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Dr. Jon Bartelt, Superintendent

From: Ms. Valerie Varhalla, Director of Finance
Re: Enrollment Projections 2026 thru 2029

Date: January 27, 2025

Introduction

Enrollment forecasting is an important part of the budgeting process.

Administrators utilize the Cohort Survival Projection Method as a framework for determining numbers of students. This method predicts what the future population will be based upon the survival of the existing residents and the births that will occur. Sources used for deriving enrollment projections were, three years of historical data, projection of live births, enrollment reports from December 2024, as well as the Demographic report by Dr. John D. Kasarda for kindergarten in 2027-28.

Situation

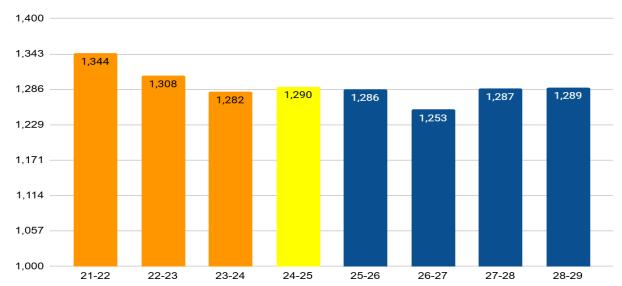
Using this information, a three year forecast of the District's enrollment was compiled. Please note the projections confidence levels lower the further the projections go out into the future. Based upon these projections here are some observations:

- Overall, the cohort projections remain steady for District 13's enrollment through 2026.
- Typically, the District has observed a student increase in students
 attending 1st grade. It appears that many of the students are from full day
 kindergarten programs elsewhere. With full day kindergarten in 2027-28,
 the District does expect a significant increase in kindergarten that year.
- Westfield's projected to have a smaller 6th and 7th grade and larger 8th grade in 25-26.
- DuJardin is projected to have a smaller 3rd grade and larger 5th grade in 25-26.
- Erickson is projected to have a larger 1st and smaller 4th grade in 25-26.
- Enrollment totals do not include the Early Childhood program.

RecommendationThere is no recommendation for this is an informational report.

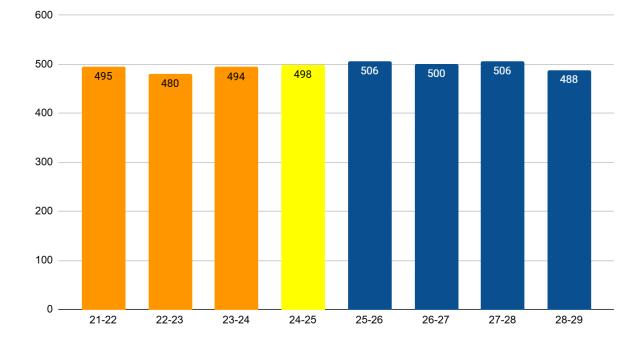
DISTRICT									
	HISTORICAL			CURRENT	FORECAST				
Year	21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26	26-27	27-28	28-29	
K	127	90	86	108	110	107	144	143	
1	142	135	110	100	123	127	125	144	
2	138	145	138	120	107	129	134	132	
3	139	147	156	145	120	112	131	134	
4	161	139	150	169	148	127	117	131	
5	142	172	148	150	172	151	130	117	
	849	828	788	792	780	753	781	801	
6	168	147	177	165	155	177	170	135	
7	155	168	146	184	165	155	178	173	
8	172	165	171	149	186	168	158	180	
	495	480	494	498	506	500	506	488	
Total	1,344	1,308	1,282	1,290	1,286	1,253	1,287	1,289	

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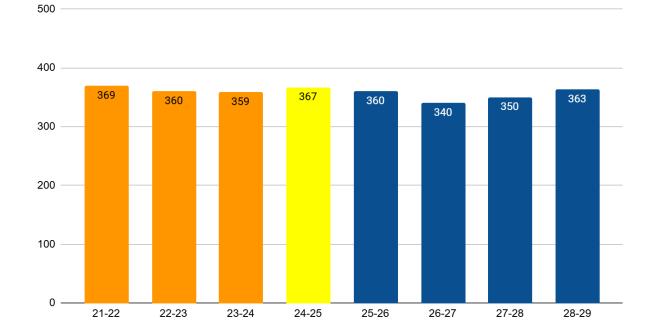
WESTFIELD										
	HISTORICAL			CURRENT	FORECAST					
Year	21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26	26-27	27-28	28-29		
6	168	147	177	165	155	177	170	135		
7	155	168	146	184	165	155	178	173		
8	172	165	171	149	186	168	158	180		
Total	495	480	494	498	506	500	506	488		
Change		-15	14	4	8	-6	6	-18		

Westfield



DUJARDIN									
	HISTORICAL CURRENT			FORECAST					
Year	21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26	26-27	27-28	28-29	
K	51	35	35	43	45	43	67	66	
1	66	58	47	45	52	53	53	67	
2	67	67	67	53	50	56	58	58	
3	62	70	74	76	53	53	57	58	
4	63	63	72	84	76	57	57	57	
5	60	67	64	66	84	78	58	57	
Total	369	360	359	367	360	340	350	363	
Change		-9	-1	8	-7	-20	10	13	

DuJardin



ERICKSON									
	HISTORICAL			CURRENT	FORECAST				
Year	21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26	26-27	27-28	28-29	
K	76	55	51	65	65	64	77	77	
1	76	77	63	55	71	74	72	77	
2	71	78	71	67	57	73	76	74	
3	77	77	82	69	67	59	74	76	
4	98	76	78	85	72	70	60	74	
5	82	105	84	84	88	73	72	60	
Total	480	468	429	425	420	413	431	438	
Change		-12	-39	-4	-5	-7	18	7	

Erickson

