

**ITEM FOR ACTION AT A FUTURE MEETING****LONG RANGE FACILITY PLANNING RECOMMENDATIONS****SUMMARY**

The board will review and discuss long-range facility planning recommendations that were presented for board consideration on February 3. The superintendent's recommendations, which stem from the work of the Long-Range Facility Planning Committee. The recommendations do not suggest changes for school locations, attendance boundaries or facility use, but provide guidance to inform future facility planning.

**BACKGROUND**

The Long-Range Facility Planning Committee, an advisory committee composed of community members from across the district, was reconvened and expanded in spring 2025, and since then has been meeting regularly to study the district's current circumstances and develop recommendations to support every student to have access to safe, well-maintained schools and high-quality, equitable learning environments.

The committee first created a set of guiding principles, called "North Stars," to shape its review. These principles focused on making sure our school facilities support the goals that students are known and supported, resources are used equitably and sustainably, schools foster belonging, and students are prepared for future success.

The committee reviewed extensive data about enrollment forecasts, school boundaries, building conditions and utilization, and district finances; considered key challenges facing the district, including declining enrollment, aging facilities, uneven enrollment patterns and budget pressures; identified the impacts if no action is taken, such as growing inequities between schools and reduced resources for students; agreed on a shared problem statement; and considered planning implications to guide next steps.

The committee developed a set of recommendations to the superintendent intended to support data-informed decision-making and long-range planning aligned with projected enrollment and facility availability and needs. The superintendent and staff reviewed the committee's output and brought forward the recommendations (with some rewording for clarity) to the school board for consideration on February 3. This work session provides an additional opportunity to review, ask questions and discuss the recommendations before taking action.

**RECOMMENDATION**

The recommendations to inform for future facility planning are presented for further review and discussion, and will come before the board for approval at its next meeting in March.

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