

# SENECA VALLEY CLUSTER

## CLUSTER PLANNING ISSUES

**Planning Issue:** The 2009 adopted Germantown Employment Area Sector Plan provides for up to 10,200 mostly multi-family residential units. The majority of planned residential development is located in the Seneca Valley Cluster. The plan requires some redevelopment of shopping centers and some other commercial uses. In addition, the plan anticipates construction of the Corridor Cities Transitway to support the higher housing densities. It is anticipated that the Plan will take 20 to 30 years to build-out. The pace of construction will be market driven. A future elementary school site is included in the Plan.

## SCHOOLS

### Neelsville Middle School

**Capital Project:** A major capital project is planned for this school to address various building systems and programmatic needs for this school. An FY 2021 appropriation was approved for planning funds to begin the architectural design of this major capital project. An FY 2022 appropriation was approved to begin the construction. An FY 2023 appropriation was approved for construction cost increases and the balance of construction funds. This project is scheduled to be completed in August 2024.

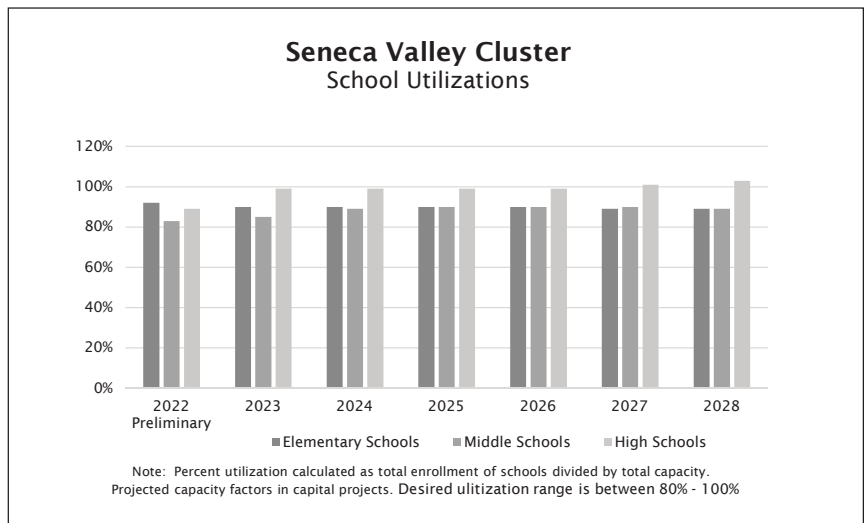
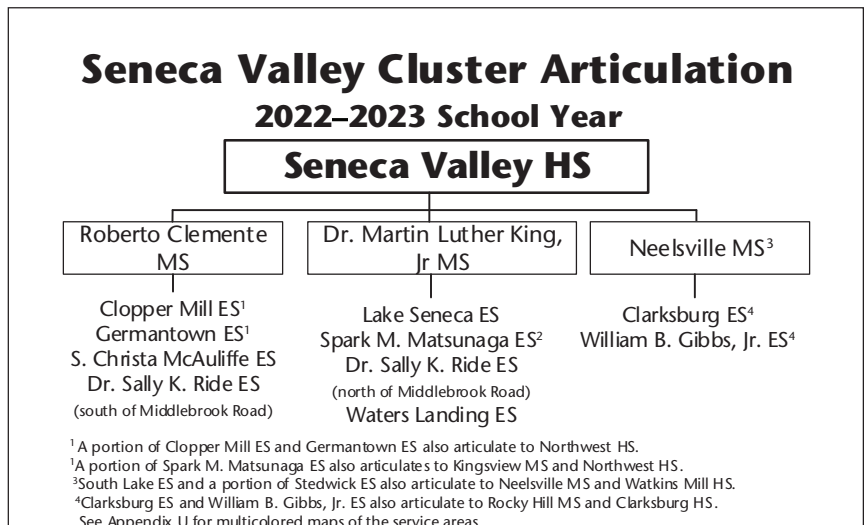
### Clarksburg Elementary School

**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 requested by the Board of Education for Clarksburg Elementary School #9, with a scheduled opening in August 2021, the County Council delayed the project by one year to August 2022. An FY 2020 appropriation was approved for planning to begin the architectural design for this project. As part of the FY 2021–2026 CIP, the County Council delayed the scheduled completion of the project by another year to August 2023. An FY 2022 appropriation was approved to begin the construction for the school. An FY 2023 appropriation was approved for construction cost increases and the balance of construction funds.

**Planning Study:** A boundary study was previously approved to begin in the fall 2020, to explore the assignment of students for the opening of Clarksburg Elementary School #9, with Board of Education action scheduled for November 2021. However, the County Council

delayed the opening of the new school from August 2022 to August 2023. The approved boundary study for Clarksburg Elementary School #9 will create the service area for the new school. The scope included the following elementary schools—Clarksburg, William B. Gibbs, Jr., Little Bennett, and Wilson Wims elementary schools. No middle or high schools were included in the boundary study. Based on the approved completion date for the school, the boundary study was conducted in the spring 2022, with the boundary study report released summer 2022. The recommendation by the superintendent of schools was released in October 2022 as part of the *Superintendent's Recommended FY 2024 Capital Budget and Amendments to the FY2023–2028 Capital Improvements Program*. Board of Education action on the boundary reassignment is scheduled for November 17, 2022. Information regarding the boundary recommendation is available on the MCPS website at the following link: <https://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/planning/ClarksburgES9BoundaryStudy.aspx>



**Clarksburg Elementary School #9**

**Capital Project:** Although an FY 2019 appropriation for planning was requested by the Board of Education for Clarksburg Elementary School #9 with a scheduled opening in August 2021, the County Council delayed the project by one year to August 2022. An FY 2020 appropriation was approved for planning to begin the architectural design for this project. As part of the FY 2021–2026 CIP, the County Council delayed the scheduled completion of the project by another year to August 2023. An FY 2022 appropriation was approved to begin the construction for the new school. An FY 2023 appropriation was approved for construction cost increases and for the balance of construction funds.

**William B. Gibbs, Jr. Elementary School**

**Planning Study:** A boundary study was previously approved to begin in the fall 2020, to explore the assignment of students for the opening of Clarksburg Elementary School #9, with Board of Education action scheduled for November 2021. However, the County Council delayed the opening of the new school from August 2022 to August 2023. The approved boundary study for Clarksburg Elementary School #9 will create the service area for the new school. The scope included the following elementary schools—Clarksburg, William B. Gibbs, Jr., Little Bennett, and Wilson Wims elementary schools. No middle or high schools were included in the boundary study. Based on the approved completion date for the school, the boundary study was conducted in the spring 2022, with the boundary study report released summer 2022. The recommendation by the superintendent of schools was released in October 2022 as part of the *Superintendent’s Recommended FY 2024 Capital Budget and Amendments to the FY2023–2028 Capital Improvements Program*. Board of Education action on the boundary reassignment is scheduled for November 17, 2022. Information regarding the boundary recommendation is available on the MCPS website at the following link: <https://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/planning/ClarksburgES9BoundaryStudy.aspx>

**CAPITAL PROJECTS**

School	Project	Project Status*	Date of Completion
Neelsville MS	Major Capital Project	Approved	August 2024
Clarksburg ES #9	New school	Approved	August 2023

\*Approved—Project has an approved FY 2023 appropriation in the FY 2023–2028 CIP for planning or construction funds.

\*Recommended—Project has a recommended FY 2024 appropriation in the Amended FY2023–2028 CIP for planning or construction funds.

\*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 Superintendent's Recommended FY 2024 Capital Budget and Amendments to the FY 2023–2028 Capital Improvements Program

Schools			Prelim.	Projections							
			22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26	26-27	27-28	28-29	2032	2037
Seneca Valley HS	Program Capacity		2520	2520	2520	2520	2520	2520	2520	2520	2520
	<b>Enrollment</b>		<b>2237</b>	<b>2489</b>	<b>2500</b>	<b>2495</b>	<b>2495</b>	<b>2551</b>	<b>2600</b>	<b>2600</b>	<b>2600</b>
	Available Space		283	31	20	25	25	(31)	(80)	(80)	(80)
	Comments										
Roberto W. Clemente MS	Program Capacity		1218	1218	1218	1218	1218	1218	1218	1218	1218
	<b>Enrollment</b>		<b>857</b>	<b>843</b>	<b>830</b>	<b>854</b>	<b>847</b>	<b>844</b>	<b>846</b>	<b>850</b>	<b>850</b>
	Available Space		361	375	388	364	371	374	372	368	368
	Comments										
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. MS	Program Capacity		914	914	914	914	914	914	914	914	914
	<b>Enrollment</b>		<b>904</b>	<b>945</b>	<b>1003</b>	<b>987</b>	<b>963</b>	<b>979</b>	<b>977</b>	<b>990</b>	<b>990</b>
	Available Space		10	(31)	(89)	(73)	(49)	(65)	(63)	(76)	(76)
	Comments										
Neelsville MS	Program Capacity		965	965	956	956	956	956	956	956	956
	<b>Enrollment</b>		<b>820</b>	<b>840</b>	<b>904</b>	<b>937</b>	<b>955</b>	<b>942</b>	<b>929</b>	<b>940</b>	<b>940</b>
	Available Space		145	125	52	19	1	14	27	16	16
	Comments				Maj. Cap. Project Complete						
Clarksburg ES #9	Program Capacity			721	721	721	721	721	721		
	<b>Enrollment</b>			<b>457</b>	<b>567</b>	<b>605</b>	<b>614</b>	<b>628</b>	<b>640</b>		
	Available Space			264	154	116	107	93	81		
	Comments				Opens						
Germantown ES	Program Capacity	CSR	292	292	292	292	292	292	292		
	<b>Enrollment</b>		<b>294</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>276</b>	<b>256</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>230</b>		
	Available Space		(2)	(6)	16	36	42	63	62		
	Comments										
William B. Gibbs, Jr. ES	Program Capacity		748	748	748	748	748	748	748		
	<b>Enrollment</b>		<b>641</b>	<b>577</b>	<b>619</b>	<b>631</b>	<b>649</b>	<b>659</b>	<b>655</b>		
	Available Space		107	171	129	117	99	89	93		
	Comments		See Text								
Lake Seneca ES	Program Capacity	CSR	425	425	425	425	425	425	425		
	<b>Enrollment</b>		<b>458</b>	<b>460</b>	<b>469</b>	<b>482</b>	<b>499</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>498</b>		
	Available Space		(33)	(35)	(44)	(57)	(74)	(75)	(73)		
	Comments										
S. Christa McAuliffe ES	Program Capacity	CSR	732	732	732	732	732	732	732		
	<b>Enrollment</b>		<b>517</b>	<b>502</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>474</b>	<b>464</b>	<b>460</b>	<b>460</b>		
	Available Space		215	230	252	258	268	272	272		
	Comments										
Dr. Sally K. Ride ES	Program Capacity	CSR	505	505	505	505	505	505	505		
	<b>Enrollment</b>		<b>507</b>	<b>516</b>	<b>511</b>	<b>529</b>	<b>547</b>	<b>560</b>	<b>559</b>		
	Available Space		(2)	(11)	(6)	(24)	(42)	(55)	(54)		
	Comments										
Waters Landing ES	Program Capacity	CSR	768	768	768	768	768	768	768		
	<b>Enrollment</b>		<b>775</b>	<b>784</b>	<b>765</b>	<b>742</b>	<b>709</b>	<b>677</b>	<b>676</b>		
	Available Space		(7)	(16)	3	26	59	91	92		
	Comments										
Cluster Information	HS Utilization		89%	99%	99%	99%	99%	101%	103%	103%	103%
	HS Enrollment		2237	2489	2500	2495	2495	2551	2600	2600	2600
	MS Utilization		83%	85%	89%	90%	90%	90%	89%	90%	90%
	MS Enrollment		2581	2628	2737	2778	2765	2765	2752	2780	2780
	ES Enrollment		3192	3137	3120	3114	3118	3085	3078		



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### Facility Characteristics of Schools 2022–2023

Schools	Year Facility Opened	Year Reopened/ Revitalized	Total Square Footage	Site Size Acres	Adjacent Park	Relocatable Classrooms*	County Programs
Seneca Valley HS	1974	2020	439,346	29.4			HSWC
Roberto W. Clemente MS	1992		148,246	19.9			
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. MS	1996		135,867	19			
Neelsville MS	1981		131,432	29.2			
Clarksburg ES	1952	1993	54,983	9.97		20	
Germantown ES	1935	1978	57,668	7.8			
William B. Gibbs Jr. ES	2009		88,042	10.75			
Lake Seneca ES	1985		58,770	9.4		9	
S. Christa McAuliffe ES	1987		102,111	10.6	Yes		
Dr. Sally K. Ride ES	1994		78,686	13.5		2	
Waters Landing ES	1988		101,352	10			

\*Relocatables on site to address overutilization



**Seneca Valley High School**