

RICHARD MONTGOMERY CLUSTER

CLUSTER PLANNING ISSUE

Planning Issue: The City of Rockville adopted the Rockville Pike Neighborhood Plan in March 2016. Additional residential units, mostly multi-family units, are allowed in the Rockville Pike corridor. This development would occur on either side of Rockville Pike, from the intersection at Veirs Mill Road at the north to Rollins Avenue in the south. Most of this area is in the Richard Montgomery Cluster. The plan will require the redevelopment of existing land uses and require significant roadway improvements. It is anticipated that the plan will take 20 to 30 years to build-out and the pace of construction will be market driven.

Student enrollment at elementary schools in the Richard Montgomery Cluster has increased over the past few years. The magnitude of enrollment growth in the cluster requires the opening of a new elementary school which is scheduled to open at the site of the former Hungerford Park Elementary School, located at 332 W. Edmonston Avenue in the City of Rockville. An addition project at Julius West Middle School opened in the 2016–2017 school year to accommodate growth in enrollment there.

SCHOOLS

Richard Montgomery High School

Capital Project: Projections indicate enrollment at Richard Montgomery High School will exceed capacity by 200 seats or more by the end of the six-year planning period. An FY 2016 appropriation was approved for facility planning to determine the feasibility, scope, and cost for a classroom addition. A date for the addition will be considered in a future CIP. Relocatable classrooms will be utilized until additional capacity can be added.

Beall Elementary School

Capital Project: Projections indicate enrollment at Beall Elementary School will exceed capacity by 92 seats or more throughout the six-year CIP planning period. Relocatable classrooms will be utilized until Richard Montgomery Cluster Elementary School #5 (Hungerford Park site) opens in September 2018.

Planning Study: A boundary study was conducted in spring 2017 to determine the service area for the new Richard Montgomery Elementary School #5. Representatives from the Beall, College Gardens, Ritchie Park, and Twinbrook elementary school service areas participated on the boundary advisory committee. Pursuant to the Board of Education action on November 18, 2010, the boundary study explored options to reassign the Chinese Immersion program from College Gardens Elementary School to another elementary school in the Richard Montgomery Cluster. Board of Education action is scheduled

for November 2017. The new elementary school is scheduled to open in September 2018.

College Gardens Elementary School

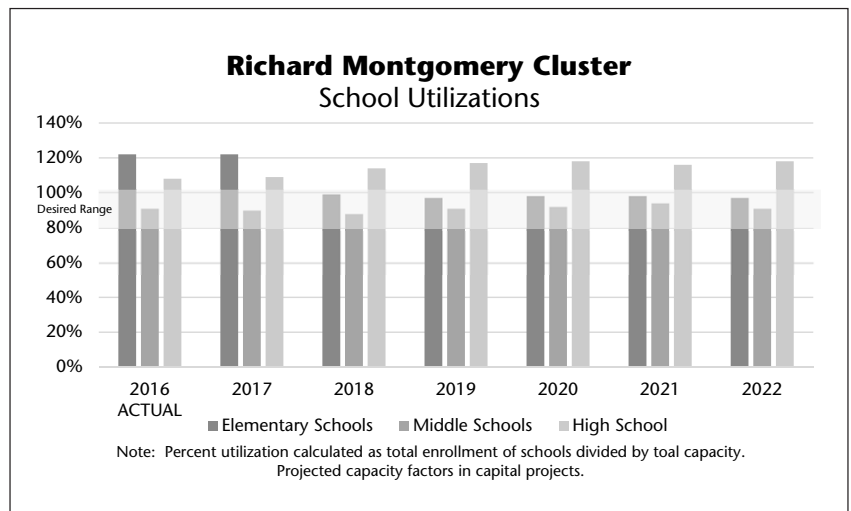
Capital Project: Projections indicate enrollment at College Garden Elementary School will exceed capacity by 92 seats or more throughout the six-year CIP planning period. An FY 2017 appropriation was approved to begin construction of the new school. Relocatable classrooms will be utilized until Richard Montgomery Cluster Elementary School #5 (Hungerford Park site) opens in September 2018.

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Ritchie Park Elementary School

Capital Project: Projections indicate enrollment at Ritchie Park Elementary School will exceed capacity by 92 seats or more throughout the six-year CIP planning period. An FY 2017 appropriation was approved to begin construction of the new school. Relocatable classrooms will be utilized until Richard Montgomery Cluster Elementary School #5 (Hungerford Park site) opens in September 2018.

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on November 18, 2010, the boundary study explored options to reassign the Chinese Immersion program from College Gardens Elementary School to another elementary school in the Richard Montgomery Cluster. Board of Education action is scheduled for November 2017. The new elementary school is scheduled to open in September 2018.

Richard Montgomery Cluster Elementary School #5 (Hungerford Park site)

Capital Project: A new school is scheduled to open in September 2018 to relieve projected overutilization in the Richard Montgomery Cluster. An FY 2017 appropriation was approved to begin construction of the new school. Funding is approved in the Rehabilitation and Renovation of Closed Schools (RROCS) project to construct the new elementary school.

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Twinbrook Elementary School

Capital Project: The Board of Education requested funds to complete a revitalization/expansion project for this school with a completion date of January 2023. However, the adopted FY 2017–2022 CIP reflects a one year delay beginning with elementary school revitalization/expansion projects that have planning funds in FY 2019 and beyond. Therefore, the approved completion date for this project is January 2024. Moreover, based on the Montgomery County Council Office of Legislative Oversight (OLO) study released in July 2015 regarding the revitalization/expansion program, the approach to the Revitalization/Expansion program is being reviewed in order to develop a multi-variable approach to determine the priority order of large-scale renovations of facilities, possibly including programmatic and capacity considerations. Possible changes to this program will be considered as part of the development of the FY 2019–2024 Capital Improvements Program. (For more information see Appendix J.)

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CAPITAL PROJECTS

School	Project	Project Status*	Date of Completion
Richard Montgomery HS	Classroom addition	Proposed	TBD
Richard Montgomery Cluster ES #5	New school	Approved	Sept. 2018
Twinbrook ES	Revitalization/expansion	Programmed	Jan. 2024

*Approved—Project has an FY 2017 or FY 2018 appropriation approved in the Amended FY 2017–2022 CIP.

*Programmed—Project has expenditures programmed in a future year of the CIP for planning and/or construction funds.

*Proposed—Project has facility planning funds approved in FY 2017 or in FY 2018 for a feasibility study.

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Projected Enrollment and Space Availability

Effects of the Approved Amendments to the FY 2017–2022 CIP and Non–CIP Actions on Space Available

Schools		Actual 16–17	Projections								
			17–18	18–19	19–20	20–21	21–22	22–23	2026	2031	
Richard Montgomery HS	Program Capacity	2236	2236	2236	2236	2236	2236	2236	2236	2236	2236
	Enrollment	2406	2429	2557	2617	2632	2593	2638	2700	2700	2700
	Available Space	(170)	(192)	(320)	(380)	(396)	(356)	(402)	(464)	(464)	(464)
	Comments	See text									
Julius West MS	Program Capacity	1449	1449	1449	1449	1449	1449	1449	1449	1449	1449
	Enrollment	1316	1309	1282	1324	1326	1357	1313	1400	1400	1400
	Available Space	133	140	167	125	123	92	136	49	49	49
	Comments										
Beall ES	Program Capacity	638	638	638	638	638	638	638	638	638	638
	Enrollment	820	813	849	855	865	872	871	871	871	871
	Available Space	(182)	(175)	(211)	(217)	(227)	(234)	(233)	(233)	(233)	(233)
	Comments	See text									
College Gardens ES	Program Capacity	693	693	693	693	693	693	693	693	693	693
	Enrollment	883	865	881	851	848	839	846	846	846	846
	Available Space	(190)	(172)	(188)	(158)	(155)	(146)	(153)	(153)	(153)	(153)
	Comments	See text									
Richard Montgomery Cluster ES #5 (Hungerford Park)	Program Capacity			602	602	602	602	602	602	602	602
	Enrollment			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Available Space			602	602	602	602	602	602	602	602
	Comments			Opens							
Ritchie Park ES	Program Capacity	387	387	387	387	387	387	387	387	387	387
	Enrollment	515	513	514	501	490	503	501	501	501	501
	Available Space	(128)	(126)	(127)	(114)	(103)	(116)	(114)	(114)	(114)	(114)
	Comments	See text									
Twinbrook ES	Program Capacity	553	553	553	553	553	553	553	553	553	553
	Enrollment	556	580	593	587	599	596	581	581	581	581
	Available Space	(3)	(27)	(40)	(34)	(46)	(43)	(28)	(28)	(28)	(28)
	Comments	Fac. Plng. for Rev/Ex See text			Planning for Revitalization/Expansion (See text)						
Cluster Information	HS Utilization	108%	109%	114%	117%	118%	116%	118%	121%	121%	121%
	HS Enrollment	2406	2429	2557	2617	2632	2593	2638	2700	2700	2700
	MS Utilization	91%	90%	88%	91%	92%	94%	91%	97%	97%	97%
	MS Enrollment	1316	1309	1282	1324	1326	1357	1313	1400	1400	1400
	ES Enrollment	2774	2771	2837	2794	2802	2810	2799	2900	2900	2900

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Facility Characteristics of Schools 2016–2017

Schools	Year Facility Opened	Year Reopened/ Revitalized	Total Square Footage	Site Size Acres	Adjacent Park	Reloc-atable Classrooms	County Programs	Home School Model
Richard Montgomery HS	1942	2007	311,500	29.05				
Julius West MS	1961	1995	182,617	21.3				
Beall ES	1954	1991	79,477	8.4	Yes	8		
College Gardens ES	1967	2008	96,986	7.9	Yes	6		
Ritchie Park ES	1966	1997	58,500	9.2		6		
Twinbrook ES	1952	1986	79,818	10.5		2		