
Bond Update

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Discovery Process

Five Rounds of Exploration and Feedback

- Seven Options Narrowed to Two Choices



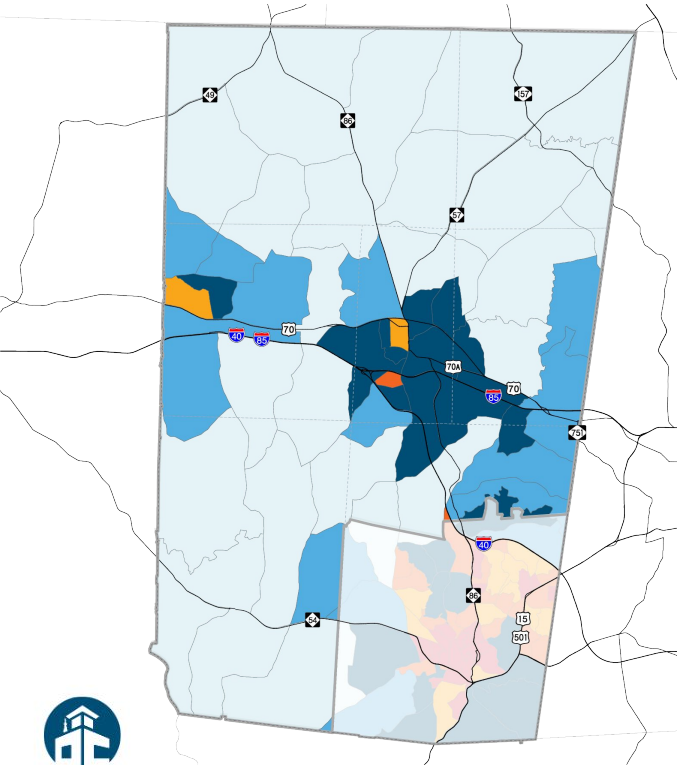
Objectives

- **District Enrollment & Utilization**
- **Facility Conditions**
- **Community Engagement**
- **Path Forward**
- **Provide Strategic Direction**

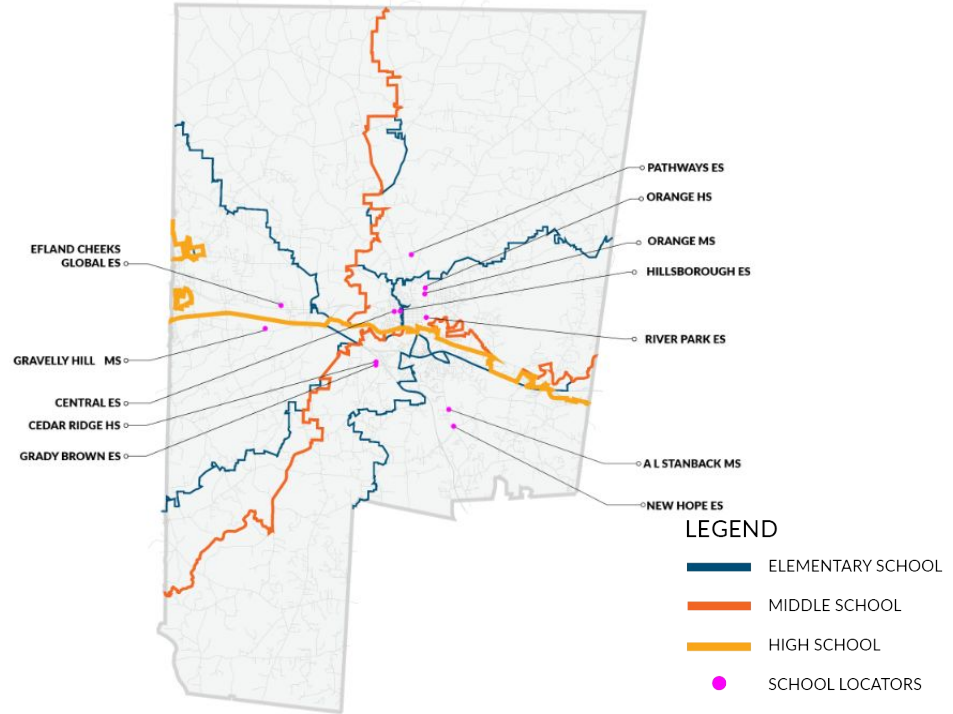
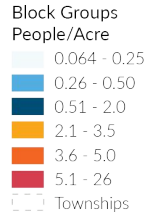


District Enrollment

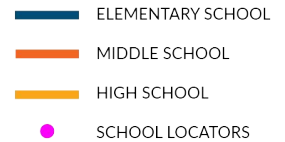
Current Districting & Population Growth (2020 Census)



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District Enrollment

Elementary School

- Overall 8.3% Decline

Middle School

- Overall 8.4% Decline

High School

- Overall 0.9% Decline

Elementary Schools	
<i>Central Elementary</i>	-14.1%
<i>Efland Cheeks Elementary</i>	18.3%
<i>Grady Brown Elementary</i>	-5.6%
<i>Hillsborough Elementary</i>	-4.8%
<i>New Hope Elementary</i>	-16.5%
<i>River Park Elementary</i>	-15.5%
<i>Pathways Elementary</i>	-15.4%
Total Elementary Schools	-8.3%
Middle Schools	
<i>A L Stanback Middle</i>	2.7%
<i>Orange Middle</i>	-20.1%
<i>Gravelly Hill Middle</i>	-7.3%
Total Middle Schools	-8.4%
High Schools	
<i>Cedar Ridge High</i>	4%
<i>Orange High</i>	-7%
Total High Schools	-0.9%

Provided by Orange County Public Schools Staff



Utilization

Historic Trends

- 2016-2025
- 5.9% Decline

OREd Forecast

- 12.0% Growth

Strategic Decision

- Portfolio Masterplan
- School Assignment Study

2016-25 Utilization Trend & OREd Forecast						2025	2035	2034
School	2025	2016-2025	2035	2034	Capacity	Enrollment	Enrollment	OREd
	Enrollment	Trend	Enrollment	OREd		Utilitization	Utilitization	Utilitization
Central Elementary	275	-14.1%	236	354	438	62.8%	54.0%	80.8%
Efland Cheeks Elementary	518	18.3%	613	570	476	108.8%	128.7%	119.7%
Grady Brown Elementary	401	-5.6%	378	414	496	80.8%	76.3%	83.5%
Hillsborough Elementary	440	-4.8%	419	437	463	95.0%	90.5%	94.4%
New Hope Elementary	522	-16.5%	436	558	553	94.4%	78.8%	100.9%
River Park Elementary	527	-15.5%	445	595	551	95.6%	80.8%	108.0%
Pathways Elementary	330	-15.4%	279	284	452	73.0%	61.8%	62.8%
Total Elementary Schools	3,013	-8.3%	2,807	3,211	3,429	87.9%	81.8%	93.6%

School	2025	2016-2025	2035	2034	Capacity	2025	2035	2034
	Enrollment	Trend	Enrollment	OREd		Utilitization	Utilitization	Utilitization
A L Stanback Middle	653	2.7%	670	698	844	77.4%	79.4%	82.7%
Orange Middle	522	-20.1%	417	627	676	77.2%	61.7%	92.8%
Gravelly Hill Middle	420	-7.3%	389	538	775	54.2%	50.2%	69.4%
Total Middle Schools	1,595	-8.4%	1,477	1,863	2,295	69.5%	64.4%	81.2%

School	2025	2016-2025	2035	2034	Capacity	2025	2035	2034
	Enrollment	Trend	Enrollment	OREd		Utilitization	Utilitization	Utilitization
Cedar Ridge High	1,145	4.2%	1,193	1,312	1,328	86.2%	89.8%	98.8%
Orange High	1,170	-7.1%	1,087	1,425	1,310	89.3%	83.0%	108.8%
Total High Schools	2,364	-0.9%	2,280	2,737	2,754	85.8%	82.8%	99.4%
OCS Total	6,972	-5.9%	6,564	7,811	8,478	82.2%	77.4%	92.1%

24-11-15 SAPFO Capacity Form &
24-01-16 Orange County OREd Capacity Tables



Facility Conditions

Each option focuses on
Priority One projects



Priority One

ORANGE COUNTY SCHOOLS

Facility	Strategy	Budget
Central ES (Partial Rebuild)	Replacement School	\$34.5M
New ES	New School	\$49.5M
Hillsborough ES	Consolidate	\$1.3M
Orange MS	Replacement School	\$71.5M
New Hope ES	Adequacy	\$13.0M
Partnership Academy	Replacement School	\$9.4M
	Total	\$179.2M

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Priority Two

ORANGE COUNTY SCHOOLS

Facility	Strategy	Budget
Efland-Cheeks ES	Adequacy	\$3.4M
Grady Brown ES	High Priority Needs	\$4.8M
Pathways ES	High Priority Needs	\$4.7M
River Park ES	High Priority Needs	\$6.7M
Cedar Ridge HS	High Priority Needs	\$6.3M
Maintenance Department	High Priority Needs	\$0.0M
Orange HS	Replacement School	\$153.9M
Transportation Department	High Priority Needs	\$1.7M
	Total	\$181.5M

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Priority Three

ORANGE COUNTY SCHOOLS

Facility	Strategy	Budget
Welcome Center	High Priority Needs	\$0.7M
A.L. Stanback MS	Renovation	\$54.0M
Gravelly Hill MS	Renovation	\$48.5M
	Total	\$103.2M

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Community Engagement

February 2025

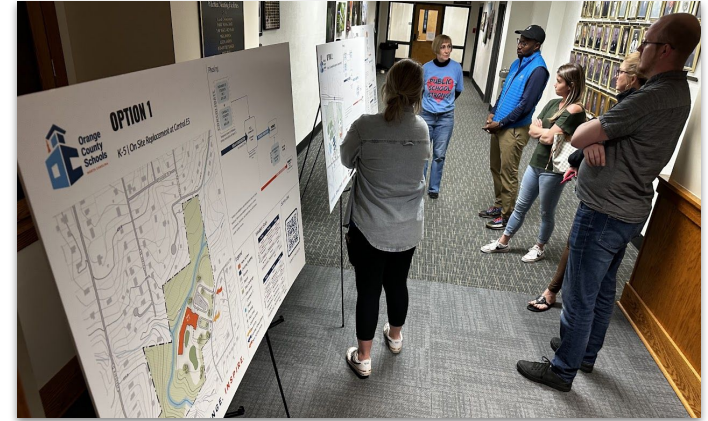
391 Survey Participants

Two Public Engagement Sessions

April 2025

493 Survey Participants

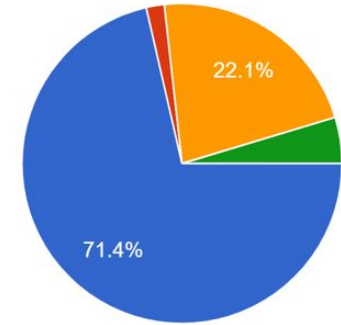
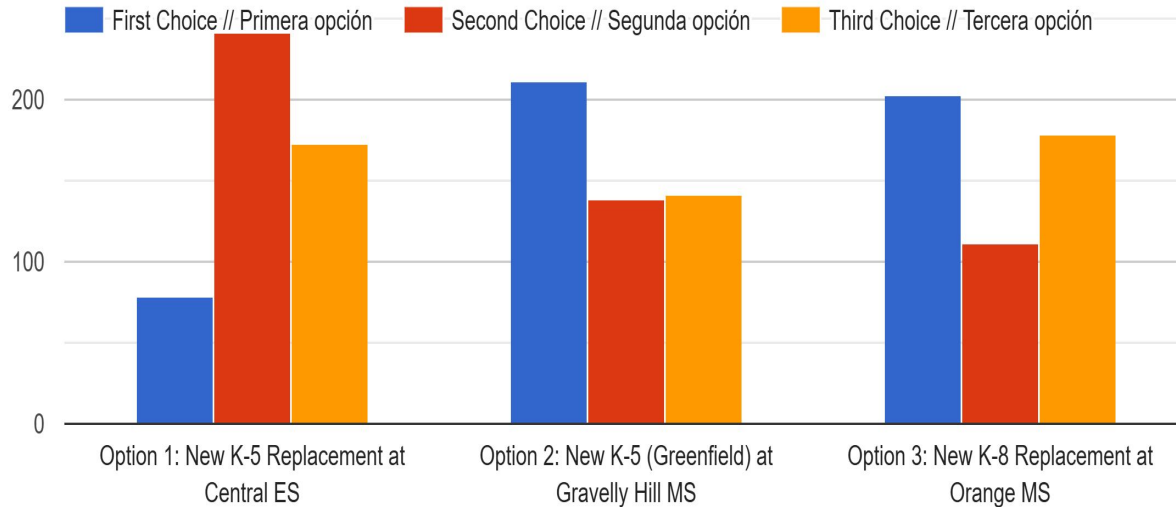
**Four Public Engagement Sessions
(3 Days, 3 Locations)**



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Community Engagement

April 2025 Rankings Survey (493 participants)



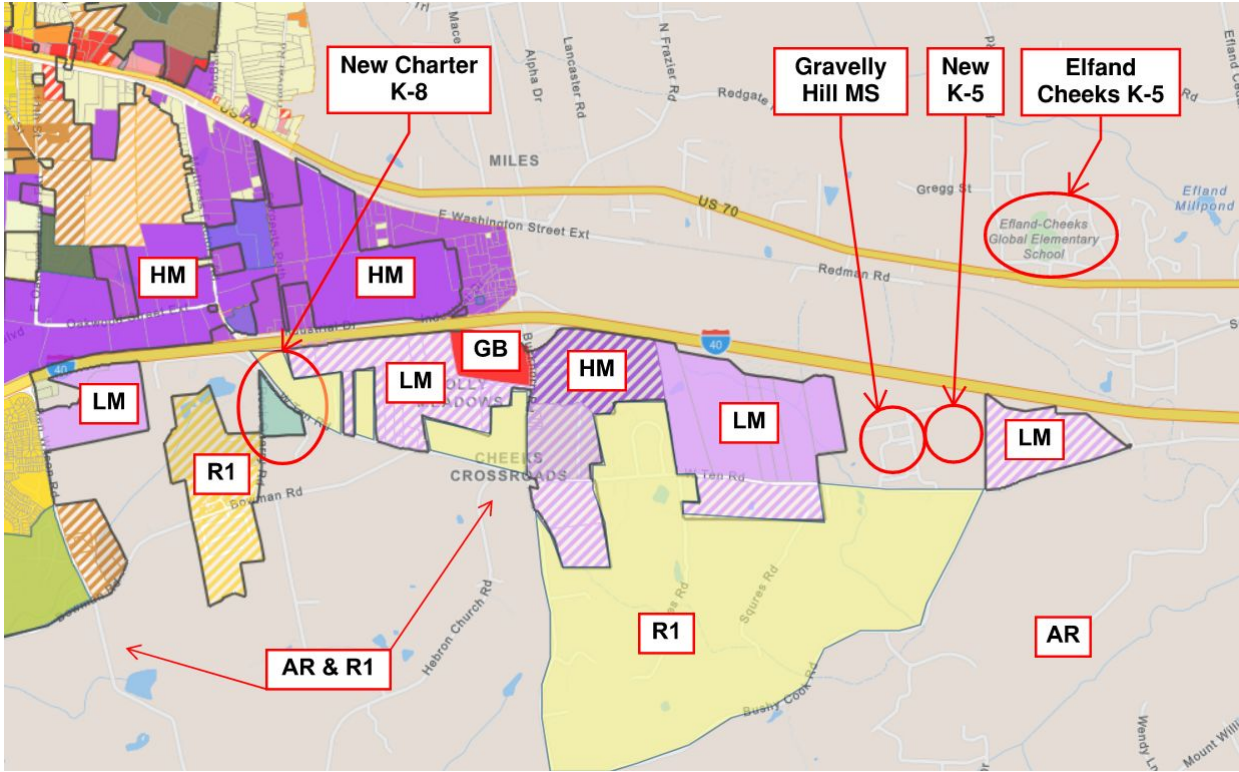
- Parent/Guardian of Student // Padre/madre/tutor del estudiante
- Student // Estudiante
- OCS Staff // Personal de OCS
- Interested Community Member // Miembro interesado de la Comunidad



West Ten Road Zoning

R1: Residential Low Density
GB: General Business
LM: Light Manufacturing
HM: Heavy Manufacturing










K-8 Charter	2.6 Miles
Efland Cheeks ES	3.7 miles

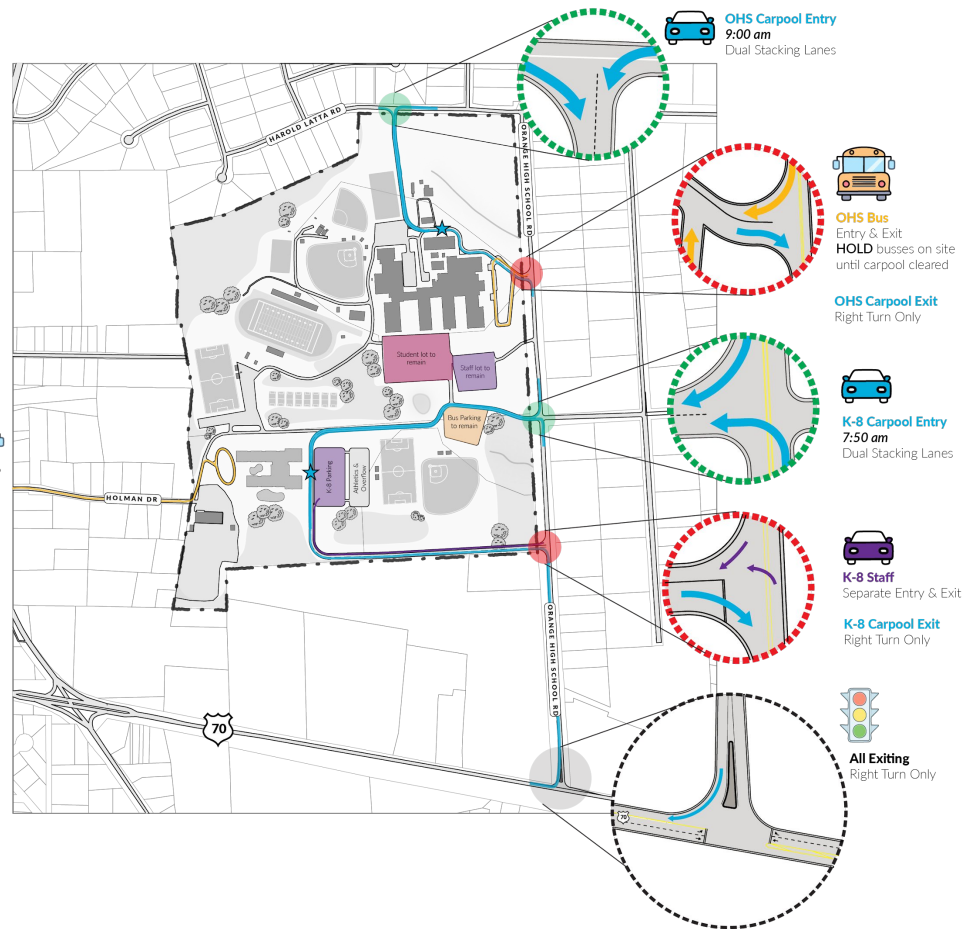


Solving Orange MS Traffic

- **Athletic Fields Remain Intact**
- **Update Drop-off Loops to Modern Standards**

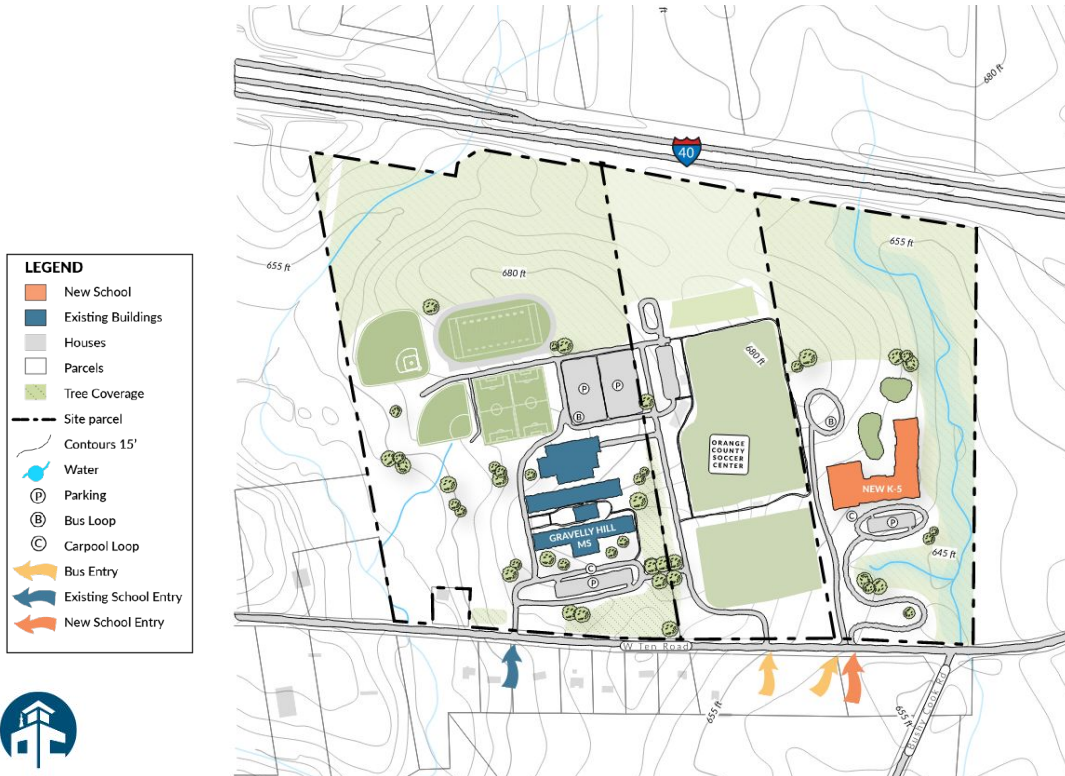
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-  Carpool Loop
-  Bus Loop
-  Staff Entrance (K-8)
-  Site Exit Enlargement
-  Site Entry Enlargement
-  HS Student Parking
-  Bus Parking
-  Staff Parking
-  Drop-Off Zone



New K-5 Strategy

Greenfield Site Adjacent to Gravelly Hill MS



Key Factors of K-5 Strategy

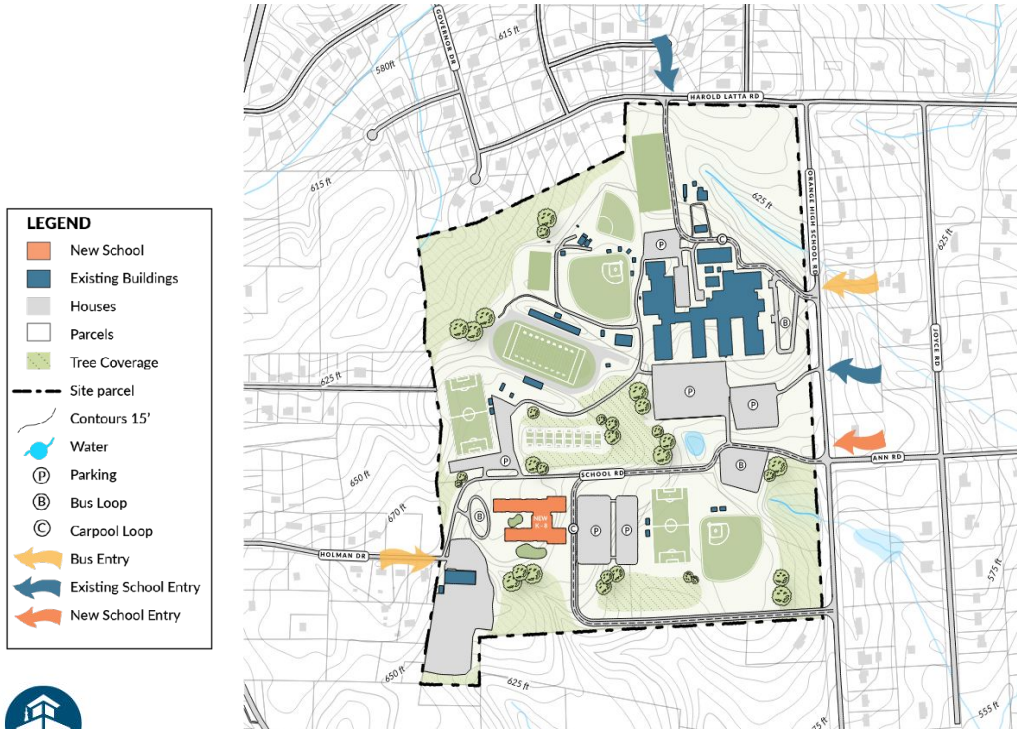
Gravelly Hill K-5 Budget (450)	\$ 50,008,360
ES Renovation Budget (525)	\$ 21,661,712
Orange MS Renovation Budget (525)	\$ 35,730,315
Total Budget for K-5 Strategy	\$ 107,400,387
Total # Students Served	1,500
Cost Per Student	\$ 71,600
Area of New Construction	68,000
Area of Renovation	152,950
Years of Construction	5
Students Impacted by Occupied Renovations	1,050



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New K-8 Strategy

On Site Replacement at Orange MS



Key Factors of K-8 Strategy

Orange K-8 Budget (1,050)	\$ 83,571,967
ES Renovation Budget (525)	\$ 21,661,712
Total Budget for K-8 Strategy	\$ 105,233,679
Total # Students Served	1,575
Cost Per Student	\$ 66,815
Area of New Construction	133,000
Area of Renovation	56,950
Years of Construction	4
Students Impacted by Occupied Renovations	525



The Path Forward

- **Provide Strategic Direction**
 - New K-5 Strategy or New K-8 Strategy
- **Review and Select Project Delivery Method**
- **Identify Optimal Utilization Rate**
- **Engage Design Team to Execute Strategic Direction**
 - Issue RFQ for School Option Design & Portfolio Masterplan
 - Re-Engage NCSU ITRE to Optimize School Attendance Zones



Next Step

Provide Strategic Direction

Prioritize Choice:

New K-5 Strategy or New K-8 Strategy



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