

# Madison Schools Renewal Plan Public Forum

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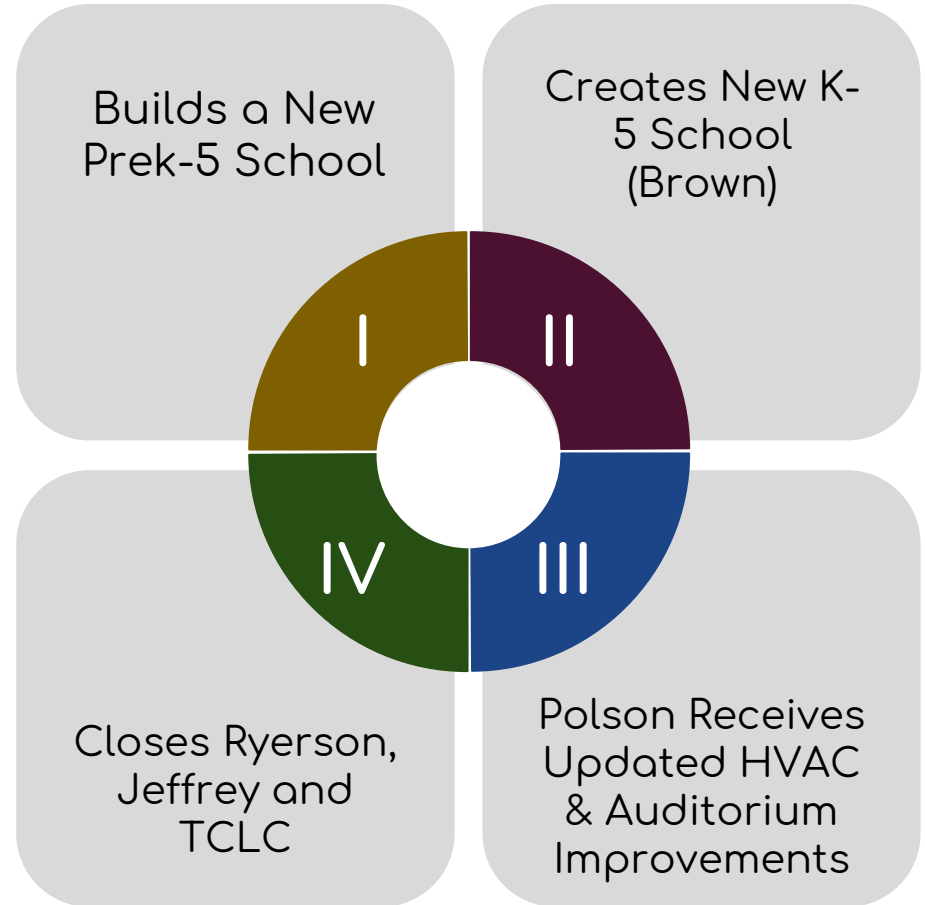




# Tonight's Public Forum Agenda

- ❖ Share the Board of Education's work to date on a potential building referendum
- ❖ Public Participation: Question and Answer Session
- ❖ Board of Education discussion on potential referendum dates

# Referendum being considered would do what?



# New Prek - 5 School

- Energy efficient
- Full size gym for Elementary - 6,000 square feet
- 100% AC
- Will meet CT High Performance Building Standards
- 600 students
- 82,000+/- square feet
- Will meet school security infrastructure standards
- Replaces 20 year old TCLC portables

# Converts Brown School to a K-5 School

- ❑ Converts 5 classrooms to 4 Kindergarten classrooms
- ❑ Bathroom and ADA upgrades
- ❑ Security Upgrades
- ❑ Furniture renewal including library
- ❑ Outdoor classroom



## Existing Benefits of Brown

- ❑ Full size gym
- ❑ Auditorium (not typical for a K-5 school)
- ❑ 100% AC (except gym/locker room)
- ❑ Large updated outdoor play area
- ❑ Large Library

# Polson Updates

- 1960 Building
- Ventilation Systems Replacement
- Electrical Renovation
- Expand Air Conditioning System (50% of school is air conditioned now)
- Auditorium Upgrades/Improvements (auditorium is not air conditioned now)

# Possible Referendum Dates

## DECEMBER

				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

OR

## FEBRUARY

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# Possible Site Locations

Site #1



Site #2





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## Benefits

- Currently owned by Town
- Creates campus feel with connection to Polson and Hand

## Concerns

- Softball and Field Hockey fields will need to be relocated which would be expensive and take them off-line for 2-4 years
- Current Jeffrey School would be razed
- Construction in front of Polson for 18 months

# Site #2



## Concerns

- Land has not been purchased at this time
- Not as close to Polson and Hand
- Utilities will cost more

## Benefits

- Larger land than site #1
- Creates campus feel as it is close to Polson and Hand
- Maintains current Jeffrey as an asset
- Does not disrupt athletic fields

# Enrollment Projections

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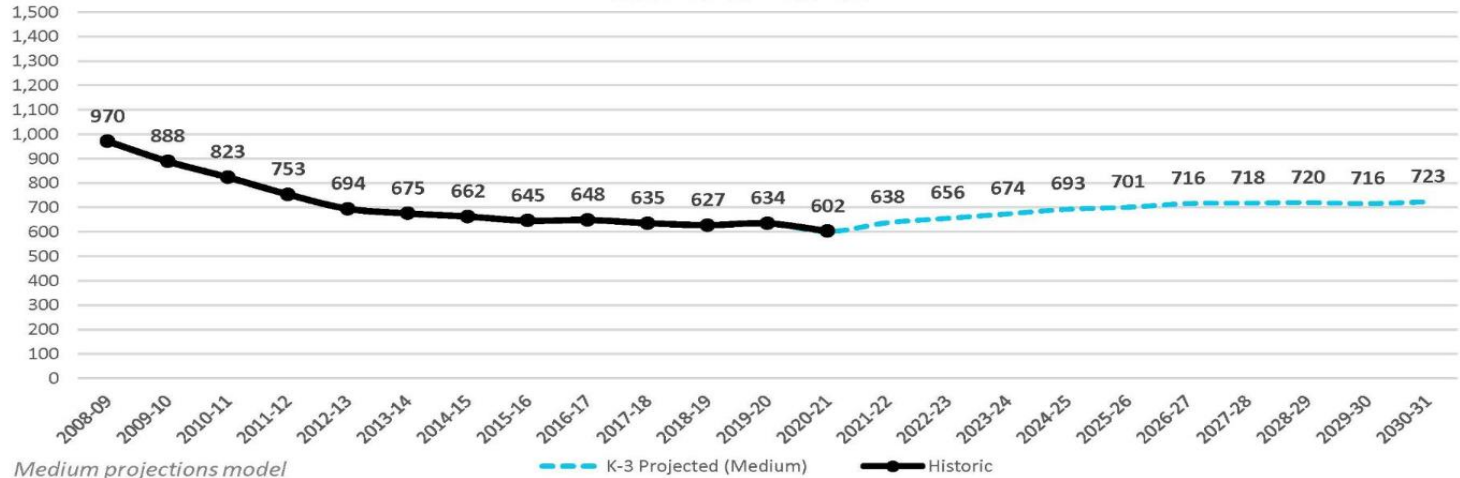
■ New Visitor ■ Returning Visitor





# Elementary Projections (Medium)

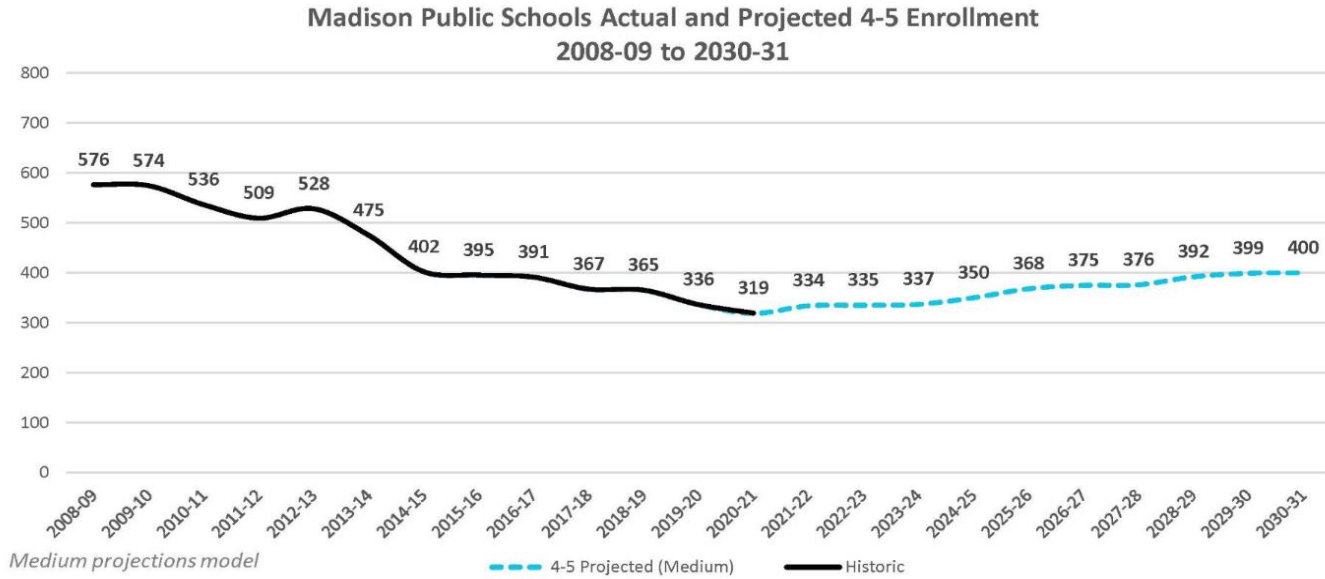
Madison Public Schools Actual and Projected K-3 Enrollment  
2008-09 to 2030-31



- **Enrollments projected to rebound next year as homeschool students, delayed entry students, and private school students return to MPS**
- **Projections show steady increase in elementary enrollment over the next five years as larger birth cohorts enter kindergarten**
- Elementary enrollment is projected to level off at about 720 students over the final five years of the projections



# Intermediate School Projections (Medium)



- **Brown Intermediate School enrollment projected to increase by 25.4% over the next ten years, reaching 400 students by 2030-31**

# Cost of Referendum VS. Not doing Referendum

**\$85 Million** Estimated Referendum cost

Estimated Referendum Cost:	\$85 Million
Estimated reimbursement from the state:	<u>\$10 Million</u>
Estimated net cost of the project to Madison:	\$75 Million

Remaining future CIP project costs on all schools post-referendum through 2026: \$44 Million



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- Supported by the Tri-Boards
- Combines Pre-k into an elementary school
- Average age of schools after new school is built = **35.5 years old**

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## \$100 Million

Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) alone

- CIP plan would cost **\$100 Million** on 5 schools



- Status of Pre-school and Pre-school building in Madison is not addressed
- No modernized learning spaces
- Still have aging school buildings - Average Age = **49 years old**

# Choice for the Town

Referendum Project: \$75  
Million  
CIP:

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# Operating Cost Savings Estimate

- Electrical - we anticipate saving **\$30,000** to potentially over **\$100,000** depending on the school that is build.
- Transportation - eliminate one school site and different time for drop off. Would be more efficient but not anticipating significant savings.
- Not anticipating overall staffing savings at this time.



# QUESTIONS PLEASE

