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Frequently Asked Questions

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1. What is the capacity of each of the school buildings? Will the schools be overcrowded with reconfiguration?

School	MSBA Student Enrollment Capacity	Enrollment when renovation was completed (2008)	Current Enrollment (as of 10/1/21)	Proposed Enrollment with Reconfiguration	
				Grades PreK-7	Grades PreK-8
Jacobs Elementary School	785	538	378	496	557

School	MSBA Student Enrollment Capacity	Enrollment when renovation was completed (2005)	Current Enrollment (as of 10/1/21)	Proposed Enrollment with Reconfiguration	
				Grades 8-12	Graded 9-12
Hull High School	450	399	248	309	248

School	MSBA Student Enrollment Capacity	Enrollment when renovation was completed (2002)	Current Enrollment (as of 10/1/21)
Memorial Middle School	355	330	179

2. Is there a payback cost to the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) if the School Committee gives up control of the Memorial School?

The Memorial Middle School renovation project was completed in June of 2002 and the Memorial Middle School bond has been paid off. We are currently working with the MSBA to determine whether there will be any potential financial impact resulting from the Memorial Middle School's removal from service.

3. Will the Hull Public Schools lose federal funding if the School Committee gives up control of the Memorial Middle School?

Chapter 70 federal funding is based on student population. It is not based on the number of school facilities utilized in a district.

4. Will services for special education suffer if the schools are reconfigured?

No, in fact, special education services may improve because of increased collaboration, fewer student transitions and limited need for staff to travel between buildings. Additionally, the district remains obligated to implement services based on student's individualized educational programs.

5. What is the impact to the School Department budget with the loss of the revenue from renting to South Shore Educational Collaborative?

The South Shore Educational Collaborative has expressed a verbal commitment to a long-term lease agreement of the 2nd or 3rd floor of the Memorial Middle School.

6. Will there be a parking shortage at the Jacobs Elementary School and at Hull High School if Memorial Middle School is removed from service?

At this time, twenty-five parking spaces at the Jacobs Elementary School are occupied by South Shore Educational Collaborative staff and there is room in the current parking lot to add approximately fifteen additional parking spaces. At the Hull High School, there is room to add the necessary parking spaces.

7. If Hull High School houses grades eight through twelve, will the course offerings decrease for grades nine through twelve?

No, course offerings will not decrease for students in grades nine through twelve. In fact, overtime course offerings most likely will expand for all students.

8. If Jacobs Elementary School houses PreK-7 , will the course offerings change for grades six and seven?

No, course offerings will not change for students in grades six and seven. In fact, course offerings most likely will expand for students.

9. Will there be space for the Hull Family Network if the schools reconfigure?

Yes, there will be space for Hull Family Network. However, the location could be at its original location near central office or at the middle school.

10. Will small class sizes continue if the schools reconfigure?

As a district priority, we will do our best to maintain small class sizes based on funding and enrollment changes. The district's goal remains; doing what is in the best interest of students.

11. Will grade eight traditions continue if the district reconfigures?

Yes, we are mindful of the importance of traditions and we will work together to ensure students have a positive experience.

12. Will there be a traffic flow issue at the Jacobs Elementary School if additional grades are housed there?

The traffic flow was designed for a capacity of 785 students. Based on projected enrollment with grades PreK - 7 housed at the Jacobs Elementary School, there would be 496 students. Previous enrollment of the Jacobs Elementary School in 2008 was 538 students.

13. Will there be a traffic flow issue at Hull High School if grade 8 is housed there?

The traffic flow was designed for a capacity of 450 students. Based on projected enrollment with grades 8-12 housed at Hull High School, there would be 309 students. Previous enrollment at HHS in 2005 was 399 students.

14. Is there data to support PreK-7, 8-12 reconfiguration?

- Consistent data driven student intervention and acceleration Pre-7-7
- Consistent implementation of special education services Prek-7
- One less transition for students
- Allows grade 8 students more opportunities for involvement at an earlier age, which may reduce students who leave for a different high school
- With low enrollment the middle school and high school will continue to have a degree of excess capacity that creates a sparse atmosphere in the schools.

15. How will 8th graders be separated?

Four classrooms will be assigned to the 4 grade 8 content teachers in the same area of the HHS building so students would rotate between the 4 classrooms. Grade 8 students may be assigned lunch with grade 9 students. Transition protocols will be put in place.

16. What is the repayment schedule for the turf field?

- The school's portion of the field repayment is as follows:

FY21	\$111,034
FY22	\$98,252
FY23	\$96,648
FY24	\$95,043
FY25	\$93,439
FY26	\$91,835
FY27	\$90,231
FY28	\$88,627
FY29	\$87,023
FY30	\$85,419
FY31	\$83,815
FY32	\$82,211
FY33	\$78,107
FY34	\$76,503

17. How will the district repay the bond if South Shore Educational Collaborative no longer rents space in Hull?

The MOU with the Town will absorb costs created by any loss of revenue, as a result of SSEC changing the number of classrooms they lease in the schools.

18. If grade 8 moves to Hull High School do courses get included as part of their transcripts?

Even without the move, grade 8 will add Algebra 1 and Spanish 1 to high school transcripts. All other subjects taken in grade 8 will not be on their transcripts.

19. Will 8th grade count toward class rank and valedictorian with a grade 8-12 model?

No, grade 8 will not count towards class rank and valedictorian.

20. Will discipline be applied to 8th graders according to Hull High School guidelines?

Yes, same handbook will be in place for grades 8-12.

21. Will we need to add any additional JV or freshman teams if 8th graders are at Hull High School?

Not likely and the process in place now allows for the creation of new teams if enrollment warrants the expansion.

22. Will Jacobs be able to offer more co-curricular activities for all grades?

All programs will be continued and most likely more offered as there are more staff available to facilitate them at Jacobs.

23. Will band be offered at Jacobs for all grades or just 6th and 7th?

At this time the plan is to add band in grades 4 and 5.

24. Will the theatre program be impacted?

No impact is expected to the theatre program.

25. Will school Central Office move to Memorial Middle School to allow more space and offerings at Jacobs?

The possibility has been considered and at this time no need has been determined for the space. This idea will be kept in mind for future consideration.