

QUINCE ORCHARD CLUSTER

CLUSTER PLANNING ISSUES

Planning Issue: On March 19, 2024, the Board of Education approved the boundary study scope to determine the service area for the new Crown High School and the Expansion of Damascus High School. The scope of the boundary study includes the following high schools: Winston Churchill, Clarksburg, Damascus, Gaithersburg, Richard Montgomery, Northwest, Poolesville, Quince Orchard, Seneca Valley, Watkins Mill, and Thomas S. Wootton. The scope also includes the following middle schools: John T. Baker, Cabin John, Roberto W. Clemente, Forest Oak, Robert Frost, Gaithersburg, Herbert Hoover, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Kingsview, Lakelands Park, Montgomery Village, Neelsville, John Poole, Ridgeview Rocky Hill, Hallie Wells, and Julius West. No elementary schools are included in the boundary study.

As part of the adopted FY 2025–2030 CIP, the approved completion date for the new Crown High School is August 2027. As part of the adopted FY 2025–2030 CIP, the approved completion date for the new Crown High School is August 2027. Due to fiscal constraints, the County Council shifted expenditures for the Damascus High School Major Capital Project to the out-years of the adopted FY 2025–2030 CIP with a “to be determined” completion date. Information regarding this boundary study is available on the MCPS website at the following link: <https://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/planning/crowndamascusboundarystudy/>

SCHOOLS

Crown High School

Planning Issue: See text under Cluster Planning Issues.

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 for 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 FY2024 appropriation was approved for construction funds. Due to the continued effects of Covid-19 pandemic on construction cost increases, the budget for this project was insufficient to complete the construction scope as originally intended. Therefore, to move forward with the construction and remain

on schedule, the Board of Education approved, as part of the FY2025–2030 CIP, a Phase II for this project which will include the construction of the auditorium. The build out of the shell, the outside structure, of the auditorium is part of the Phase I construction. Funding to construct the fit-out of the auditorium, Phase II, will be considered in the next CIP budget cycle. An FY 2025 appropriation was approved for the balance of funding. This new high school is scheduled to be completed August 2027.

Quince Orchard High School

Planning Issue: See text under Cluster Planning Issues.

Lakelands Park Middle School

Planning Issue: See text under Cluster Planning Issues.

Ridgeview Middle School

Planning Issue: See text under Cluster Planning Issues.

CAPITAL PROJECTS

School	Project	Project Status*	Date of Completion
Crown HS	New School	Approved	August 2027

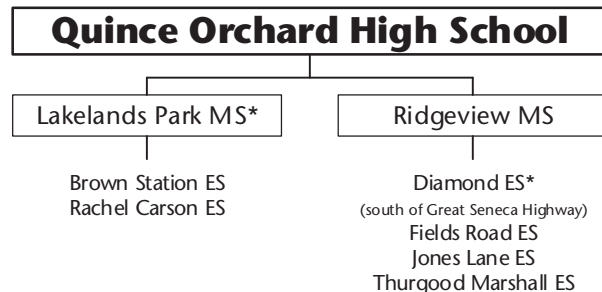
Approved—Project has an approved FY 2025 appropriation in the FY 2025–2030 CIP for planning or construction funds.

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.

Quince Orchard Cluster Articulation

2023–2024 School Year



* Diamond ES (north of Great Seneca Highway) and Damestown ES also articulate to Lakelands Park MS, but thereafter to Northwest HS. See Appendix U for multicolored maps of the service areas.

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Projected Enrollment and Space Availability Effects of the Adopted FY 2025–2030 CIP and Non-Capital Actions

Schools		Actual	Projections							
		23-24	24-25	25-26	26-27	27-28	28-29	29-30	2033	2038
Quince Orchard HS	Program Capacity	1800	1800	1800	1800	1800	1800	1800	1800	1800
	Enrollment	2150	2201	2269	2271	2249	2263	2278	2410	2410
	Available Space	(350)	(401)	(469)	(471)	(449)	(463)	(478)	(610)	(610)
	Comments	See Text								
Crown HS	Program Capacity					2219	2219	2219	2219	2219
	Enrollment					0	0	0	0	0
	Available Space					2219	2219	2219	2219	2219
	Comments	See Text				Opens				
Lakelands Park MS	Program Capacity	1154	1154	1154	1154	1154	1154	1154	1154	1154
	Enrollment	1014	998	1023	1041	1060	1068	1074	1080	1080
	Available Space	140	156	131	113	94	86	80	74	74
	Comments	See Text								
Ridgeview MS	Program Capacity	955	955	955	955	955	955	955	955	955
	Enrollment	749	752	741	754	767	773	777	760	760
	Available Space	206	203	214	201	188	182	178	195	195
	Comments	See Text								
Brown Station ES	CSR	Program Capacity	723	723	723	723	723	723	723	
	Enrollment	631	679	682	702	720	725	726		
	Available Space	92	44	41	21	3	(2)	(3)		
	Comments									
Rachel Carson ES	Program Capacity	726	726	726	726	726	726	726	726	
	Enrollment	674	650	643	684	673	661	672		
	Available Space	52	76	83	42	53	65	54		
	Comments									
Fields Road ES	CSR	Program Capacity	450	450	450	450	450	450	450	
	Enrollment	449	467	460	459	462	466	467		
	Available Space	1	(17)	(10)	(9)	(12)	(16)	(17)		
	Comments									
Jones Lane ES	Program Capacity	510	510	510	510	510	510	510	510	
	Enrollment	453	448	449	466	431	435	442		
	Available Space	57	62	61	44	79	75	68		
	Comments									
Thurgood Marshall ES	CSR	Program Capacity	479	479	479	479	479	479	479	
	Enrollment	594	605	571	579	576	585	586		
	Available Space	(115)	(126)	(92)	(100)	(97)	(106)	(107)		
	Comments									
Cluster Information	HS Utilization	119%	122%	126%	126%	125%	126%	127%	134%	134%
	HS Enrollment	2150	2201	2269	2271	2249	2263	2278	2410	2410
	MS Utilization	84%	83%	84%	85%	87%	87%	88%	87%	87%
	MS Enrollment	1763	1750	1764	1795	1827	1841	1851	1840	1840
	ES Utilization	97%	99%	97%	100%	99%	99%	100%		
ES Enrollment	2801	2849	2805	2890	2862	2872	2893			

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Facility Characteristics of Schools 2023–2024

Schools	Year Facility Opened	Year Reopened/ Revitalized/ Maj. Cap. Proj.	Total Square Footage	Site Size Acres	Adjacent Park	Relocatable Classrooms*	County Programs
Quince Orchard HS	1988		284,912	30.1		15	
Lakelands Park MS	2005		153,588	8.11	Yes		
Ridgeview MS	1975		145,168	20			
Brown Station ES	1969	2017	113,998	9	Yes		
Rachel Carson ES	1990		78,547	12.4			
Fields Road ES	1973		72,302	10		4	
Jones Lane ES	1987		60,679	12.07			
Thurgood Marshall ES	1993		77,798	12		5	

*See Appendix H for relocatable use.