

Agenda Item IF2 - Elementary School Capacity Study December 12, 2024

Purpose:

The purpose of this agenda item is to inform the Board of the superintendent's plan to initiate an elementary school enrollment capacity study.

Background:

Portland State University's 2023 forecasted enrollment report indicated that Molalla River Elementary School and Rural Dell Elementary Schools enrollment will be over capacity in 2025-2026 and the overcapacity situation is forecasted to worsen over the next 10 years.

The superintendent is initiating a study to examine at least four options to address the overcapacity and have a solution in place by Fall 2026. The four initial options include:

1. Boundary Change
2. Grade reconfiguration change
3. Satellite location(s)
4. Modular classrooms

The study will compile data on the four options, including one-time costs, on-going costs, feasibility, and pros/cons.

The superintendent will report to the Board the preliminary findings of the initial study and propose next steps in February / March 2025.