



2017: Bennett & Watkins Area Developments

Potential New Students over the Next 10 Years

Medium Pace – The two serious developments proceed in Bennett (Bennett Crossing & Prospect Ridge) and all developments in Watkins proceed at 50%:

Year	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
# Students	11	65	177	198	365	350	316	277	274	371
+ Current (1059)	1070	1135	1312	1510	1875	2225	2541	2818	3092	3463

Current Capacity = 1,220
Delta in 2026 = (-2243)

Slow Pace – Only Prosper Farms proceeds in Watkins and Bennett Crossing & Prospect Ridge proceed in Bennett, at 50% buildout:

Year	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
# Students	6	33	147	169	149	143	134	134	134	131
+ Current (1059)	1065	1098	1245	1414	1563	1706	1840	1974	2108	2239

Current Capacity = 1,220
Delta in 2026 = (-1,019)



2017: Master Plan Criteria

What's Important to Consider for Bennett's Master Facilities Plan?

- Enrollment is increasing and we need to accommodate students with appropriate facilities. Consideration should be given to:
 - Transportation and Parking.
 - Food Service.
 - Assembly and Conference Space
 - Classrooms.
 - Special Education.
 - Special Programs, such as STEM.
 - Athletics.

- Targeted class sizes:
 - K – 5th : 16-20 students. (in lieu of 22)
 - 6th- 8th: 25 students.
 - 9th – 12th : 25 students.

- Safety and security of students, staff and visitors is a priority. We support ongoing efforts to keep our buildings and grounds safe.



2017: Master Plan Criteria (cont'd)

What's Important to Consider for Bennett's Master Facilities Plan?

- Future plan should be fiscally responsible.
- New facilities and sites must have the potential for building expansion.
- Consider different grade configurations.
 - The traditional configuration (K-5, 6-8, 9-12) is acceptable but other options could be explored based on capacity and funding.
- Support academic success.
 - Provide facilities, technology, and programs that will insure Bennett students have the knowledge/skills to compete and succeed in a global economy.
 - Accommodate today's learning styles and academic needs.
 - Classroom size flexibility is important.
- Maintain the school as the center of the community even when Watkins begins development.



2017: Master Plan Criteria (cont'd)

What's Important to Consider for Bennett's Master Facilities Plan?

- Provide for ADA accessibility.
- Integrate new facilities plans with recent investments, such as mechanical system upgrades.
- Consider the growing interest in the community for energy efficiency, but be fiscally responsible.
- Provide appropriate acoustical separation between instructional areas and other spaces, such as Multi-Purpose.
- The entire facility should have the capability to utilize modern technology.



2017: Potential Solutions

- + ➤ Change grade configuration in buildings and make use of under-utilized space, to address the short-term need. This was the temporary solution that was presented to the BOE in 2016. The District is already implementing this in the current buildings.
- + ➤ Start planning to build additions or new facilities when overcrowding becomes a critical issue.
- + ➤ Consider modular buildings, to deal with immediate capacity needs. Currently, the District is looking into this possibility.
- + ➤ Increase capacity by allowing more students per class
- ➤ Consider year-round or multi-track school schedule
- ➤ Consider charter school opportunities. Bennett has a charter school in town. The committee considered this option, but not likely to be integrated now. It may be considered in the future.