

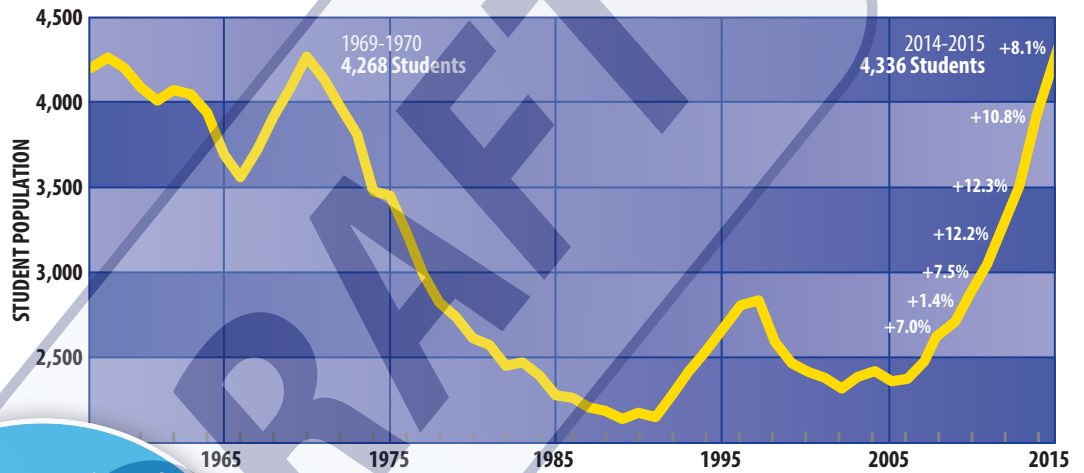
INFORMATION sheet



Planning for Practical Growth

Based on student achievement, City Schools of Decatur's is among the most effective public school systems in Georgia. Our students continually perform above state and national averages on standardized tests at all grade levels, and our teachers, on average, have 13 years of classroom experience. This has resulted in unprecedented growth in City Schools of Decatur's (CSD) student population. There are more students now (4,336) than at any point in the last 45 years. And the student body has nearly doubled in just the last 8 years. This poses challenges to CSD's goal of providing safe and inviting schools in which to educate students.


CSD Enrollment 1957-2015



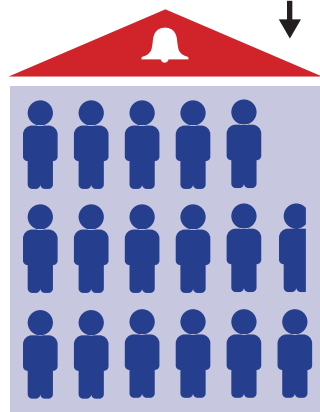
Low-Growth Enrollment Projections

CSD Enrollment	2015 (current)	2020 (projected)
K-3	1,663	1,936
4/5 Academy	668	1,174
Renfroe Middle School	932	1,735
Decatur High School	1,073	1,683
Total	4,336	6,527

CSD has been planning for growth but needs classroom space for this growing student population, which is heavily weighted in the elementary grades. CSD currently has 590 more students in grades K-3 than in the high school, which is already at capacity.

 = 100 students

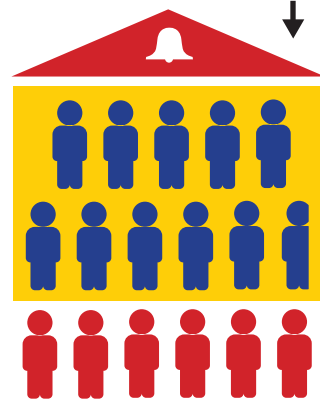
existing elementary capacity



1,663 students - 1,073 students =

Current enrollment K-3 (four grades)

existing high school capacity



Current enrollment DHS (four grades)

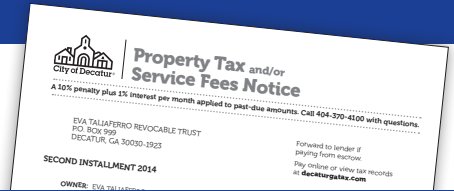
Even with no growth, when the students now in grades K-3 advance to grades 9-12, DHS will be over capacity by

590 students

The school board has determined that its best strategy for managing expected growth and ensuring that students will be educated in safe and inviting schools calls for a \$75 million general obligation bond. This strategy will meet 95% of projected capacity for 2020 in the high school and 97% for grades K-3.

What will \$75 million provide?

- Complete next phase(s) at the **high school and middle school**
- Purchase land for **additional sites**
- Construct a new **elementary school**
- Construct a new **early childhood learning center**
- Renovate/refurbish **College Heights** as an **elementary school**
- Acquire **portable classrooms** for unmet demand



What does a \$75 million bond mean for taxpayers?

Assessed Home Value	Daily Cost	Monthly Cost	Yearly Cost
\$150,000	56¢	\$17.02	\$204.23
\$300,000	\$1.12	\$34.04	\$408.47
\$500,000	\$1.87	\$56.73	\$680.78
\$700,000	\$2.61	\$79.42	\$953.09

Property Tax Impact 25-year amortization

Tax Year	\$75 MILLION GO BOND	
	2016	2017-41
Millage Increase	1.47	2.72
Tax on \$150,000 home	109.95	204.23
Tax on \$300,000 home	219.90	408.47
Tax on \$500,000 home	366.50	680.78
Tax on \$700,000 home	513.10	953.09
Bond Issue Statistics		
True Interest Cost	2.921%	
Average Annual Debt Servic	4,241,000	

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For a full review of the documentation and related documents, see also:

- ▶ csdecatur.net/master-plan/Joint_BOE_and_commission_Annexation.pptx
- ▶ decaturga.swagit.com/play/11122014-714
- ▶ csdecatur.net/master-plan/CSD%20Enrollment%20Report.pdf
- ▶ csdecatur.net/master-plan/rms-master-plan
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