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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 August 2006, William B. Gibbs, Jr. Elementary School opened in August 2009, Wilson Wims Elementary School opened in August 2014, and Snowden Farm Elementary School opened in August 2019. With continued growth in elementary school enrollment, an additional elementary school is scheduled to open in August 2023. To address the enrollment growth in the cluster, a high school addition opened in August 2015, and Hallie Wells Middle School opened in August 2016.

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 created 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 was on November 17, 2022. Information regarding this adopted boundary action is available on the MCPS website at the following link: www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/planning/ClarksburgES9BoundaryStudy.aspx

SCHOOLS

Clarksburg High School

Planning Issue: Clarksburg High School will continue to have a space deficit by the end of the six-year planning period, even with the recent boundary reassignment. A plan to address the space deficit will be developed in a future CIP.

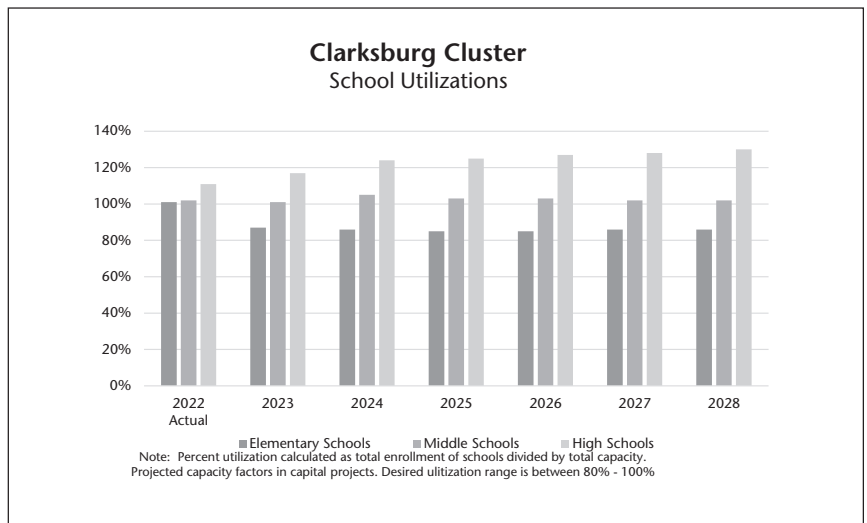
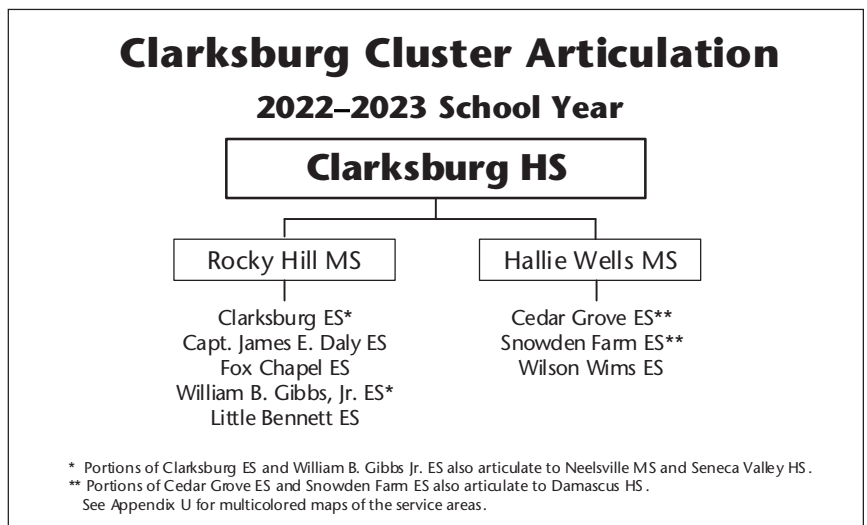
Clarksburg Elementary School

Planning Issue: See text under Cluster Planning Study.

Capital Project: As part of the 2019–2024 CIP, the Board of Education requested that Clarksburg Elementary School #9 open in August 2021; however, 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 to complete this project. The school is scheduled to be completed August 2023.

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Little Bennett Elementary School

Planning Issue: See text under Cluster Planning Study.

Wilson Wims Elementary School

Planning Issue: See text under Cluster Planning Study.

CAPITAL PROJECTS

School	Project	Project Status*	Date of Completion
Clarksburg ES #9	New school	Approved	August 2023

*“Approved”—Project has an approved FY 2024 appropriation in the amended FY 2023–2028 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.



Snowden Farm Elementary School

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Projected Enrollment and Space Availability Effects of the Adopted FY 2023–2028 Amended CIP and Non-Capital Actions

Schools			Actual	Projections							
			22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26	26-27	27-28	28-29	2032	2037
Clarksburg HS		Program Capacity	2034	2034	2034	2034	2034	2034	2034	2034	2034
		Enrollment	2251	2379	2512	2549	2578	2612	2647	2650	2650
		Available Space	(217)	(345)	(478)	(515)	(544)	(578)	(613)	(616)	(616)
		Comments									
Rocky Hill MS		Program Capacity	1012	1012	1012	1012	1012	1012	1012	1012	1012
		Enrollment	1057	1034	1057	1042	1039	1035	1032	1035	1035
		Available Space	(45)	(22)	(45)	(30)	(27)	(23)	(20)	(23)	(23)
		Comments									
Hallie Wells MS		Program Capacity	969	969	969	969	969	969	969	969	969
		Enrollment	963	975	1018	1003	995	990	988	1000	1000
		Available Space	6	(6)	(49)	(34)	(26)	(21)	(19)	(31)	(31)
		Comments									
Clarksburg ES		Program Capacity	352	352	352	352	352	352	352		
		Enrollment	778	443	369	362	353	320	315		
		Available Space	(426)	(91)	(17)	(10)	(1)	32	37		
		Comments	See Text								
Clarksburg ES #9		Program Capacity		721	721	721	721	721	721		
		Enrollment		469	567	605	614	628	640		
		Available Space		252	154	116	107	93	81		
		Comments		Opens							
Capt. James E. Daly ES	CSR	Program Capacity	586	586	586	586	586	586	586		
		Enrollment	515	500	485	460	455	461	459		
		Available Space	71	86	101	126	131	125	127		
		Comments									
Fox Chapel ES	CSR	Program Capacity	665	665	665	665	665	665	665		
		Enrollment	593	626	609	588	599	588	585		
		Available Space	72	39	56	77	66	77	80		
		Comments									
Little Bennett ES		Program Capacity	620	620	620	620	620	620	620		
		Enrollment	631	600	575	563	554	568	570		
		Available Space	(11)	20	45	57	66	52	50		
		Comments	See Text								
Snowden Farm ES		Program Capacity	762	762	762	762	762	762	762		
		Enrollment	668	637	633	618	615	629	661		
		Available Space	94	125	129	144	147	133	101		
		Comments									
Wilson Wims ES		Program Capacity	739	739	739	739	739	739	739		
		Enrollment	563	589	565	582	598	613	603		
		Available Space	176	150	174	157	141	126	136		
		Comments	See Text								
Cluster Information		HS Utilization	111%	117%	124%	125%	127%	128%	130%	130%	130%
		HS Enrollment	2251	2379	2512	2549	2578	2612	2647	2650	2650
		MS Utilization	102%	101%	105%	103%	103%	102%	102%	103%	103%
		MS Enrollment	2020	2009	2075	2045	2034	2025	2020	2035	2035
		ES Enrollment	3748	3864	3803	3778	3788	3807	3833		

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Demographic Characteristics of Schools

Schools	2022-2023								2021-2022
	Total Enrollment	Two or more races %	Black or Afr. Amer. %	Asian%	Hispanic %	White %	FARMS%*	ESOL%**	Mobility Rate%***
Clarksburg HS	2251	4.9%	29.5%	24.3%	27.0%	14.0%	41.8%	8.4%	12.5%
Hallie Wells MS	963	5.2%	19.8%	42.6%	12.9%	19.4%	20.4%	3.3%	5.9%
Rocky Hill MS	1057	6.4%	28.0%	20.1%	33.7%	11.5%	52.0%	13.2%	17.3%
Clarksburg ES	778	5.7%	32.3%	35.5%	15.2%	11.1%	32.1%	18.1%	25.1%
Captain James E. Daly ES	515	2.9%	28.3%	5.4%	56.3%	6.2%	77.1%	44.3%	19.1%
Fox Chapel ES	593	3.5%	25.1%	15.2%	46.7%	8.9%	63.4%	29.8%	18.9%
Little Bennett ES	631	4.9%	24.9%	31.4%	17.6%	20.8%	26.6%	15.4%	11.7%
Snowden Farm ES	668	5.5%	20.4%	46.7%	10.0%	16.6%	16.8%	8.8%	14.9%
Wilson Wims ES	563	4.4%	24.9%	37.3%	14.4%	18.3%	19.0%	7.8%	6.6%
Elementary Cluster Total	3748	4.6%	26.1%	29.7%	25.2%	13.8%	37.6%	19.9%	16.2%
Elementary County Total	72315	5.4%	21.7%	13.5%	35.6%	23.5%	47.5%	24.9%	19.9%
Elementary County Total	71,050	5.3%	21.8%	13.7%	34.8%	24.0%	40.8%	25.4%	13.4%

*Percent of students approved for Free and Reduced-priced Meals Program (FARMS) during the 2022-2023 school year.

**Percent of English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) during the 2022-2023 school year. High School students are served in regional ESOL centers.

***Mobility Rate is the number of entries plus withdrawals during the 2021-2022 school year compared to total enrollment.

Notes: Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander and American Indian/Alaskan Native categories total less than 1% and were therefore excluded from the table.

Due to federal and state guidelines, demographic characteristics of schools of less than or equal to 5 students per category are reported as 0%.

Program Capacity Table
(School Year 2022-2023)

Schools	Special Education Services																																					
	Grades Served	Capacity (HS @90% MS@85%)	Total Rooms	Support Rooms	Regular Secondary @25	Regular Elementary @23	CSR Grades 1-2 @18	Pre-K @20	Pre-K @40	HS @20	CSR KIND @18	KIND @22	ESOL @15	METS @15	OTHER	HSM @13	ELC @10	LANG @12	LFI @10	SCB @6	AAC@7	AUT @6	BRIDGE @10	DHOH @7	SESES @10	EXTENSIONS @6	GT/LD @13	PD @7	PEP @6	PEP @12	PEP @18	VISION (Elementary) @7						
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Clarksburg HS	9-12	2034	93		88								2																									
Hallie Wells MS	6-8	969	48		44																				4													
Rocky Hill MS	6-8	1012	48		47								1																									
Clarksburg ES	K-5	352	19	3		9						6				1																						
Captain James E. Daly ES	Pre-K-5	586	32	4		13	9	1		4						1																						
Fox Chapel ES	Pre-K-5	665	35	4		17	8	1		5																												
Little Bennett ES	K-5	620	34	3		19						5				1	6																					
Snowden Farm ES	K-5	762	38	3		28						4													3													
Wilson Wims ES	K-5	739	37	3		27						4																							2		1	

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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
Clarksburg HS	1995	2006	344,574	62.7		14	
Hallie Wells MS	2016		150,089	22.4			
Rocky Hill MS	2004		148,065	23.3			
Clarksburg ES	1952	1993	54,983	10.0		20	
Captain James E. Daly ES	1989		78,386	10.0	Yes	4	
Fox Chapel ES	1974		85,182	10.3	Yes		LTL
Little Bennett ES	2006		82,511	4.8	Yes		
Snowden Farm ES	2019		92,366	9.8			
Wilson Wims ES	2014		91,931	9.3	Yes		

**Relocatables on site to address overutilization*