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SCHOOL DISTRICT



Building for the Future

MMSD by the Numbers:

52
Schools

4 Comprehensive high schools
4 Alternative high schools
12 Middle schools
32 Elementary schools

7,095
Staff

18% Teachers of color
30% Staff of color

5,000
Volunteers

200+
Partnerships

25,003
Students

2nd Largest in Wisconsin

Asian 7%

Black or African American 18%

Hispanic 26%

White 39%

Two or more races 10%



Students Receiving Special Education Services



Economically Disadvantaged



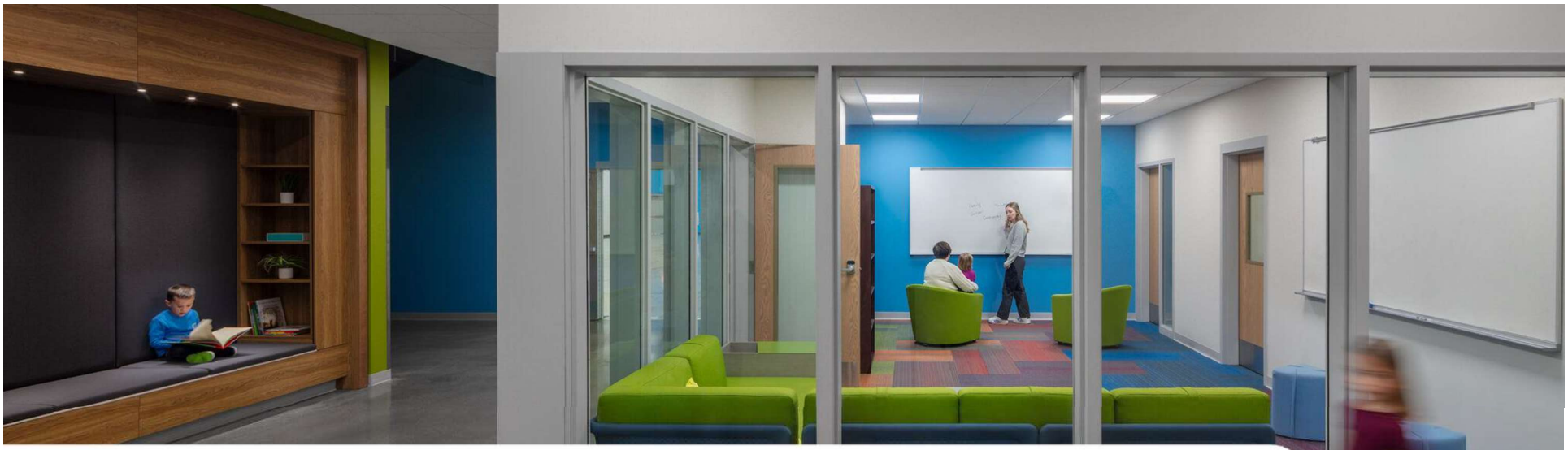
English Learners

117 **Languages Spoken**

21 Schools offer dual-language immersion

2 Schools offer Hmong Bilingual Program

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Community Support...

2015

79.6% of voters voted “yes” to a $41 million capital referendum for additions and improved accessibility renovations for over a dozen schools.

2016

80% of voters voted “yes” to grant MMSD authorization to levy an additional $26 million in an operating referendum.

2020

76.4% of voters voted “yes” to a $33 million operating referendum while ta $300 million capital referendum was up by an even wider margin, with 79.6% voting “yes.”

2024

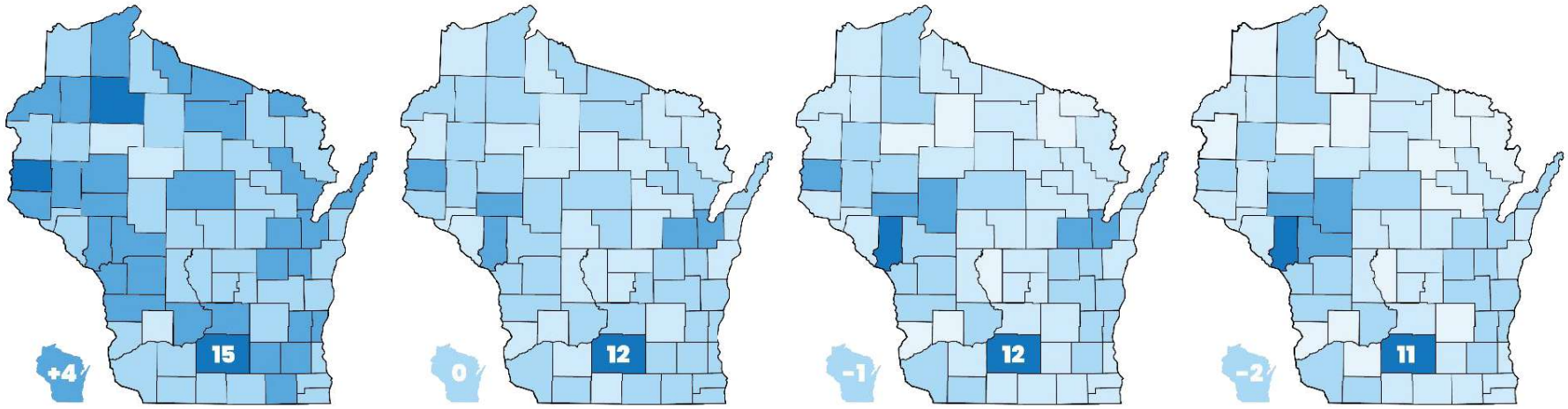
72% of voters voted “yes” to a $507 million capital referendum while the $100 million operational referendum passed with 69% voting “yes.”

Why This, Why Now?

The City of Madison is actively planning to address its housing challenges, focusing on increasing housing supply and affordability. A key initiative is the “Housing Forward” plan, which aims to add 15,000 new housing units by 2030.

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By 2050...



Actual Population
2010-2020
(rounded percentage)

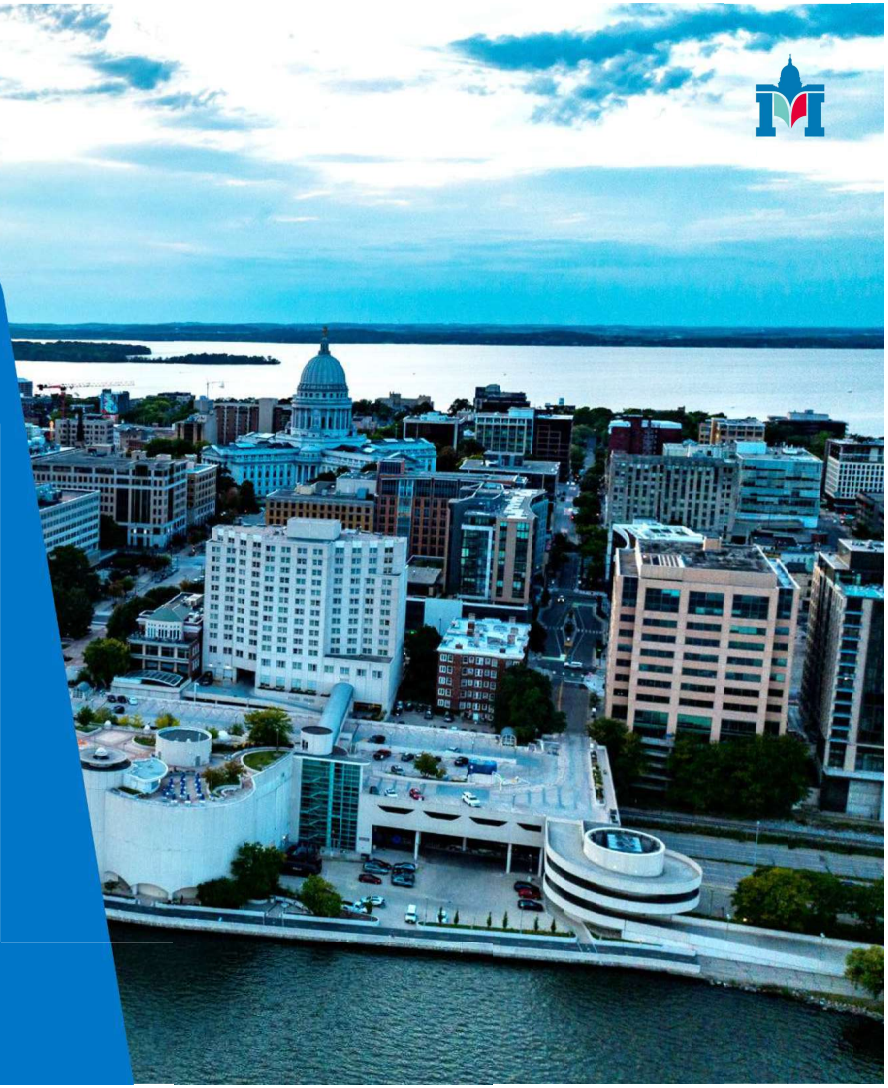
Projected Population
2020-2030
(rounded percentage)

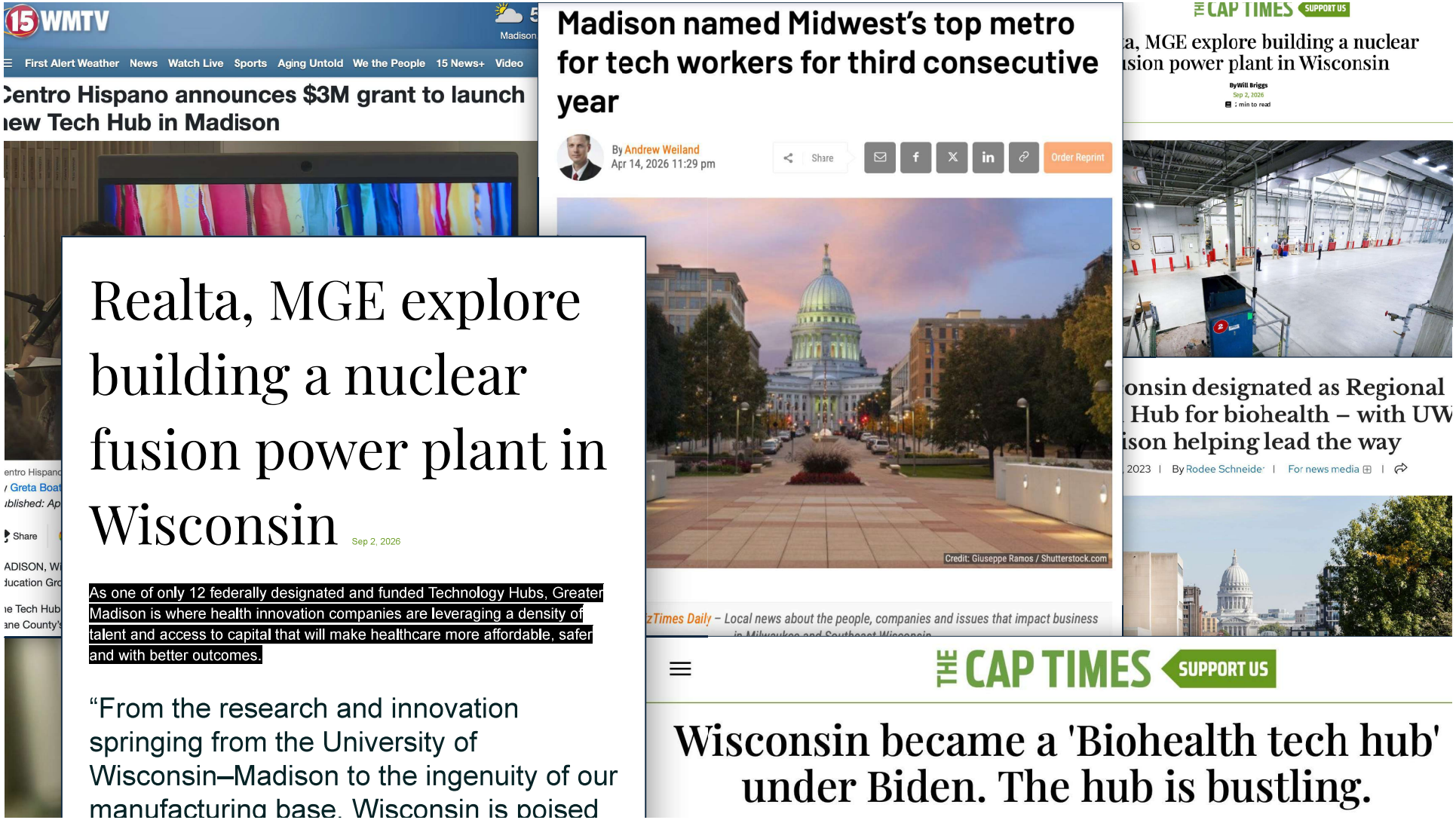
Projected Population
2030-2040
(rounded percentage)

Projected Population
2040-2050
(rounded percentage)

100,000

New Neighbors by 2050




15 WMTV
Madison
First Alert Weather News Watch Live Sports Aging Untold We the People 15 News+ Video
Centro Hispano announces $3M grant to launch new Tech Hub in Madison
Madison named Midwest's top metro for tech workers for third consecutive year
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Apr 14, 2026 11:29 pm
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Realta, MGE explore building a nuclear fusion power plant in Wisconsin
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As one of only 12 federally designated and funded Technology Hubs, Greater Madison is where health innovation companies are leveraging a density of talent and access to capital that will make healthcare more affordable, safer and with better outcomes.
"From the research and innovation springing from the University of Wisconsin–Madison to the ingenuity of our manufacturing base, Wisconsin is poised
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a, MGE explore building a nuclear sion power plant in Wisconsin
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onsin designated as Regional Hub for biohealth – with UW ison helping lead the way
2023 | By Rodee Schneider | For news media
zTimes Daily – Local news about the people, companies and issues that impact business
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Wisconsin became a 'Biohealth tech hub' under Biden. The hub is bustling.

#3

Market for Concentration

of software engineers employed in the U.S. tech industry (65%), behind Seattle and SF area

#6

Educational Attainment Rate

among all markets (behind D.C., SF area, Austin, Boston and Denver)

#2

Metro with Highest Concentration

of residents in their twenties (17%, with 9.3% growth between 2017-2022)



Madison is Complex



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Boundary Review

Enrollment Strategy

Long Range Facilities Plan

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Goals for Building for the **Future**

Ensure space for Full day, 5 day a week 4K.

Expand our programming options (STEM, DLI, Arts etc.) by maximizing schools and school spaces

Achieve 75% to 85% overall facility utilization across district schools, adjusting capacity for high-growth areas and ensuring a minimum 75% utilization rate for programs such as Dual Language Immersion (DLI)

Establish formal attendance areas that include Sprecher elementary and Acacia Ridge middle school as well as alternative scenarios that do not include these two school

Building for the Future Guiding Principles

Utilization:
Consider school capacities, growth trends, and work to balance utilization at the current, 5-year, and 10-year forecasted trends.

Demographics:
Taking a district-wide perspective by considering socio-economic, linguistic, and racial diversity within and across schools.

Transportation & Neighborhoods:
Work to maintain neighborhood schools, maximize proximity to home/walkability (e.g., not having to cross busy streets, railroad tracks, and consider natural boundaries), and work towards limiting the time spent on a bus.

Minimize Impact:
Minimize the number of students impacted by attendance area adjustments. Create stability to the greatest extent possible

Programming:
Consider attendance area impacts to special programming (Dual Language Immersion, Performing Arts, students with IEPS,Science Technology Engineering, (Arts) Math (STEAM and/or STEM).

Key Partners

- City of Madison Alders
- Community Development Authority (CDA)
- City of Madison and Fitchburg Planning Divisions
- Residential Developers
- Greater Madison Chamber
- Local Post Secondary Institutions
- Realtors Groups



SCHOOL BUS

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Building for the Future: Timeline

July–September 2025	October 2025 – February 2026	February 2026 – January 2027	February 2027
Initiation	**Preparation**	**Community Input**	**Final Recommendations**
Project Kickoff Data gathering Development research Current boundaries	Analyze data Student forecasts Utilization analysis Guiding Principles	Iterative scenarios Community forums Community feedback Refine scenarios	Final recommendations Maps and reports Board engagement and vote

Thank You!

