

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 Bayard Rustin Elementary School, 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 at the middle school level.

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. In lieu of the addition, the approved CIP includes expenditures in the six-year period to open a new high school on the Crown Farm site to address overutilization in the mid-county region. Although an FY 2019 appropriation for planning was recommended by the Board of Education to begin the architectural design for this new school, the County Council delayed the funds by one year to begin in FY 2020. Once the planning is complete, a recommendation will be included in the next full CIP regarding the phasing and completion date for the opening of this new high school.

Beall Elementary School

Planning Study: A boundary study was conducted in spring 2017 to determine the service area for Bayard Rustin Elementary School. 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. The Board of Education took action on November 27, 2017. The action is

available on the MCPS website at the following link: http://gis.mcpsmd.org/boundarystudypdfs/RMES5_AdoptedBoundaries.pdf

Capital Project: Projections indicate enrollment at Beall 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 Bayard Rustin Elementary School opens in September 2018.

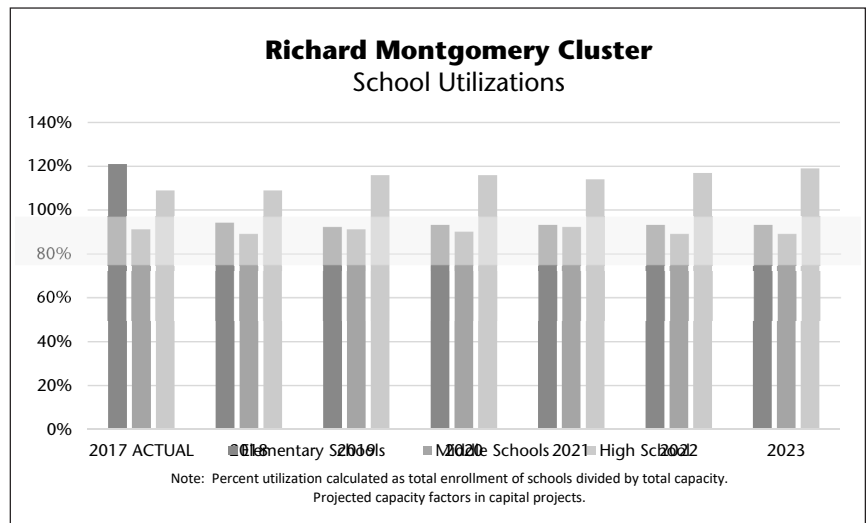
College Gardens Elementary School

Planning Study: A boundary study was conducted in spring 2017 to determine the service area for Bayard Rustin Elementary School. 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. The Board of Education took action on November 27, 2017. The action is available on the MCPS website at the following link: http://gis.mcpsmd.org/boundarystudypdfs/RMES5_AdoptedBoundaries.pdf

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 Bayard Rustin Elementary School opens in September 2018.

Ritchie Park Elementary School

Planning Study: A boundary study was conducted in spring 2017 to determine the service area for Bayard Rustin Elementary School. 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



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Immersion program from College Gardens Elementary School to another elementary school in the Richard Montgomery Cluster. The Board of Education took action on November 27, 2017. The action is available on the MCPS website at the following link: http://gis.mcpsmd.org/boundarystudypdfs/RMES5_AdoptedBoundaries.pdf

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 Bayard Rustin Elementary School opens in September 2018.

Bayard Rustin Elementary School

Planning Study: A boundary study was conducted in spring 2017 to determine the service area for Bayard Rustin Elementary School. 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. The Board of Education took action on November 27, 2017. The action is available on the MCPS website at the following link: http://gis.mcpsmd.org/boundarystudypdfs/RMES5_AdoptedBoundaries.pdf

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.

Twinbrook Elementary School

Planning Study: A boundary study was conducted in spring 2017 to determine the service area for Bayard Rustin Elementary School. 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. The Board of Education took action on November 27, 2017. The action is available on the MCPS website at the following link: http://gis.mcpsmd.org/boundarystudypdfs/RMES5_AdoptedBoundaries.pdf

Capital Project: Based on the Montgomery County Council Office of Legislative Oversight (OLO) study of the revitalization/expansion program released in July 2015, this program is under review 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. Recommendations regarding possible changes to this program will be released once the review is complete. (For more information see Appendix J.)

CAPITAL PROJECTS

School	Project	Project Status*	Date of Completion
Bayard Rustin ES	New school	Approved	Sept. 2018

*Approved—Project has an FY 2019 appropriation for planning or construction funds approved in the FY 2019–2024 CIP.

*Delayed—Project has expenditures approved in the FY 2019–2024 CIP but the completion date was delayed by one year.

*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 for a feasibility study.

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Projected Enrollment and Space Availability Effects of the Approved FY 2019–2024 CIP and Non–CIP Actions on Space Available

Schools		Actual 17–18	Projections								
			18–19	19–20	20–21	21–22	22–23	23–24	2027	2032	
Richard Montgomery HS	Program Capacity	2236	2236	2236	2236	2236	2236	2236	2236	2236	2236
	Enrollment	2430	2438	2584	2596	2545	2618	2668	2730	2840	
	Available Space	(194)	(202)	(348)	(360)	(309)	(382)	(432)	(494)	(604)	
	Comments	See text									
Julius West MS	Program Capacity	1462	1462	1462	1462	1462	1462	1462	1462	1462	
	Enrollment	1325	1305	1326	1319	1351	1302	1298	1320	1330	
	Available Space	137	157	136	143	111	160	164	142	132	
	Comments										
Beall ES	Program Capacity	637	637	637	637	637	637	637			
	Enrollment	782	559	531	540	549	548	554			
	Available Space	(145)	78	106	97	88	89	83			
	Comments		Boundary Change								
College Gardens ES	Program Capacity	693	676	676	676	676	676	676			
	Enrollment	883	697	656	636	626	620	617			
	Available Space	(190)	(21)	20	40	50	56	59			
	Comments		Boundary Change +1 AUT								
Bayard Rustin ES	Program Capacity		744	744	744	744	744	744			
	Enrollment		592	648	661	654	675	681			
	Available Space		152	96	83	90	69	63			
	Comments		Opens								
Ritchie Park ES	Program Capacity	387	387	387	387	387	387	387			
	Enrollment	545	419	372	369	376	373	351			
	Available Space	(158)	(32)	15	18	11	14	36			
	Comments		Boundary Change								
Twinbrook ES	Program Capacity	558	558	558	558	558	558	558			
	Enrollment	550	560	566	585	585	590	586			
	Available Space	8	(2)	(8)	(27)	(27)	(32)	(28)			
	Comments										
Cluster Information	HS Utilization	109%	109%	116%	116%	114%	117%	119%	122%	127%	
	HS Enrollment	2430	2438	2584	2596	2545	2618	2668	2730	2840	
	MS Utilization	91%	89%	91%	90%	92%	89%	89%	90%	91%	
	MS Enrollment	1325	1305	1326	1319	1351	1302	1298	1320	1330	
	ES Utilization	121%	94%	92%	93%	93%	93%	93%	119%	128%	
ES Enrollment	2760	2827	2773	2791	2790	2806	2789	3560	3830		

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Facility Characteristics of Schools 2017–2018

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		2		
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		