

THOMAS S. WOOTTON CLUSTER

CLUSTER PLANNING ISSUES

The 2010 adopted Great Seneca Science Corridor Master Plan provides for up to 5,700 residential units. Most of the residential development is in the Thomas S. Wootton Cluster. The majority of planned units require funding to be secured for construction of the Corridor Cities Transit-way. The pace of construction will be market driven. A future elementary school site is included in the plan.

The Great Seneca Science Corridor Minor Master Plan Amendment was adopted in 2021. This amendment evaluates progress to the 2010 plan and adjusts staging requirements based on development since 2010. Recent construction in the plan area has yielded nearly 1,300 new multi-family units. Additional information can be found at the following weblink: <https://montgomeryplanning.org/planning/communities/midcounty/great-seneca-science-corridor/great-seneca-science-corridor-plan/great-seneca-science-corridor-master-plan-minor-master-plan-amendment/>.

SCHOOLS

Thomas S. Wootton High School

Capital Project: A Major Capital Project is planned for this school to address various building systems and programmatic needs for this school. Expenditures for this project are included in the Major Capital Projects–Secondary. Although the Board of Education requested a completion date of August 2026, the County Council delayed the expenditures and completion date by one year to August 2027. An FY 2023 appropriation was approved to accelerate the architectural design and site funds within the Major Capital Project to address ADA and site related issues. Due to fiscal constraints, the County Council, in the adopted FY2023-2028 CIP, delayed this project two years. An FY 2025 appropriation is recommended for planning and design funds for the building portion of the Major Capital Project. The completion date for this project is August 2029.

Capital Project: Expenditures are programmed 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 requested by the Board of Education for this new school, the County Council delayed the funds by one year to begin in FY 2020. An FY 2020 appropriation was approved for planning to begin the architectural design for this project with a completion date of August 2025. However, as part of the FY 2021–2026 CIP, the County Council delayed the expenditures and completion date to August 2026. An FY 2023 appropriation was requested for construction cost increases and construction funds. Due to fiscal constraints, the County Council, in the adopted FY2023-2028 CIP, delayed this project one year, but approved the additional expenditures. An FY 2024 appropriation was approved for construction funds. An FY 2025

appropriation is recommended to complete this project. This project is scheduled to be completed August 2027.

Cold Spring Elementary School

Capital Project: As part of the adopted FY 2023–2028 CIP, this school was approved for a feasibility study for a major capital project. The Key Facilities Indicators (KFI) were utilized to identify schools for possible major capital projects. The scope for the project will be identified based on the individual building system and programmatic and capacity needs for each school. As part of the Recommended FY 2025–2030 CIP, a Major Capital Project is recommended for this school. An FY 2025 appropriation is recommended to begin the planning and design for this project. Once planning is complete, construction funds, along with a completion date, will be considered in a future CIP.

DuFief Elementary School

Planning Study: This school was approved for a feasibility study for a major capital project. The Key Facilities Indicators (KFI) were utilized to identify schools for possible major capital projects. The scope for the project will be identified based on the individual building system and programmatic and capacity needs for each school. Once the feasibility study is complete, a recommendation regarding scope, timeline and funding will be considered in a future CIP.

Thomas S. Wootton Cluster Articulation

2023–2024 School Year

Thomas S. Wootton HS

Cabin John MS*

Robert Frost MS

Cold Spring ES
Stone Mill ES

DuFief ES
Fallsmead ES
Lakewood ES
Travilah ES

* Bells Mill ES and Seven Locks ES also articulate to Cabin John MS and thereafter to Winston Churchill HS.
See Appendix U for multicolored maps of the service areas.

CAPITAL PROJECTS

School	Project	Project Status*	Date of Completion
Crown HS	New School	Recommended	August 2027
Thomas S. Wootton HS	Major Capital Project	Recommended	August 2029
Cold Spring ES	Major Capital Project	Recommended	TBD

“Approved”—Project has an approved FY 2024 appropriation in the amended FY 2023–2028 CIP for planning or construction funds.

“Recommended”—Project has a recommended FY 2025 appropriation in the FY2025–2030 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 2025 Capital Budget and the FY 2025–2030 CIP

Schools		Prelim.	Projections								
			23-24	24-25	25-26	26-27	27-28	28-29	29-30	2033	2038
Thomas S. Wootton HS	Program Capacity	2120	2120	2120	2120	2120	2120	2120	2226	2226	2226
	Enrollment	1872	1856	1891	1888	1899	1909	1922	1940	1940	1940
	Available Space	248	264	229	232	221	211	304	286	286	286
	Comments	Plng. for Maj. Cap. Project							Maj. Cap. Project Complete		
Crown HS	Program Capacity					2219	2219	2219	2219	2219	2219
	Enrollment					0	0	0	0	0	0
	Available Space					2219	2219	2219	2219	2219	2219
	Comments					Opens					
Cabin John MS	Program Capacity	1125	1125	1125	1125	1125	1125	1125	1125	1125	1125
	Enrollment	974	1004	1062	1075	1095	1103	1103	1125	1125	1125
	Available Space	151	121	63	50	30	22	22	0	0	0
	Comments										
Robert Frost MS	Program Capacity	1051	1051	1051	1051	1051	1051	1051	1051	1051	1051
	Enrollment	958	974	1002	1012	1029	1037	1043	1050	1050	1050
	Available Space	93	77	49	39	22	14	8	1	1	1
	Comments										
Cold Spring ES	Program Capacity	481	481	481	481	481	481	481			
	Enrollment	335	334	335	341	338	328	337			
	Available Space	146	147	146	140	143	153	144			
	Comments		Planning for MCP								
DuFief ES	Program Capacity	437	437	437	437	437	437	437			
	Enrollment	247	262	257	256	258	255	257			
	Available Space	190	175	180	181	179	182	180			
	Comments										
Fallsmead ES	Program Capacity	571	571	571	571	571	571	571			
	Enrollment	515	510	511	505	509	502	509			
	Available Space	56	61	60	66	62	69	62			
	Comments										
Lakewood ES	Program Capacity	566	566	566	566	566	566	566			
	Enrollment	439	451	459	472	472	469	468			
	Available Space	127	115	107	94	94	97	98			
	Comments										
Stone Mill ES	Program Capacity	713	713	713	713	713	713	713			
	Enrollment	539	520	516	510	489	481	486			
	Available Space	174	193	197	203	224	232	227			
	Comments										
Travilah ES	Program Capacity	526	526	526	526	526	526	526			
	Enrollment	391	405	400	403	397	404	404			
	Available Space	135	121	126	123	129	122	122			
	Comments										
Cluster Information	HS Utilization	88%	88%	89%	89%	90%	90%	86%	87%	87%	
	HS Enrollment	1872	1856	1891	1888	1899	1909	1922	1940	1940	
	MS Utilization	89%	91%	95%	96%	98%	98%	99%	100%	100%	
	MS Enrollment	1932	1978	2064	2087	2124	2140	2146	2175	2175	
	ES Utilization	75%	75%	75%	76%	75%	74%	75%			
ES Enrollment	2466	2482	2478	2487	2463	2439	2461				

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Facility Characteristics of Schools 2023–2024

Schools	Year Facility Opened	Year Reopened/ Revitalized	Total Square Footage	Site Size Acres	Adjacent Park	Relocatable Classrooms*	County Programs
Thomas S. Wootton HS	1970		295,620	27.37			
Cabin John MS	1967	2011	159,514	18.2			
Robert Frost MS	1971		143,757	24.78			
Cold Spring ES	1972		55,158	12.38		1	
DuFief ES	1975		59,013	9.99	Yes	1	
Fallsmead ES	1974		67,472	8.93	Yes		
Lakewood ES	1968	2003	77,526	13.09			
Stone Mill ES	1988		78,617	11.76			
Travilah ES	1960	1992	65,378	9.3			

*See Appendix H for relocatable use.