

School Capping Recommendations & Calendar Discussion

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Objectives

- Provide an overview of the capping process.
- Highlight recommended changes.
- Discuss calendar options.
- Answer Questions.

Strategic Plan Alignment

Alignment with Core Beliefs

- **Core Belief # 7** which references optimal learning environments, sufficient resources and well-maintained facilities

Alignment with Strategic Priorities

- **Priority # 3: Operational Effectiveness** which references an inviting and safe environment for every school

Alignment to Strategic Priority # 3 Aims:

- **Equity Focused Practices:**
 - **Aim 13** which references systemic expectations around equity
- **Effective Operations, Services, and Facilities:**
 - **Aim 16** which references Metrics for accountability
 - **Aim 18** which references prioritizing safety
 - **Aim 20** which references systemic processes balancing operational efficiency, fiscal responsibility and environmental sustainability

Definitions

- Capped Schools - Schools that have been approved to stop enrolling students as they have exceeded their available capacity.
- Overflow Schools - Schools with available capacity and are designated to receive students from assigned capped schools.
- Crowded Schools - Schools that have more students enrolled than the school was designed to hold.



Crowding Management

Crowding Management Tools

- Add capacity with new schools, renovations or trailers
- Provide and encourage consideration of magnet school choices
- Adjust student assignment areas
- Apply enrollment caps
- Change a school's traditional calendar to year round



Enrollment Cap Considerations

Capping Considerations

- Class size legislation
- Impacts to school capacity
- Core facilities overloaded
- Alternative means of accommodating growth within school building exhausted
- Trailer additions not possible
- Projected enrollment growth beyond capacity

Capping Consideration Details

- Must accommodate students living in their base prior to cap
- Program classrooms converted to capacity classrooms
- K-1 classrooms must be on first floor
- K-1 accommodated in trailers and/or a modular
- Number of co-teaching classrooms
- Number of combination classrooms
- Number of students per classroom

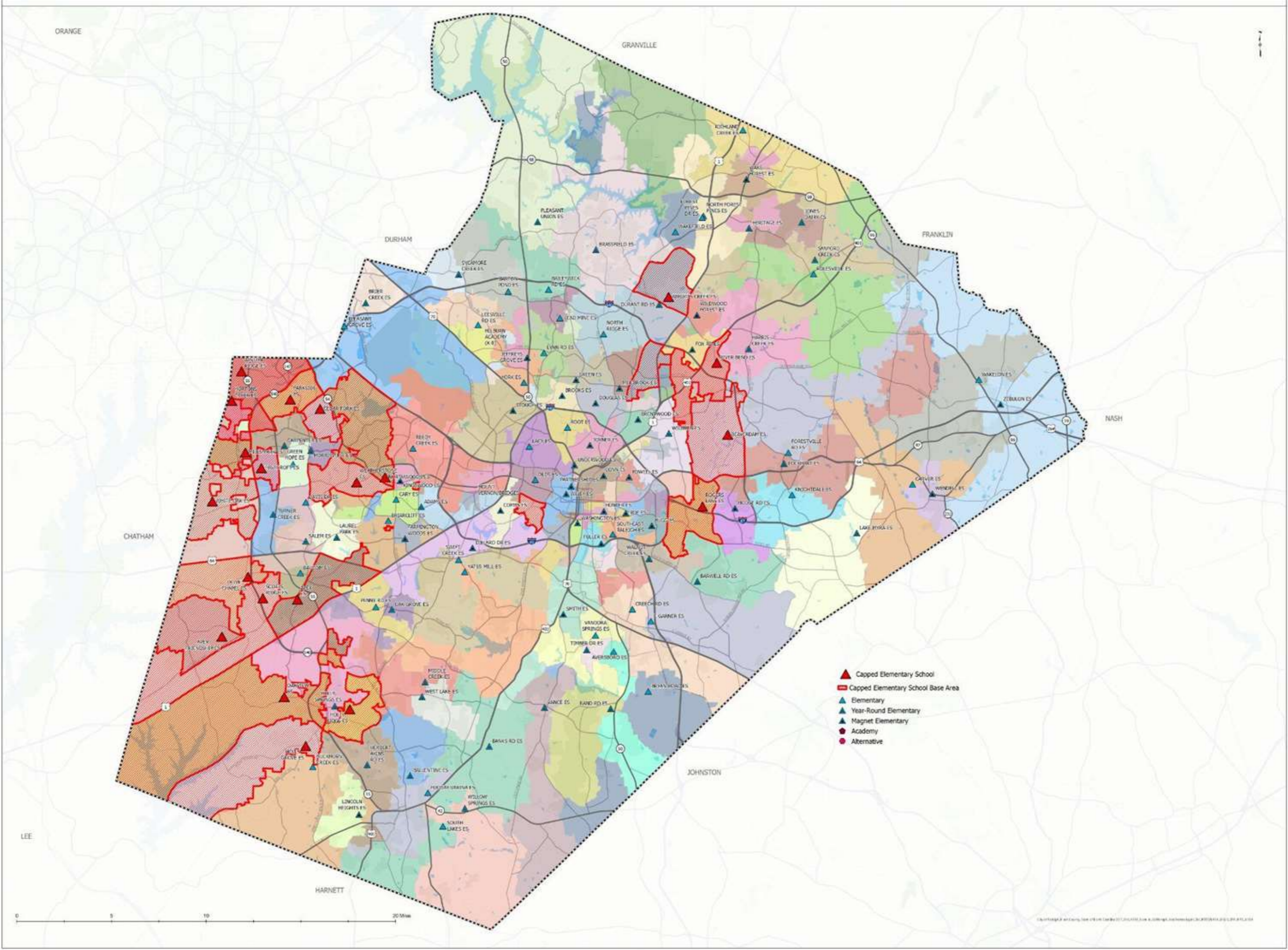
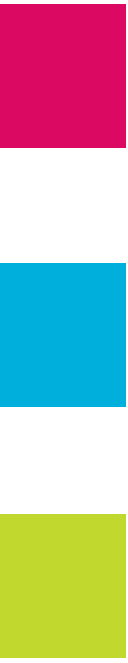
K-3 Class Size Legislation Details

- K class size - 18:1 (max 21)
- 1st grade class size - 16:1 (max 19)
- 2nd and 3rd grade class size - 17:1 each (max 20)

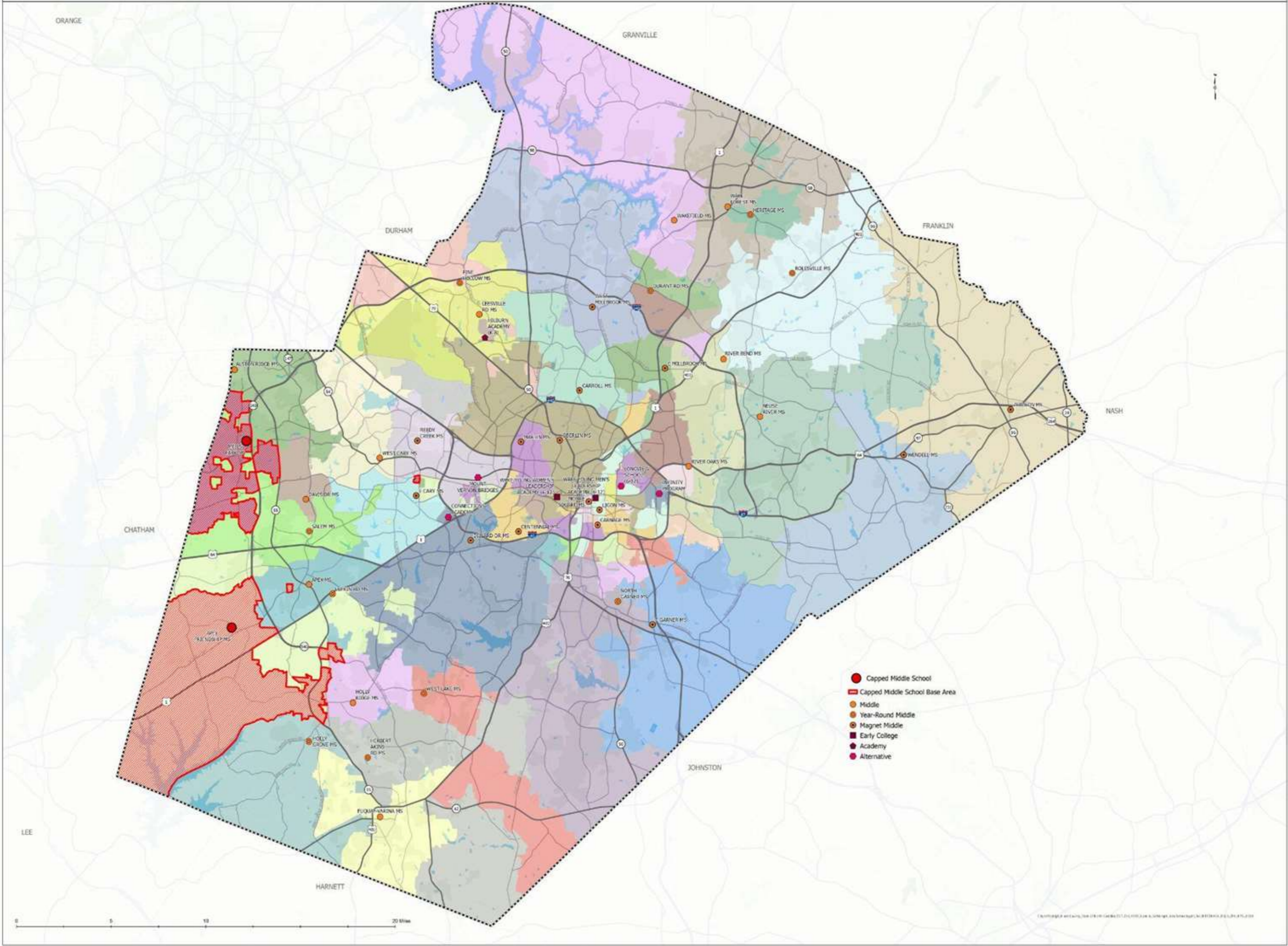
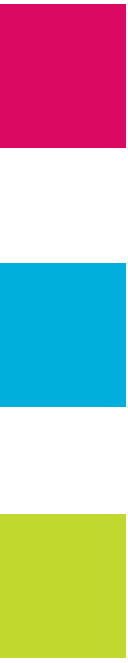
2022-23 Capped Schools (20 Elementary, 2 Middle, 3 High)

Elementary		Middle	High
Abbotts Creek	Mills Park	Apex Friendship	Apex Friendship (plus feeder pattern cap)
Alston Ridge (MTYR)	Northwoods	Mills Park (plus feeder pattern cap)	Heritage
Apex	Oakview		Panther Creek
Apex Friendship	Olive Chapel (MTYR)		
Beaverdam	Parkside (MTYR)		
Cedar Fork	River Bend		
Highcroft Drive	Rogers Lane		
Holly Grove (MTYR)	Scotts Ridge		
Holly Ridge	Weatherstone		
Hortons Creek	White Oak		

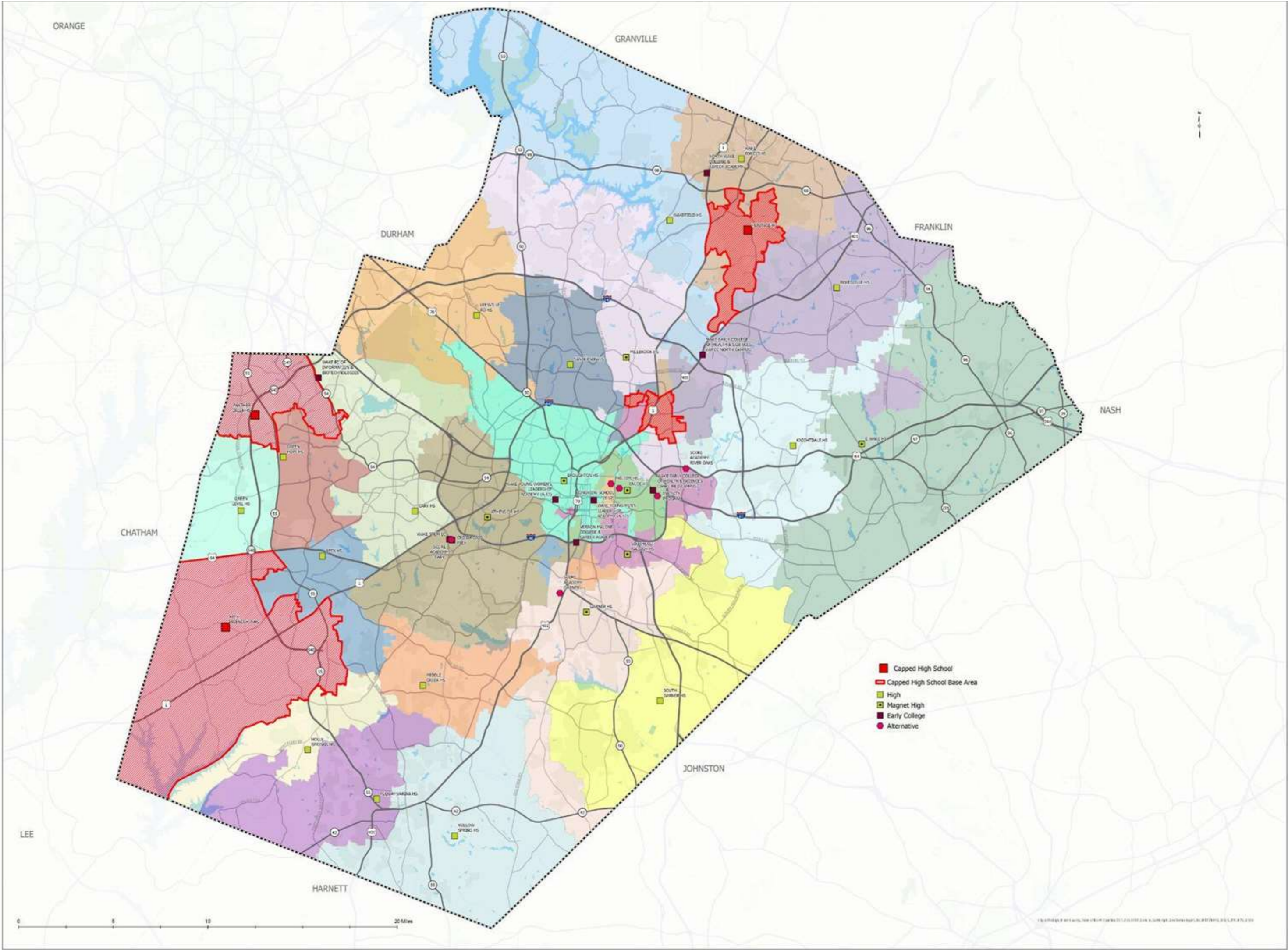
CAPPED ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AREAS 2023-24



CAPPED MIDDLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AREAS 2023-24



CAPPED HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AREAS 2023-24





Enrollment Cap Recommendations

2023-24 Capping Recommendations (Cap Removal)

Schools	% Crowding w/Trailers	Overflow Schools	% Crowding w/Trailers
Apex ES	105.6%	Baucom ES (2024) @Woods Creek ES (E51)	79.1%
		Penny Road ES	87.0%
Highcroft Drive ES	92.8%	Turner Creek (M-T) ES	96.8%
Mills Park ES	93.5%	Carpenter (M-T) ES	100.9%

- Crowding relief is being realized with enrollment plan changes and future capacity increases from proximate new schools and renovations.

2023-24 Capping Recommendations (Overflow School Changes)

Schools	% Crowding w/Trailers	Overflow Schools	% Crowding w/Trailers
Parkside (M-T) ES	101.7%	Adams (M-T) ES	83.1%
		Carpenter (M-T) ES	100.9%
Panther Creek HS	99.6%	Green Level HS (2019)	97.7%
		Green Hope HS	85.1%

- Increases stability for families.
- Reduces strain on transportation.
- One school is sufficient for overflow students from these capped schools.
- Majority of capped out students attend overflow schools.

Recommendations

Staff proposes:

- Remove the caps at Apex ES, Highcroft ES and Mills Park ES.
- Change Overflow School for Parkside (M-T) ES to Carpenter ES.
- Change Overflow School for Panther Creek HS to Green Hope HS.

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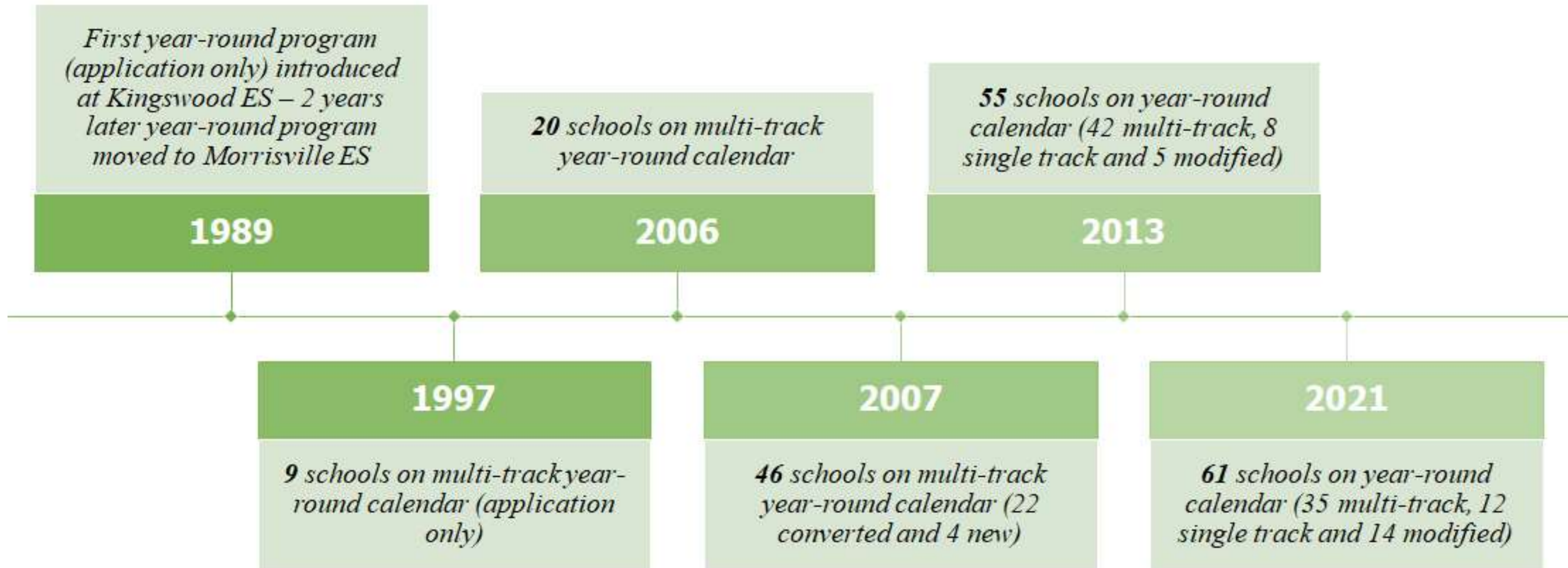


Calendar Discussion

Options for Addressing Crowding Concerns

- Reassignment
 - Capital Improvement Plan (new or renovated schools)
 - Trailer placements
- Capping
- Multi-Track Year-Round Calendar

History of Multi-Track Year-Round Schools



*2024-2025 school year: **64** schools on year-round calendar (33 multi-track, 16 single track and 15 modified)

Identification and Outreach

- Identify crowded schools not projected to be addressed by future reassignments or through the Capital Improvement Plan
- Identify under-utilized multi-track year-round schools not projected to be addressed through future reassignments
- Collect public feedback via ThoughtExchange

Next steps

- Approval of 2023-24 Capping Recommendations: February Work Session/BOE Meeting
- Annual process review with capped and overflow schools: Spring 2024
- Student Membership Forecast: February Facilities Committee Meeting
- 2024-25 FUR Projections - March Facilities Committee Meeting
- Trailers 101 - Refresh - April Facilities Committee Meeting
- Report out on public feedback and potential recommendations for multi-track year-round schools for 2025-26: Spring 2024

Next Steps – Timeline and Questions

