

NEW SCHOOL CONSIDERATIONS OAKLEAF/LAKE ASBURY AREAS

A. CURRENT CAPITAL PROJECTS PLAN

1. ELEMENTARY "W" (EAST OAKLEAF) – 2008/09
2. ELEMENTARY "Z" (WEST OAKLEAF) – 2008/09
3. ELEMENTARY "X" (LAKE ASBURY) – 2009/10

B. ISSUES

1. PRIORITY NEEDS OF NEW SCHOOLS
2. FUNDING AVAILABILITY – TWO (2) SCHOOLS
3. ADVANCEMENT OF ELEMENTARY "X" TO 2008/09
4. OPENING THREE (3) SCHOOLS SAME YEAR
5. GAMBLE FOR ANTICIPATING 2007/08 FUNDING FROM LEGISLATURE
6. BEGINNING ENROLLMENT FOR ELEMENTARY "Z"
7. GRADE ORGANIZATION FOR OAKLEAF SCHOOLS
8. RESTRUCTURE OF PRIORITIES
9. FINAL DECISION TIMING

C. OAKLEAF NEW SCHOOL ENROLLMENT PROJECTIONS/LEVEL OF SERVICE (LOS)

1. SCENARIO #1 – GRADE STRUCTURE (K-5)
 - A) ELEMENTARY "W": CAPACITY - 1,000
2008/09 – 914; LOS – 91%
2013/14 – 1009; LOS 101%
 - B) ELEMENTARY "Z": CAPACITY – 1000
2008/09 – 397; LOS – 40%
2013/14 – 824; LOS – 82%
 - C) OAKLEAF SCHOOL (6-8); CAPACITY – 1568
2008/09 – 776; LOS – 50%
2013/14 – 1250; LOS – 80%
2. SCENARIO #2 – GRADE STRUCTURE (K-6)
 - A) ELEMENTARY "W": CAPACITY – 1000
2008/09 – 1086; LOS – 109%
2013/14 – 1223; LOS – 122%
 - B) ELEMENTARY "Z": CAPACITY – 1000
2008/09 – 581; LOS – 58%
2013/14 – 1446; LOS – 145%

- C) OAKLEAF SCHOOL (7-8): CAPACITY – 1568
2008/09 – 623; LOS – 40%
2013/14 – 1003; LOS – 64%

D. LAKE ASBURY ELEMENTARY ENROLLMENT PROJECTION/LEVEL OF SERVICE (LOS)

CAPACITY – 1084
CURRENT ENROLLMENT – 1396; LOS – 129%
2008/09 – 1557; LOS – 144%
2009/10 – 1713; LOS – 158%
2013/14 – N/A – ELEMENTARY “X” WILL BE ON LINE

E. OPTIONS

1. MAINTAIN ELEMENTARY “W” AND “Z” SCHOOLS ON SCHEDULE WITH A K-5 GRADE ORGANIZATION. ADVANCE ELEMENTARY “X” AND HOPE FOR SUFFICIENT FUNDING IN 2007/08.
2. MAINTAIN ELEMENTARY “W” AND “Z” SCHOOLS ON SCHEDULE WITH A K-6 GRADE ORGANIZATION. ADVANCE ELEMENTARY “X” AND HOPE FOR SUFFICIENT FUNDING IN 2007/08.
3. MAINTAIN ELEMENTARY “W” ON SCHEDULE WITH A K-5 GRADE ORGANIZATION. DELAY ELEMENTARY “Z” TO 2009/10. ADVANCE ELEMENTARY “X” TO 2008/09.
4. MAINTAIN ELEMENTARY “W” ON SCHEDULE WITH A K-6 GRADE ORGANIZATION. DELAY ELEMENTARY “Z” TO 2009/10. ADVANCE ELEMENTARY “X” TO 2008/09.

F. RECOMMENDATION

MAINTAIN ELEMENTARY “W” ON SCHEDULE WITH A K-5 GRADE ORGANIZATION. DELAY ELEMENTARY “Z” TO 2009/10. MAINTAIN OAKLEAF SCHOOL AS A K-8 UNTIL 2009/10 WITH THE 6TH GRADE COMING FROM ELEMENTARY “W’S” ATTENDANCE BOUNDARY AND WEST OF BRANAN FIELD ROAD. ADVANCE ELEMENTARY “X” TO 2008/09.

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Subject: School capacity and grade configuration

The Instructional Division recommends the following:

1. Open 1 new elementary school in the Oakleaf area in 2008 with the grade configuration of K-5.
2. Keep OLS a K-8 school for at least another two school years. However, we believe we should stand firm on not allowing 6th graders to participate in the school sports program. If this configuration results in all of our schools going K-5 in the future we would be willing to re-visit the sports rule at that time. To allow 6th graders to play at one school and not another would be inequitable at a minimum and create all kinds of problems at a maximum.
3. Open 1 new elementary school in the Lake Asbury area in 2008 as a K-6.
4. Delay the opening of the second elementary school at OLS until at least 2009. We feel the OLS K-8 will be able to handle the growth for at least two years if not more.
5. We recommend opening only two schools a year if at all possible due to the strain on our HR/IS departments. You are talking about hiring approximately 1000 teachers in one summer by opening two schools at the same time. If we can live without opening 3 at once I think that would be the smart thing to do.

We believe going to the K-5 configuration is the way to go for all of our 6th graders due to the requirements of the new A++ plan. Currently, if a 6th grader fails a subject he must be retained. If 6th grade is left in the elementary configuration there is virtually no capacity to offer a 6th grader who failed English but passed Science and Math 7th grade Science and Math. If he/she were at a 6-8 school we would be able to make accommodations in his/her schedule.