

ITEM FOR INFORMATION**REVIEW LONG-RANGE FACILITY PLANNING GUIDELINES****SUMMARY**

Staff will review the long-range facility planning guidelines approved by the board in March 2026, and discuss next steps based on these guidelines.

BACKGROUND

The Long-Range Facility Planning Committee (LRFPC) was convened to study the district's enrollment decline and develop recommendations to help ensure every student has access to safe, well-maintained schools and high-quality learning environments.

The committee first created a set of guiding principles, called "North Stars," to shape its review. These principles focused on making sure our school facilities support the goals that students are known and supported, resources are used equitably and sustainably, schools foster belonging and students are prepared for future success.

The committee reviewed extensive data about enrollment forecasts, school boundaries, building conditions and district finances; considered key challenges facing the district, including declining enrollment, aging facilities, uneven enrollment patterns and budget pressures; identified the impacts if no action is taken, such as growing inequities between schools and reduced resources for students; reviewed a shared problem statement; and considered planning implications to guide next steps.

As charged, the committee developed a set of recommendations to the superintendent to guide future facility planning, intended to support data-informed decision-making and long-range planning aligned with projected enrollment and facility needs as well as students' educational experience. The board approved these recommendations with revisions based on community feedback on March 10, 2026.

RECOMMENDATION

This is presented for review of the approved guidelines and next steps. No immediate action is needed at this time.

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