# **UPCOMING STUDIES**& FACILITY PLANNING

2025-2026



### BACKGROUND

In fall 2024, the district identified three key challenges impacting our facilities that need to be further explored.

- Enrollment decline over the past 10 years
- 4K/Early Childhood space constraints within elementary schools coupled with decreasing community partner sites
- Aging infrastructure at the Junior High

### **UPCOMING STUDIES**

To explore these facility challenges, we are partnering with construction management firm Findorff and architect and engineering firm Somerville to support long-range facility planning. Future studies include:



### **Facility study**

Assesses maintenance conditions, educational space opportunities and challenges, and capacity of our school buildings



#### **Enrollment study**

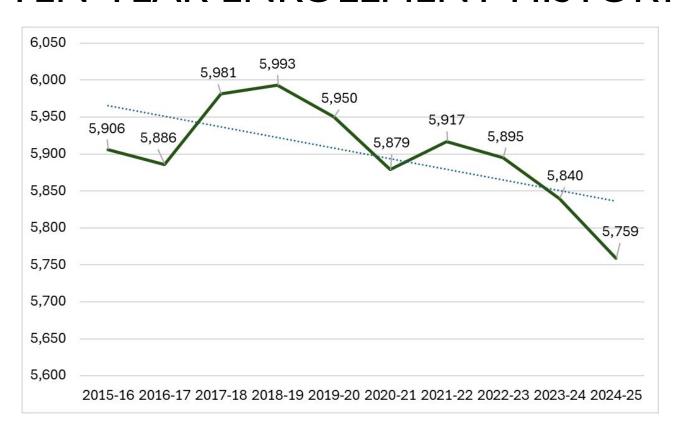
The UW-Applied Population Lab will provide future trends and projections.



#### **District-wide**

Educational space needs for 4K/Early Childhood (and all grade levels) will be considered and assessed across all school buildings.

## TEN-YEAR ENROLLMENT HISTORY



# ENROLLMENT DECLINE

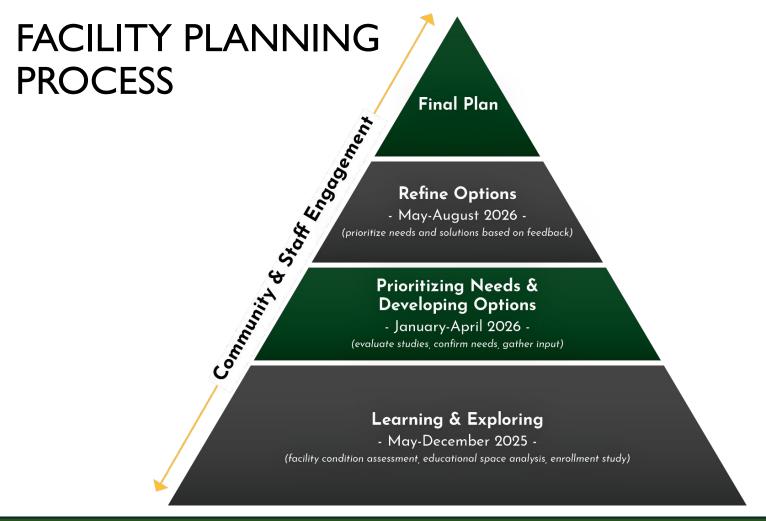
-127 student membership the past 10 years

### HOW WILL THE STUDY IMPACT STAFF?

- When reporting back in late summer and throughout the fall, you may see partners walking around buildings as they conduct facility assessments. This should not disrupt teaching and learning.
- 4K/EC and Junior High staff will receive a **staff survey** to be completed **before the end of the school year**. Your feedback is necessary!
- The district will continue to communicate any updates, as well as share dates of upcoming engagement opportunities
  staff is strongly encouraged to attend!

### **HOW WILL THE STUDY IMPACT STUDENTS & FAMILIES?**

- In the 2025-26 school year, students may see **facility planning partners walking around buildings** as they conduct their building assessments. This should not be disruptive to teaching and learning.
- The district will continue to communicate any updates, as well as share dates of upcoming community engagement opportunities families are strongly encouraged to attend!



### OUR COMMITMENTS TO YOU

Throughout our facility planning efforts we will work with you to understand your needs, vision, and challenges.

We will share updates as more information becomes known, and will continue to ask for your feedback to ensure we remain aligned.

### **NEXT STEPS**

- Attend an Informational Session on June 3 or 6.
- Complete the staff survey before June 18.
- Stay tuned for updates as we continue moving forward in our long-range facility planning.
- Contact with questions, concerns, or follow-up needs: Dr. Casey Nye // cnye@dce.k12.wi.us
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Check your email!

# **QUESTIONS?**

Thank you for your time and continuing to make an impact!

