

## CLARKSBURG CLUSTER

### CLUSTER PLANNING ISSUES

**Planning Issue:** The Clarksburg Master Plan allows for the development of up to 15,000 residential units. The plan included five future elementary school sites and one future middle school site. A large number of housing units were constructed. A new cluster of schools was formed in the 2006–2007 school year when Clarksburg High School opened to accommodate the enrollment growth from the new development. Little Bennett Elementary School opened in September 2006, William B. Gibbs, Jr. Elementary School opened in September 2009, Wilson Wims Elementary School opened in September 2014, and Snowden Farm Elementary School is scheduled to open in September 2019. With continued growth in elementary school enrollment, an additional elementary school is scheduled to open in September 2022. To address the enrollment growth in the cluster, a high school addition opened in September 2015, and Hallie Wells Middle School opened in September 2016.

Valley High School for students living in the upcounty area leaving approximately 800 seats available for the Clarksburg and Northwest high school students.

**Planning Study:** See Planning Study under Cluster Planning Issues. Information regarding this boundary study is available at the following link: <https://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/planning/UpcountyHSBoundaryStudy.aspx>

### Neelsville Middle School

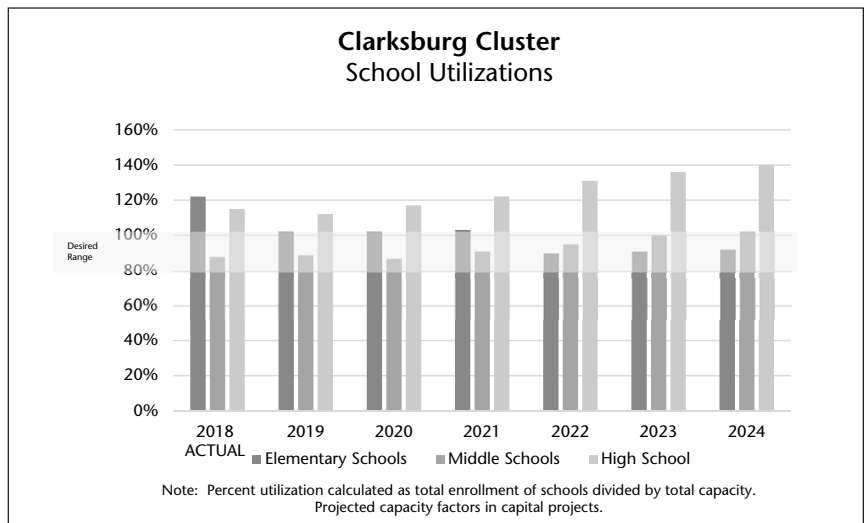
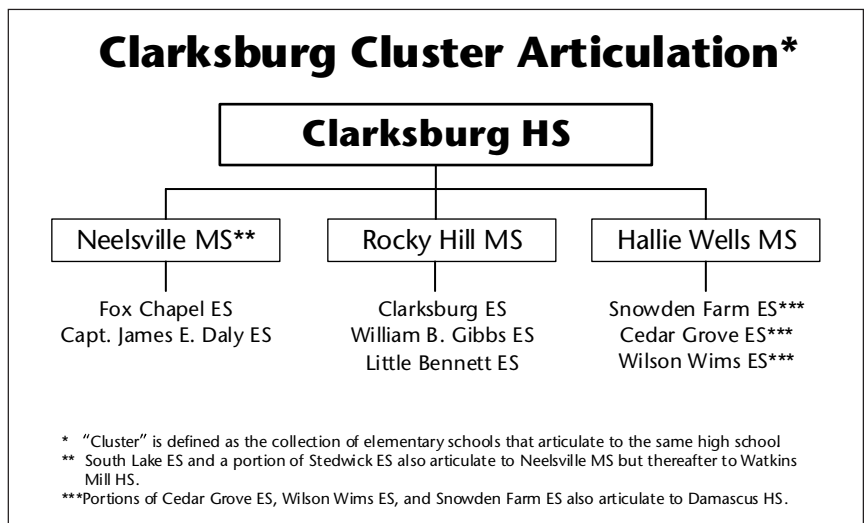
**Capital Project:** A major capital project is approved for this school to address various building systems and programmatic needs for this school. The scope of the project will be determined during the 2018–2019 school year. An FY 2020 appropriation is approved for planning to begin the architectural design for this project. A completion date will be determined in a future CIP.

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### SCHOOLS

#### Clarksburg High School

**Planning Issue:** Although a classroom addition opened in September 2015 to accommodate the overutilization at Clarksburg High School, student enrollment will continue to exceed capacity by over 800 students by the end of the six-year planning period. Enrollment also is projected to exceed capacity at Northwest High School by almost 700 students. Both the Clarksburg and Northwest high school service areas are adjacent to the Seneca Valley High School service area. A revitalization/expansion project at Seneca Valley High School, scheduled for completion in September 2020, was designed and constructed with a capacity for 2,581 students. The enrollment at Seneca Valley High School is projected to be 1,301 students by the end of the six-year planning period. With a capacity of 2,581 seats, there will be approximately 1,280 seats available to accommodate students from Clarksburg and Northwest high schools when the project is complete. Recently, a Career Readiness External Review was conducted and provided recommendations to increase the number of students prepared for employment in high demand fields. Given that the Seneca Valley High School project is under construction, there was an opportunity to expand career technology education for students living in the upcounty area. Therefore, the master planned shell on the fourth floor was approved for construction to accommodate additional career technology education programs in this facility. As part of the boundary study described in the section below, the superintendent of schools reserved 500 seats at Seneca



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### Hallie Wells Middle School

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### Rocky Hill Middle School

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### Cedar Grove Elementary School

**Planning Issue:** Enrollment is projected to exceed capacity by more than 92 seats throughout the six-year planning period. Although the opening of Wilson Wims Elementary School provided some relief, current projections indicate the need for additional elementary schools in the Clarksburg Cluster. Cedar Grove Elementary School articulates to both Clarksburg and Damascus clusters. Relocatable classrooms will be utilized until Snowden Farm Elementary School and/or Clarksburg Cluster Elementary School #9 opens.

**Capital Project:** Although an FY 2019 appropriation for planning was recommended by the Board of Education for Clarksburg Elementary School #9 with a scheduled opening in September 2021, the County Council delayed the project by one year to September 2022. An FY 2020 appropriation is approved for planning to begin the architectural design for this project. In order for this project to be completed on this schedule, county and state funding must be provided at the levels approved in this CIP.

**Planning Study:** A boundary study was conducted in spring 2018, for Snowden Farm Elementary School to create the service area for the new school. The scope of the study included Cedar Grove and Wilson Wims elementary schools. The Board of Education approved the boundaries for the new school on November 27, 2018. The boundary resolution is available on the MCPS website at the following link: is available on the MCPS website at the following link: [http://gis.mcpsmd.org/boundarystudypdfs/ClarksburgVillage2\\_BOEAdoptedBoundaries.pdf](http://gis.mcpsmd.org/boundarystudypdfs/ClarksburgVillage2_BOEAdoptedBoundaries.pdf)

### Clarksburg Elementary School

**Planning Issue:** Enrollment at Clarksburg Elementary School is projected to exceed capacity by more than 92 seats throughout the six-year planning period. Relocatable classrooms will be utilized until Clarksburg Elementary School #9 opens.

**Capital Project:** Although an FY 2019 appropriation for planning was recommended by the Board of Education for Clarksburg Elementary School #9 with a scheduled opening in September 2021, the County Council delayed the project by one year to September 2022. An FY 2020 appropriation

is approved for planning to begin the architectural design for this project. In order for this project to be completed on this schedule, county and state funding must be provided at the levels approved in this CIP.

### Capt. James E. Daly Elementary School

**Capital Project:** Previous projections indicated enrollment at Capt. James E. Daly Elementary School would exceed capacity by 92 seats or more by the end of the six-year planning period. An FY 2014 appropriation was approved for facility planning to determine the feasibility, scope, and cost for a classroom addition. The current space deficit is slightly below the minimum threshold of 92 seats or more for consideration of an addition project. Therefore, enrollment will continue to be monitored for consideration of a future CIP project, with relocatable classrooms utilized in the interim.

### Snowden Farm Elementary School

**Capital Project:** This school is scheduled to open in September 2019 to relieve projected overutilization in the Clarksburg Cluster. An FY 2018 appropriation was approved to construct Snowden Farm Elementary School.

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### Wilson Wims Elementary School

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### CAPITAL PROJECTS

School	Project	Project Status*	Date of Completion
Neelsville MS	Major Capital Project	Approved	TBD
Clarksburg ES #9	New school	Approved	Sept. 2022
Snowden Farm ES	New school	Approved	Sept. 2019

\*“Approved”— Project has an FY 2019 or FY 2020 appropriation for planning or construction funds approved in the Amended FY 2019–2024 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 for a feasibility study.

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## Projected Enrollment and Space Availability Effects of the Adopted Amendments to the FY2019–2024 CIP and Non-CIP Actions on Space Availability

Schools		Actual 18–19	Projections							
			19–20	20–21	21–22	22–23	23–24	24–25	2028	2033
Clarksburg HS	Program Capacity	2034	2034	2034	2034	2034	2034	2034	2034	2034
	Enrollment	2338	2536	2374	2487	2668	2757	2848	2866	3000
	Available Space	(304)	(502)	(340)	(453)	(634)	(723)	(814)	(832)	(966)
	Comments	Boundary study See text								
Neelsville MS	Program Capacity	956	956	956	956	956	956	956	956	956
	Enrollment	944	1019	933	908	917	946	957	930	970
	Available Space	12	(63)	23	48	39	10	(1)	26	(14)
	Comments	Boundary study	Planning for Major Capital Project							
Rocky Hill MS	Program Capacity	1020	1020	1020	1020	1020	1020	1020	1020	1020
	Enrollment	844	870	799	899	946	998	1023	1027	1090
	Available Space	176	150	221	121	74	22	(3)	(7)	(70)
	Comments	Boundary study								
Hallie Wells MS	Program Capacity	982	982	982	982	982	982	982	982	982
	Enrollment	792	839	848	877	949	1002	1032	987	1060
	Available Space	190	143	134	105	33	(20)	(50)	(5)	(78)
	Comments	Boundary study								
Cedar Grove ES	Program Capacity	418	418	418	418	418	418	418		
	Enrollment	613	413	409	407	395	391	394		
	Available Space	(195)	5	9	11	23	27	24		
	Comments	Boundary recommendation	Boundary change							
Clarksburg ES	Program Capacity	311	311	311	311	311	311	311		
	Enrollment	529	545	525	552	582	613	632		
	Available Space	(218)	(234)	(214)	(241)	(271)	(302)	(321)		
	Comments									
Clarksburg ES #9	Program Capacity					740	740	740		
	Enrollment					0	0	0		
	Available Space					740	740	740		
	Comments		Planning for new school			Opens				
Capt. James E. Daly ES	Program Capacity	528	528	528	528	528	528	528		
	Enrollment	585	600	568	593	603	606	611		
	Available Space	(57)	(72)	(40)	(65)	(75)	(78)	(83)		
	Comments									
Fox Chapel ES	Program Capacity	683	683	683	683	683	683	683		
	Enrollment	598	615	591	593	599	598	606		
	Available Space	85	68	92	90	84	85	77		
	Comments									
William B. Gibbs, Jr. ES	Program Capacity	714	714	714	714	714	714	714		
	Enrollment	652	643	684	670	663	670	671		
	Available Space	62	71	30	44	51	44	43		
	Comments									
Little Bennett ES	Program Capacity	611	611	611	611	611	611	611		
	Enrollment	614	611	557	558	558	542	608		
	Available Space	(3)	0	54	53	53	69	3		
	Comments									
Snowden Farm ES	Program Capacity		741	741	741	741	741	741		
	Enrollment		649	779	795	804	807	808		
	Available Space		92	(38)	(54)	(63)	(66)	(67)		
	Comments		Opens							
Wilson Wims ES	Program Capacity	752	752	752	752	752	752	752		
	Enrollment	1244	802	774	784	784	782	785		
	Available Space	(492)	(50)	(22)	(32)	(32)	(30)	(33)		
	Comments	Boundary recommendation	Boundary change							
Cluster Information	HS Utilization	115%	125%	117%	122%	131%	136%	140%	141%	147%
	HS Enrollment	2338	2536	2374	2487	2668	2757	2848	2866	3000
	MS Utilization	88%	92%	87%	91%	95%	100%	102%	100%	105%
	MS Enrollment	2580	2728	2580	2684	2812	2946	3012	2944	3120
	ES Utilization	120%	103%	103%	104%	91%	91%	93%	102%	110%
ES Enrollment	4835	4878	4887	4952	4988	5009	5115	5610	6050	





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### Facility Characteristics of Schools 2018–2019

Schools	Year Facility Opened	Year Reopened/ Revitalized	Total Square Footage	Site Size Acres	Adjacent Park	Relocatable Classrooms	County Programs
Clarksburg HS	1995	2006	344,574	62.73		11	
Neelsville MS	1981		131,432	29.2			
Rocky Hill MS	2004		148,065	23.3			
Hallie Wells MS	2016		150,089	22.37			
Cedar Grove ES	1960	1987	57,037	10.1		7	
Clarksburg ES	1952	1993	54,983	9.97		4	
Captain James Daly ES	1989		78,210	10	Yes	4	
Fox Chapel ES	1974		85,182	10.34	Yes		LTL
William B. Gibbs Jr. ES	2009		88,042	10.75			
Little Bennett ES	2006		82,511	4.81	Yes		
Wilson Wims ES	2014		91,931	9.29	Yes	14	

