

May 6, 2026
Dr. James Scott Smith
Superintendent
St. Mary's County Public Schools
23160 Moakley Street, Suite 109
Leonardtown, MD 20650

Dear Dr. James Scott Smith

Thank you for submitting St. Mary's County Public Schools enrollment projections for 2026-2035, in accordance with the regulations of the Interagency Commission on School Construction (IAC).

The Maryland Department of Planning reviewed your submission and compared your data to the school enrollment projections generated by the State Data & Analysis Center (see attached) and have found the difference to be less than five percent for the years 2026-2035. Therefore, your projections can be used to prepare your 2026 Educational Facilities Master Plan (EFMP) and 2027 Capital Improvement Program submissions.

When preparing your EFMP submission, please ensure the 2025 actual enrollment on your calculation worksheet is consistent with the official enrollment figure generated by the Maryland State Department of Education. The Maryland Department of Planning recognizes the Maryland State Department of Education's K-12 enrollment figure as the official enrollment for the 2025/2026 school year.

We look forward to receiving your EFMP in July. A copy of this letter and its attachment should be included in the plan. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me at alfred.sundara@maryland.gov or (410) 767-4456.

Sincerely,



Alfred Sundara, AICP
Assistant Secretary, State Data & Analysis Center

cc: Alex Donahue, Executive Director, Interagency Commission on School Construction
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Graham Twibell, Regional Planner, Interagency Commission on School Construction

Jurisdiction	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035
St. Mary's	16,068	15,850	15,736	15,588	15,547	15,535	15,469	15,507	15,516	15,615	15,658
MDP	16,068	16,060	16,100	16,100	16,140	16,200	16,240	16,280	16,290	16,360	16,440
Diff	0	-210	-364	-512	-593	-665	-771	-773	-774	-745	-782
% Diff	0.00%	-1.31%	-2.26%	-3.18%	-3.67%	-4.10%	-4.75%	-4.75%	-4.75%	-4.55%	-4.76%