

PIEDMONT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Board of Education
FROM: Randall Booker, Superintendent
DATE: January 26, 2022
RE: **ENROLLMENT CAPACITY**

I. SUPPORT INFORMATION

At the Board’s request, District staff has developed the following Enrollment/Capacity Study to help determine the appropriate student enrollment capacity at each site. In determining appropriate enrollment levels, factors include: number of appropriately-sized classrooms and contractual class size limits.

Enrollment

Resident elementary-age students are most frequently placed in the attendance area of their residence. At times, a neighborhood school may be at capacity and students may have to be redirected to another Piedmont School. All resident Piedmont students are provided a District school placement regardless of capacity.

The District accepts inter-district transfers per Board Policy/Administrative Regulation 5117. Capacity limits may impact the acceptance and/or placement of these inter-district transfers.

Capacity

The Piedmont Unified School District strives to meet the needs of each student and believes that lower class sizes are desirable for providing a high quality educational program. We believe that the high performance of our students is in part attributable to the intense level of adult support they receive on a daily basis.

The current collective bargaining agreement between the District and the Association of Piedmont Teachers states that “the staffing ratio for each elementary and secondary site will be 1:28 or less.”

Furthermore, the California Department of Education provides additional funding to Districts that maintain class size averages of 1:24 at the K-3 levels.

General Education “Class Size” Program Capacity

Beach, Havens, Wildwood Elementary Schools

1:24 in grades K-3, 1:28 in grades 4-5

(over the years, through the generous contributions of the Piedmont Education Foundation, the District has been able to maintain a class size ratio of 1:26 in grades 4-5)

Piedmont Middle School 1:28 in grades 6-8

Piedmont High School 1:28 in grades 9-12

Millennium High School (Alternative High School) 1:20 in grades 9-12

Special Education “Class Size” Program Capacity

Capacity in special education is guided by a programmatic design that prioritizes low adult to student ratios and is consistent with caseload limitations defined by Education Code.

Per Education Code, Resource Specialist caseloads must not exceed 1:28. Special Day Class (aka Home Base) teacher to student ratios should not exceed 1:12 as the intensive needs of students in such a class require a highly individualized and closely monitored learning environment.

General Education Facility Capacity

Beach Elementary			
Grade	Room #	Number of Students 21-22	Space Available for 22-23
K	21	21	2 Kinder classes @ 24 max 48 students
K	20	22	
1	18	21	43/48 students +5 students
1	17	20	
2	15	17	41/48 students +7 students
2	13	14	
3	10	18	31/48 students +17 students
3	11	19	
3	9	19	
4	9	24	56/78 students +22 students
4	7	23	
5	1	23	47/52 students +5 students
5	2	23	
	Totals:	264	+56 spaces available (1st - 5th grades)

Havens Elementary			
Grade	Room #	Number of Students 21-22	Space Available for 22-23
TK	114	19	2 TK Classes @ 18 max +36 students
TK	114	16	
K	113	20	35/72 students +37 students
K	101	19	
K	109	20	
1	117	21	59/72 students +13 students
1	322	23	
1	305	23	
2	324	20	67/72 students +5 student
2	338	20	
2	311	20	
3	326	23	60/72 students +12 students
3	309	23	
3	307	22	
4	340	25	68/78 students +10 students
4	351	26	
4	353	25	
5	344	24	76/78 students +2 students
5	342	25	
5	357	24	
	Totals:	438	+42 spaces available (1st - 5th grades)

Wildwood Elementary			
Grade	Room #	Number of Students 21-22	Space Available for 22-23
K	58	21	2 Kinder classes @ 24 max +48 students
K	14	20	
1	5	19	41/48 +7 students
1	4	20	
2	7	22	39/48 students +9 students
2	6	22	
3	10	22	44/48 students +4 students
3	9	21	
4	8	23	43/52 students +9 students
4	12	23	
5	13	24	46/52 students +6 students
5	11	24	
	Totals:	261	+35 spaces available (1st - 5th grades)

Elementary Enrollment Trends

Year	Beach	Havens	Wildwood	Totals
2011-2012	323	496	310	1129
2012-2013	362	505	293	1160
2013-2014	364	517	317	1198
2014-2015	362	533	298	1193
2015-2016	335	497	311	1143
2016-2017	313	493	302	1108
2017-2018	298	476	302	1076
2018-2019	277	439	296	1012
2019-2020	266	466	281	1013
2020-2021	264	444	264	972
2021-2022	264	438	261	963
2022-2023*	262*	432*	253*	947*

Average Enrollment Changes due to new students coming into our elementary schools and existing students exiting over a four year period (excluded 20-21 due to pandemic issues)

	Average mid-year change - 4 yrs (no pandemic)	Total seats available for 22-23 (all elementary schools combined)	Total seats taking into account average new and exiting resident students over the course of the year and students currently enrolled for 22-23 as of 01/21/22
TK	0	+36	+27*
K	+2.5	+133	+104*
1	+10.75	+25	+14
2	+6	+21	+15
3	+0.5	+33	+32
4	+3	+41	+38
5	+1.5	+13	+11
Totals	+24.25	+	+217

* Number represented equals number of seats available, including for residents

Piedmont Middle School
Enrollment Trends

Year	6th	7th	8th	Totals
2011-2012	190	217	184	591
2012-2013	218	190	221	629
2013-2014	187	220	195	602
2014-2015	228	196	221	645
2015-2016	250	236	195	681
2016-2017	206	251	241	698
2017-2018	208	207	250	665
2018-2019	231	211	210	652
2019-2020	200	235	214	649
2020-2021	164	194	228	586
2021-2022	158	164	188	510
2022-2023*	167*	159*	165*	491*

* Projected Enrollment

Average Enrollment Changes due to new students coming into Piedmont Middle School and existing students exiting over a four year period (excluded 20-21 due to pandemic issues)

	Average mid-year change - 4 yrs (no pandemic)	Total seats available for 22-23	Total seats taking into account average new and exiting resident students over the course of the year
6th	+8.5	+59	+50
7th	+1	+66	+65
8th	-0.25	+60	+59
Totals	+9.25	+186	+174

Capacity in relation to PMS Core/8th Grade English Classes:

Maximum Capacity of eight (8) Core/8th Grade English Classes per Grade level =
 28 students x 8 classes per grade level = 224 students

For 21-22, PMS hosts six (6) Core classes in 6th and 7th grades, seven (7) 8th Grade English Classes per Grade level =
 28 students x 6 classes per grade level = 168 maximum

The District receives approximately \$9,700 per student from state and federal funds.

- For every 28 students, PUSD adds approximately 1.5 FTE in certificated/classified staff (approx. \$124,000)
- 13 additional students = \$126,100

Projected enrollment for 22-23:

2022-2023	Projected Enrollment*	Fiscal benchmarks			
6th Grade	176*	7 classes = 196 maximum	20 IDT spaces	+33-48 students 8th class	
7th Grade	160*	6 classes = 168 maximum	8 IDT spaces	+21-36 students 7th class	+49-64 students 8th class
8th Grade	164*	6 classes = 168 maximum	4 IDT spaces	+17-32 students 7th class	+45-60 students 8th class

In past years, the enrollment for Piedmont Middle School has hovered below 700 students (approximately 225 students per class).

**Piedmont High School
Enrollment Trends**

Year	9th	10th	11th	12th	Totals
2011-2012	219	179	179	174	751
2012-2013	188	207	173	175	743
2013-2014	214	187	197	172	770
2014-2015	194	214	178	198	784
2015-2016	226	214	204	178	800
2016-2017	202	192	191	198	811
2017-2018	226	220	208	188	813
2018-2019	239	191	184	205	855
2019-2020	202	232	215	182	831
2020-2021	206	197	225	211	839
2021-2022	229	205	207	229	880
2022-2023*	198*	229*	205*	207*	839*

* Projected Enrollment

Average Enrollment Changes due to new students coming into Piedmont High School and existing students exiting over a four year period (excluded 20-21 due to pandemic issues)

	Average mid-year change - 4 yrs (no pandemic)	Total seats available for 22-23	Total seats taking into account average new and exiting resident students over the course of the year
9th	-9.5	+27	+37
10th	-5	0	0
11th	-5.75	+20	+14
12th	-3	+18	+21
Totals	-23.25	+75	+82

Capacity in relation to PHS English Classes:

Maximum Capacity of eight (8) English Classes per Grade level =
 28 students x 8 classes per grade level = 224 students

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- For every 28 students, PUSD adds approximately 1.5 FTE in certificated/classified staff (approx. \$124,000)
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Projected enrollment for 22-23:

2022-2023	Projected Enrollment*	Fiscal benchmarks		
9th Grade	188*	7 classes = 196 maximum	8 IDT spaces	+21-36 students 8th class
10th Grade	224*	8 classes = 224 maximum	0 IDT spaces	No space
11th Grade	199*	7 classes = 196 maximum	0 IDT spaces	+10-25 students 8th class

In past years, the highest enrollment for Piedmont High School has been 900 students (approximately 225 students per class).

Millennium High School

Millennium High School serves students who live in Piedmont and those who live in the surrounding area. Out-of-district students attend via an Inter-district Transfer Permit from their home school district. Once accepted into MHS, these students must be able to submit an Inter-district Transfer Permit from their home school district to the Piedmont Unified School District.

Applications may be submitted for the fall 2022 semester starting in February, 2022. Applications components may be downloaded below. Please complete and submit ALL THREE components of the application to be considered. Please note that PUSD requires all students to be fully vaccinated against Covid-19. The following text are hyperlinks.

1. [MHS 2022-23 Application Checklist](#)
2. [22-23 MHS Application – Student Responses, Work Samples & Agreements](#)
3. [MHS Student Enrollment Forms and Teacher Recommendation Forms](#)

Students who appear to be able to benefit from MHS’ model will be invited to an in-person interview with their parents/ guardians.

Millennium High School Enrollment Trends

Year	Millennium High School
2016-2017	79
2017-2018	70
2018-2019	60
2019-2020	68
2020-2021	55
2021-2022	57 (as of 1/19/22)
	9th: 14 (9 IDT)
	10th: 10 (7 IDT)
	11th: 20 (14 IDT)
	12th: 13 (8 IDT)
2022-2023*	70*

*MHS’s IDT capacity is pending the number of PHS and/or PMS transfers. All IDTs are accepted if seats are available and their educational needs can be met through MHS’s alternative high school programming.

Average Enrollment Changes due to new students coming into Millennium High School and existing students exiting over a four year period (excluded 20-21 due to pandemic issues)

	Average 4 yrs (no pandemic)	Total seats available for 22-23	Total seats taking into account average new and exiting resident students over the course of the year
9th	+10	+10	+10*
10th	+15	+1	+1*
11th	+20	+10	+10*
12th	+25	+6	+6*
Totals	+70	+27	+27*

*MHS's IDT capacity is pending the number of PHS and/or PMS transfers. All IDTs are accepted if seats are available and their educational needs can be met through MHS's alternative high school programming.

Implications of Program Capacity

The District's programmatic capacity as defined above will be utilized in making decisions about the placement of resident students who, in some cases, must be redirected to sites that are outside of their neighborhood school zone when capacity will be exceeded. In addition, programmatic capacity will guide the District's ability to accept or deny and place inter-district transfer requests.

II. **RECOMMENDATION: INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION**

The Board will continue discussions on the District's enrollment and capacity.