23-24 @ \$138.6 to 24-25 @ \$143.5M (proj. as of Jan. 2025)

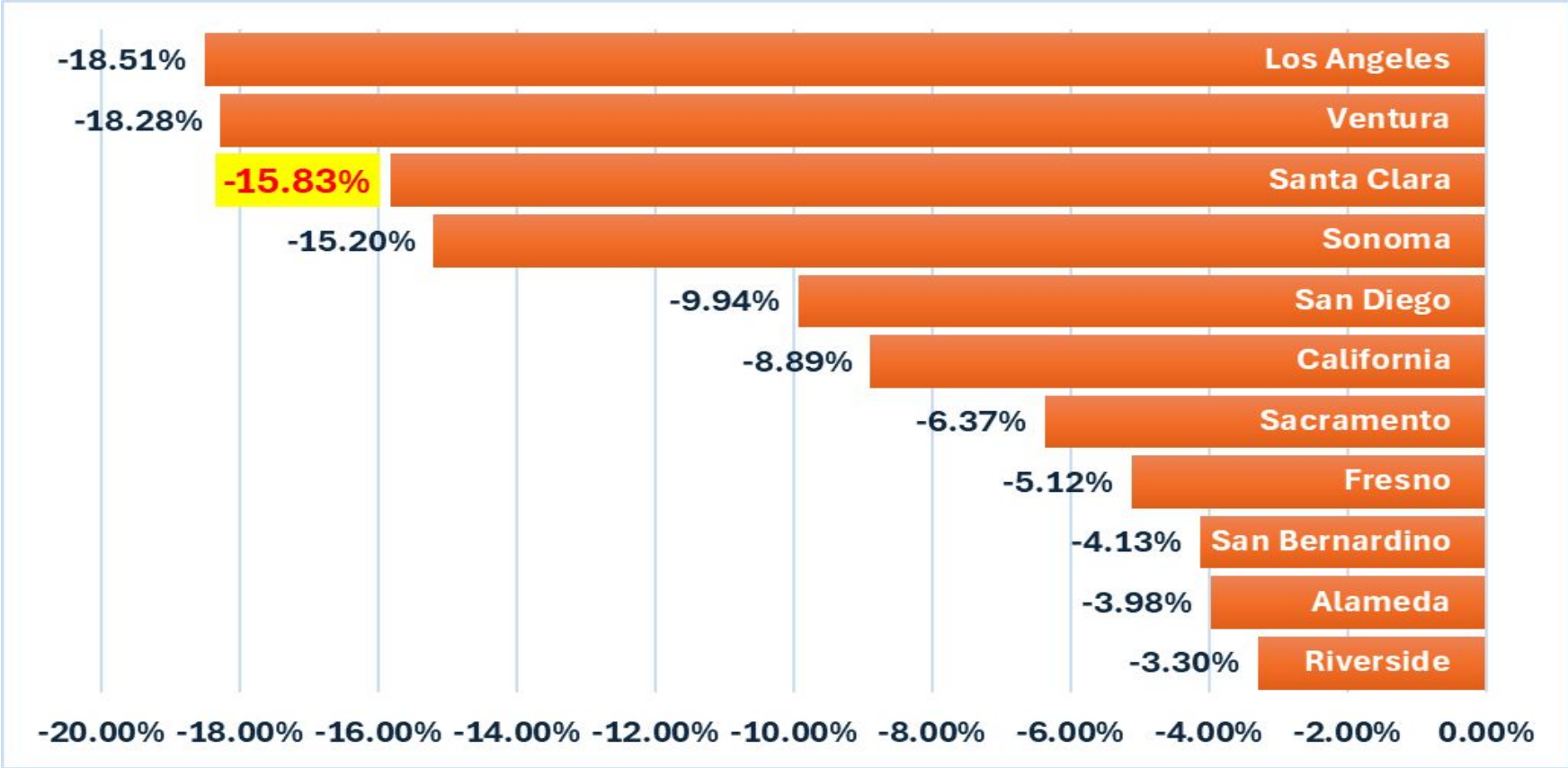
California Enrollment (K-12) Dropped by 6.25% Since 12-13



Santa Clara County: Among Top 3 Fastest Declining Counties

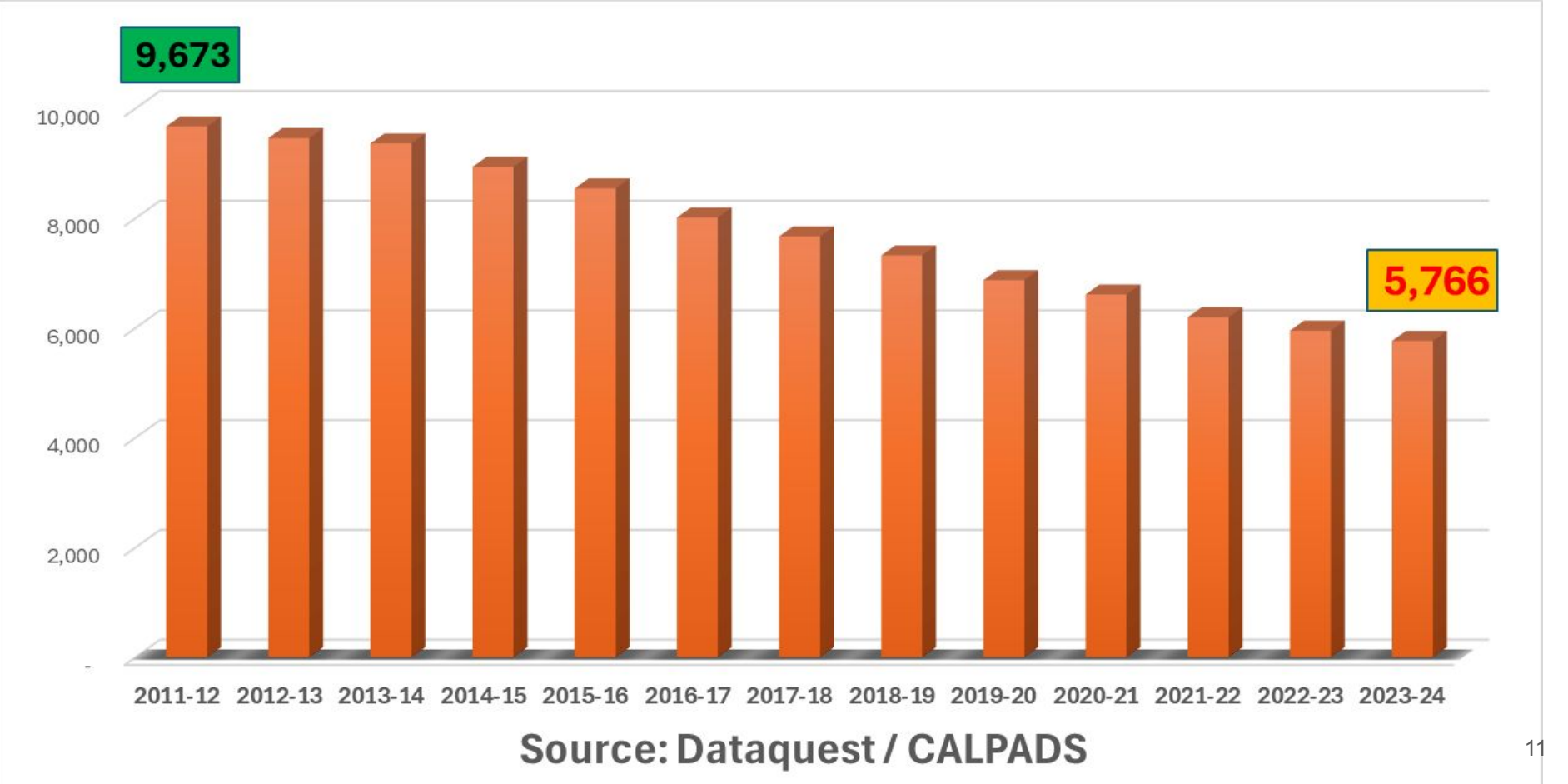


Projected Declines in School Age Individuals 2020-2031

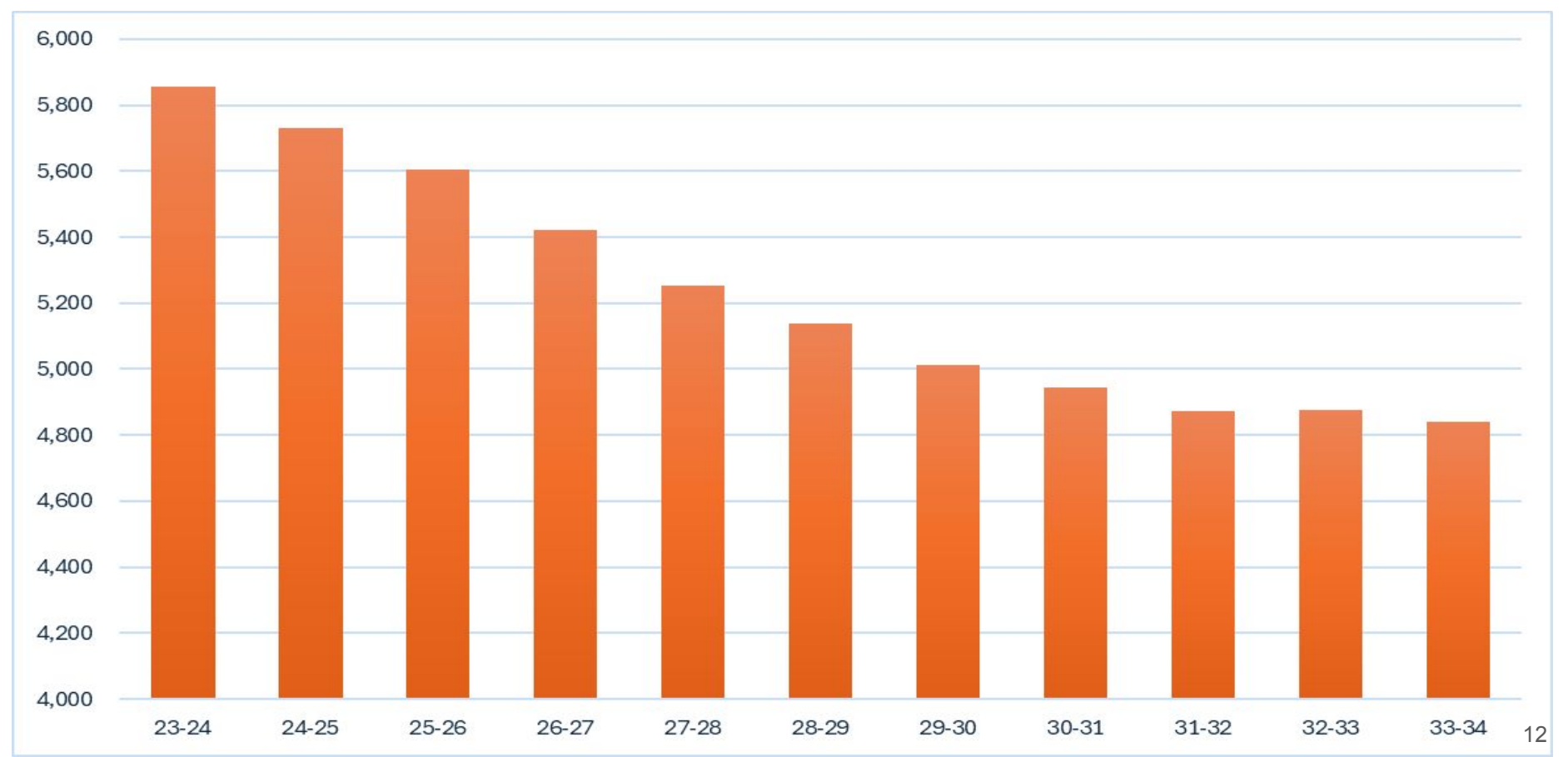


Source: CA Department of Finance / FCMAT

FMSD Enrollment Decline was **-40.34%** [From 2011-12 to 2023-24]



PowerSchool Proj. - 17.3% Decline from 23-24 to 33-34





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Budget Update

Changes Since FMSD's Adopted 24-25 Budget

- **Ending Balance for FY 23-24 higher due to savings**
- **Parcel Tax Measure on the November Ballot Passed**
- **State's Adopted Budget & Demographics Increased Revenue**
 - Higher percentage of students identified as (1) English learners or (2) meet income or categorical eligibility requirements for free or reduced-price meals or (3) foster youth
 - Home to School Transportation Revenue Increased
 - Lottery Revenue Funding per ADA Increased
 - California Community Schools Partnership and other grants
- **Classified Union Members Received a Raise**
- **Other Pending Adjustments**
 - Health Care Premium Increases
 - Impact of Negotiations
- **Cuts Needed to Balance Budget**
 - \$22.9M cut before July 1, 2025
 - \$4M more still needed before July 1, 2026

Board Direction on Consolidation Committee

- Board direction to consolidate/close schools to address projected budget shortfalls and declining enrollment.
- 9/10/24 – Board voted unanimously to establish a School Consolidation Advisory Committee (SCAC) to make recommendations to the Board.
- This process is similar to what is occurring in school districts across the state, and follows California Department of Education guidance.



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SCAC Process

Committee Officers

- Magdalena Moore, Chair
- Vanessa Fonseca, Vice Chair
- Ella Mullenex, Secretary

Overview of SCAC Meetings

- Committee met from October 17, 2024, to January 22, 2025
- Total of 7 meetings
- Open to the public

Committee Considered CDE's Criteria

- Capacity
- Student Demographics
- Condition of School Facilities
- Operating Costs
- Special Programs
- Transportation Needs
- Aesthetics and Community Impacts
- Environmental Factors
- Impact on Feeder School Attendance Patterns

The Committee:

- Received and studied data
- Asked questions of staff
- Received public comment
- Held breakout groups

Results of Breakout Groups (1/8/2025)

Schools Identified for Potential Closure v. Non-Closure			
School	Current Grades	Closure (# of Nominations)	Non-Closure (# of Nominations)
Dahl	TK-6	4	
Franklin	TK-6		4
Hellyer	TK-6		3
Kennedy	TK-6	1	2
Lairon	4-8		3*
Los Arboles	K-3	4	
McKinley	K-6	4	
Meadows	K-6		3
Ramblewood	K-6	4	
Santee	TK-6	4	
Shirakawa	K-8		2
Stonegate	TK-8	1	2
Windmill	TK-8		4**
CCA	7-8		3
Bridges	7-8	1	2
Sylvandale	7-8		2
* Two groups identified Los Arboles as merging with Lairon.			
** One group recommended Windmill staying open as a dual language TK-5 or TK-6; One group recommended Windmill staying open as a K-6.			

Results of Breakout Groups (Cont'd)

Schools Identified to Maintain as TK-8 or K-8		
School	Current Grades	Tally
Shirakawa	K-8	3***
Stonegate	TK-8	3
Windmill	TK-8	2
*** Two groups recommended Shirakawa become a TK-8		
<i>Note: The committee previously indicated that it favors all elementary schools ending at 5th grade, with 6th grade moving to middle schools, and with certain schools remaining TK-8 or K-8. In the breakout session, one group specifically recommended that Sylvandale and Bridges reconfigure as grades 6-8.</i>		



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SCAC Recommendations

Unanimously adopted on 1/22/25

Schools recommended for closure at the end of the 2024-2025 school year:

Consensus:

- **Los Arboles**
- **Ramblewood**
- **McKinley**

Possible/Non-Consensus:

- **Dahl**
- **Santee**
- **Kennedy**

Grade reconfigurations recommended for the 2025-2026 school year:

Reconfiguring the middle schools 6-8, with the exception of CCA. All remaining elementary schools reconfigure K-5.

Consider 2 of the 3 schools for K-8, with the third school becoming K-5.

- **Shirakawa**
- **Stonegate**
- **Windmill**