

# **MUKILTEO SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 6**

# CAPITAL FACILITIES PLAN 2024 – 2029

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#### **SECTION 1 - INTRODUCTION**

### **Purpose of the Capital Facilities Plan**

The Washington State Growth Management Act (GMA) outlines 15 broad goals including the adequate provision of necessary public facilities and services. Public Schools are among these necessary facilities and services. Public school districts adopt capital facilities plans to satisfy the requirements of RCW 36.70A.070 and to identify additional school facilities necessary to meet the educational needs of the growing student populations anticipated in their districts.

The Mukilteo School District (District) has prepared this six-year Capital Facilities Plan (CFP) in accordance with the Washington State Growth Management Act and the codes of Snohomish County, City of Mukilteo, and City of Everett. This CFP is intended to provide these jurisdictions with a description of projected student enrollment and school capacities at established levels of service over the six-year period, 2024-2029.

The District prepared its original CFP in 1994 based on the criteria set forth in the GMA. When Snohomish County adopted its GMA Comprehensive Plan in 1995, it addressed future school capital facilities plans in Appendix F of the General Policy Plan. Appendix F established the criteria for future updates of the District's CFP.

In accordance with the Growth Management Act and the Snohomish County School Impact Fee Ordinance, this CFP contains the following required elements:

- Future enrollment forecasts for each grade span (elementary, middle, and high schools).
- An inventory of existing capital facilities owned by the District showing the locations and capacities of the facilities.
- A forecast of the future needs for capital facilities and school sites. The proposed capacities of expanded or new capital facilities.
- A six-year plan for financing capital facilities within projected funding capacities which
  identifies sources of public money for such purposes. The financing plan separates projects
  and portions of projects that add capacity from those which do not, since the latter are
  generally not appropriate for impact fee funding.
- A calculation of impact fees to be assessed and support data substantiating said fees.

In developing this CFP, the District followed the guidelines set forth in Appendix F of the General Policy Plan:

- Information must be obtained from recognized sources, such as the U.S. Census or the Puget Sound Regional Council. School districts may generate their own data if it is derived through statistically reliable methodologies. Information must be consistent with Office of Financial Management (OFM) population trends. Student generation rates must be independently calculated by each school district.
- The CFP must comply with RCW Chapter 36.70A (the Growth Management Act).
- The methodology used to calculate impact fees must comply with RCW Chapter 82.02. In the event that impact fees are not available due to action by the state, county, or cities within the District, future CFP's would identify alternative funding sources.

When the County adopted its School Impact Fee Ordinance in November 1997, it established the specific criteria for the adoption of a CFP and the assessment of impact fees in the County. Section 3

of the ordinance defines the requirements for the biennial CFP updates. Table 1 of the ordinance outlines the formulae for determination of impact fees.

Snohomish County's Countywide Planning Policies direct jurisdictions in Snohomish County to "ensure the availability of sufficient land and services for future K-20 school needs." Policy ED-11. The District appreciates any opportunity for cooperative planning efforts with its jurisdictions.

#### **Overview of the Mukilteo School District**

Twenty-six square miles in area, the Mukilteo School District encompasses the City of Mukilteo, portions of the City of Everett, and portions of unincorporated Snohomish County. The District is bordered on the north and east by the Everett School District and by the Edmonds School District to the south.

The District serves a student population of 14,646 (October 2023) with one kindergarten center, twelve elementary schools (grades K-5), four middle schools (grades 6-8), two comprehensive high schools (grades 9-12), and one small choice high school (grades 9-12). For the purposes of facility planning, this CFP considers grades K-5 as elementary, grades 6-8 as middle school, and grades 9-12 as high school. For purposes of this CFP, enrollment in the Sno-Isle Skills Center is not included as the Skills Center is a regional career and technical education partnership serving students from 14 different school districts and does not have space that can be utilized by Mukilteo School District for its traditional K-12 education purposes.

The most significant issues facing the District in terms of providing classroom capacity to accommodate existing and projected demands are:

- Capacity needs during the six-year period of the plan at the elementary and high school grade spans.
- Uneven growth rates between geographic sectors within the District. These uneven growth
  patterns result in some schools reaching maximum capacity sooner than others and this will
  increase the difficulty of maintaining stable school service area boundaries.
- Uncertainty of growth rates for new housing development and enrollment given the
  unprecedented nature of the Covid-19 pandemic and its ongoing impacts on construction and
  district enrollment. While the District experienced a pandemic-related enrollment decline,
  future projections still show growth and Snohomish County's Comprehensive Plan continues
  to identify large population growth in the coming years with high concentrations in the Mukilteo
  School District boundary areas.

#### SECTION 2 - DISTRICT EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM STANDARDS

#### **Primary Objective**

To best optimize student learning, Mukilteo School District establishes a service standard for classroom capacity utilization. This requires a constant review and assessment of curriculum and instructional changes, student learning behaviors, learning environments, technological innovations and program development. Additional variables include changes in mandatory requirements issued by the state such as the implementation of full day kindergarten, Core 24 graduation requirements, and required reduction in class size ratios. These elements as well as demographic projections are weighed when determining service levels. School facility and student capacity needs are determined by the types and amounts of space required to accommodate the District's adopted educational program. The educational program standards that typically drive facility space needs include grade configuration, optimum facility size, class size, educational program offerings, classroom utilization and scheduling requirements, and use of relocatable classrooms (portables). These elements, as well as demographic projections, are weighed when determining standard of service levels.

In addition to student population, other factors such as collective bargaining agreements, government mandates and community expectations also affect classroom space requirements. Traditional educational programs are often supplemented by programs such as specialized education, multilingual education, early childhood learning programs, computer labs, and music/performing arts programs. These programs can have a significant impact on the available student capacity of school facilities.

#### **District Educational Program Standards**.

Special programs offered by the District at specific school sites include, but are not limited to:

Advanced Placement (high school)

Special Education (resource or specialized)

Special Education (early childhood)

Summer School

Highly Capable Program (grades 3-8)

Multi-Lingual Learner
Dual Language
World Languages

Community-Based Transition Program

**ECEAP** 

Music Programs

Computer & Technology Labs

Title 1 Support

Library/Media Centers

Speech Language Pathologists

Performing Arts Health & Fitness Science Labs

Occupational Therapy/Physical Therapy

Career Centers (High School) Student Stores (High School)

Learning Assistance Programs (LAP) Mukilteo Behavioral Support Center Career and Technical Education College in the High School

**ACES Big Picture** 

The above programs affect the capacity of some of the buildings housing these programs. Special programs usually require space modifications and frequently require lower class sizes than other, more traditional programs; this affects available school capacity as it results in greater space requirements. These requirements affect the utilization of rooms and result in school capacities varying from year to year (as programs move or grow, depending on space needs, capacity can increase or decrease in a school).

District educational program standards may change in the future because of various external or internal changes. External changes may include mandates and needs for special programs or use of technology. Internal changes may include modifications to the program year, class sizes, and grade

span configurations. Changes in physical aspects of the school facilities could also affect educational program standards. The school capacity inventory will be reviewed periodically and adjusted for any changes to the educational program standards. These changes will also be reflected in future updates of this CFP.

The educational program standards that directly affect school capacity are outlined below for the elementary, middle, and high school grade levels.

## **Educational Program Standards for Elementary Schools**

- Planning class size for Kindergarten through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade is 21 students per classroom
- Class size for Kindergarten through third grade cannot exceed 25 students
- Planning class size grades 4 and 5 is 23 students per classroom
- Class size for grades 4 and 5 cannot exceed 26 students
- Special Education for some students is provided in self-contained classrooms of 8-12 students per classroom
- Music and physical education instruction will be provided in a separate classroom
- Schools have a room dedicated as a computer lab
- It is not possible to achieve 100% utilization of all regular teaching stations throughout the day. Therefore, classroom capacity is adjusted using a utilization factor of 85%

#### **Educational Program Planning Standards for Middle and High Schools**

- Planning class size for middle school grades is 25 students per teacher
- Class size for middle school grades 6 through 8 cannot exceed 30 students
- Planning class size for high school grades is 27 students per teacher
- Class size for high school grades 9 through 12 cannot exceed 33 students
- The ACES high school program limits capacity to 200 students
- It is not possible to achieve 100% utilization of all regular teaching stations throughout the day. Therefore, classroom capacity is adjusted using a utilization factor of 85%
- Identified students will also be provided other programs in classrooms designated as computer labs, resource rooms and other program specific classrooms (i.e., music, drama, art, family and consumer science, special education, career and technical education and Multi-Lingual Learner).

#### **Minimum Level of Service**

Planning class sizes are used to determine school capacities, they are not a measure of the District's minimum level of service. The minimum level of service is defined as the maximum level of enrollment the District can accommodate at any given time. The minimum level of service is not the District's desired level for providing education. At current program offerings and within existing permanent and portable facilities, the District's minimum level of service is:

Grade Level	# of Scheduled	Min.	2021-22 Level	2022-23 Level
	Teaching	Level of	of Service	of Service
	Stations	Service		
K-5	325	25	20.4	20.6
6-8	166	30	21.3	21.0
9-12	161	33	28.0	27.8

#### **SECTION 3 - CAPITAL FACILITIES INVENTORY**

Under the GMA, a public entity must periodically determine its capacity by conducting an inventory of its capital facilities. Table 3.1 summarizes the permanent facility capacity owned and operated by the District. Information is also provided on relocatable classrooms (portables), school sites and other district owned facilities or land.

School facility capacity was inventoried based on the space required to accommodate the District's adopted educational program standards.

#### **Schools**

The District operates a kindergarten center, twelve elementary schools, four middle schools, two comprehensive high schools, a small choice high school, and the Sno-Isle Skills Center. Elementary schools accommodate grades K-5 with three schools currently also serving preschool; middle schools serve grades 6-8; high schools provide for grades 9-12; ACES high school and the Sno-Isle Skills Center serve grades 10-12.

School capacity is determined based on the number of classrooms within each building and the space requirements of the District's currently adopted educational program. It is the capacity calculation that is used to establish the District's baseline capacity, and to determine future capacity needs based on projected student enrollment.

The Sno-Isle Skills Center is not included in capacity calculations or student enrollment projections for the purposes of capital facilities planning within the District. The Skills Center is a regional career and technical education partnership serving students from 14 different school districts and does not have space that can be utilized by Mukilteo School District for its traditional K-12 education purposes.

Relocatable classrooms (portables) are not viewed by the District as a solution for housing students on a permanent basis. Therefore, these facilities were not included in the school capacity calculations provided in Table 3.1.

Capacities will change from year-to-year based on changes to existing instructional programs, projected future programs and the resulting required space needed to deliver the instructional model at each specific site. Capacity takes into consideration the specific programs that actually take place in each of the rooms and the required service levels previously listed. Because of the need to provide planning time and space for teacher preparation or other required services, some facilities will only support a capacity utilization of 85%. Capacities are updated in each CFP to reflect current program needs and classroom utilization.

Table 3.1 – Permanent Facility Inventory

School	Site Size (Acres)	Bldg Area (Sq. Feet)	Year Built/ Modernized	Permanent Capacity
Challenger	10	57,469	1987/2023	385
Columbia	9.6	65,219	1989	520
Discovery	9.3	76,270	1988/2017/2022	534
Endeavour	9.4	53,376	1994	376
Fairmount	15	66,189	1952/1999	505
Horizon	19	57,164	1989/2023	436
Lake Stickney	9.8	74,167	2016	632
Mukilteo	9.8	41,706	1981	429
Odyssey	10.9	60,631	2003	511
Olivia Park	9.5	49,881	1956/1992	582
Pathfinder*		65,035	2017	378
Picnic Point	10	39,271	1981	389
Serene Lake	10	42,740	1969/1994	377
Total K-5	132	749,118		6,054
Explorer	29.5	129,539	1972/2005	915
Harbour Pointe	17.8	110,400	1993	819
Olympic View	25.2	114,541	1955/2017	951
Voyager	16	106,954	1992	918
Total 6-8	89	461,434		3,603
ACES	5.8	19,833	1985/1997	0
Kamiak	60.7	255,478	1993/2002	1,675
Mariner	37.1	281,560	1971/2003/2019	1,964
Total 9-12	104	556,871		3,639

<sup>\*</sup>Shared site, acreage included in Fairmount Elementary

# **Relocatable Classrooms (Portables)**

Relocatable classrooms (portables) provide interim classroom space to house students until funding can be secured to construct permanent classrooms. The District currently uses 128 relocatable classrooms at various school sites throughout the District to provide additional interim capacity. Current use of relocatable classrooms throughout the District is summarized in Table 3.2.

<sup>\*\*</sup>ACES capacity is entirely in relocatable classrooms not considered permanent capacity.

Table 3.2 – 2023-24 Portable Classroom Inventory

School	Classroom Portables	Interim Capacity
Challenger	11	175
Columbia	0	0
Discovery	14	280
Endeavour	6	71
Fairmount	4	0
Horizon	6	100
Lake Stickney	0	0
Mukilteo	10	108
Odyssey	8	91
Olivia Park	5	25
Pathfinder	0	0
Picnic Point	6	96
Serene Lake	4	100
Subtotal K-5	74	1,046
Explorer	8	161
Harbour Pointe	1	0
Olympic View	0	0
Voyager	0	0
Subtotal 6-8	9	161
1		
ACES	13	200
Kamiak	16	329
Mariner	16	354
Subtotal 9-12	45	883
TOTAL K-12	128	2,090

<sup>\*</sup>The District's portable classrooms are in good condition and with ongoing maintenance have an indeterminate remaining useful life. Portables are calculated at 986 square feet per classroom.

#### Schools Closed to Out of District Transfers

Schools continue to add capacity when portable classrooms are added and/or computer labs and other flexible spaces are converted to classroom spaces. However, this practice is not a long-term solution for capacity needs because the core facilities of the building do not support the additional enrollment. Therefore, the District calculates capacity for out-of-district transfers at the lesser of:

- The sum of permanent capacity and portable capacity, or
- 700 students for elementary schools; 825 students for middle schools; and 1,900 students for high schools.

In addition, any school that transfers kindergarten students to Pathfinder Kindergarten Center to provide space for first-through-fifth grade instruction is determined to be over capacity for the purposes of out-of-district transfers.

#### **Support Facilities**

In addition to schools, the District owns and operates additional facilities that provide operational support functions to the schools. An inventory of these facilities is provided below:

Table 3.3 – Support Facility Inventory											
Facility	Address	Building Area (Square Feet)	Site Size (Acres)								
Administration	9401 Sharon Dr., Everett	26,608	9.15								
Grounds/Maintenance	525 W. Casino Rd., Everett	22,800	4.0								
Support Services Center	8925 Airport Rd., Everett	37,677	10.0								

Table 3.4 – Other Facility Inventory									
Facility	Address	Building Area (Square Feet)	Site Size (Acres)						
Sno-Isle Skills Center	9001 Airport Rd., Everett	74,024	15.0						

# **Land Inventory**

The District owns one undeveloped site:

• A one-acre site in Mukilteo Heights which is restricted for development by covenants and site size.

The District does not own any sites that are developed for uses other than schools and/or which are leased to other parties.

#### **SECTION 4 - STUDENT ENROLLMENT PROJECTIONS**

#### **Projected Student Enrollment 2024-2029**

Enrollment projections are generally most accurate for the initial years of the forecast period. Beyond the 5-year range, projected assumptions about economic or demographic trends may prove false, resulting in an enrollment trend that is quite different from the projection. For this reason, it is important to monitor birth rates, new housing construction, and population growth on an annual basis as part of facilities management.

The District has contracted with a consultant to develop a methodology for enrollment projections. Dr. Les Kendrick has more than thirty years of history working with local school districts in projecting enrollment and demographics, including many years as the demographer for the Seattle Public Schools and twenty-two years as an independent consultant providing long-range projections for a number of school districts including; Bellevue, Bethel, Bremerton, Edmonds, Everett, Federal Way, Highline, Monroe, Northshore, Olympia, Puyallup, Seattle, Tacoma, Tukwila, South Kitsap, and Mukilteo. The methodology employed by the consultant is a variation of the cohort survival method. Cohort survival compares enrollment at a particular grade in a specific year, to the enrollment at the previous grade from the prior year. For example, enrollment at the second grade is compared to the previous year's first grade enrollment. The ratio of these two numbers (second grade enrollment divided by first grade enrollment) creates a "cohort survival ratio" providing a summary measure of the in-and-out migration that has occurred over the course of a year. This ratio can be calculated for each grade level. Once these ratios have been established over a period of years they can be averaged and/or weighted to predict the enrollment at each grade.

Cohort survival works well for every grade except kindergarten where there is no prior year's enrollment to use for comparison. At the kindergarten level, enrollment is compared to the county births from five years prior to estimate a "birth-to-k" ratio. This ratio, averaged over several years, provides a method for predicting what proportion of the birth cohort will enroll at the kindergarten level. The District's percentage of this cohort has varied over the past seven years from a high of 12.6% to a low of 12.1%. Future forecasts assume that the District will enroll over 12% of the County births.

Cohort survival is a purely mathematical method, which assumes that future enrollment patterns will be similar to past enrollment patterns. It makes no assumptions about what is causing enrollment gains or losses and can be easily applied to any enrollment history. Despite this, cohort survival can produce large forecast errors because it does not consider possible changes in demographic trends. New housing, especially, can produce enrollment gains that might not otherwise be predicted from past trends. Alternatively, a district may lose market share to private or other public schools. It is also possible that a slowdown in population and housing growth will dampen enrollment gains. Changes in the housing market between 2007 and 2011 and the accompanying recession, for example, caused many districts to see a decline in their enrollment during that period. Likewise, the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020 and related impacts have caused small enrollment declines but projections for both enrollment growth and new housing development show increases in near and long-term future. OSPI uses straight cohort survival which results in the projections contained in Appendix C. Because of the above listed gaps in that methodology, the District relies on our consultant's projections to gain a more comprehensive and accurate estimate.

For the Mukilteo School District forecast, the demographer combines the cohort survival method with information about market share gains and losses from private schools, information about population growth from new housing construction, and information about regional trends. The population/housing growth factor reflects projected changes in the housing market and/or in the assumptions about overall population growth within the District's boundary area. The enrollment derived from the cohort

model is adjusted upward or downward to account for expected shifts in the market for new homes, to account for changes in the growth of regional school age populations, and to account for projected changes in the District population.

Table 4.1 forecasts enrollment by combining cohort survival methodology with information about new housing development and the "birth-to-k" ratio methodology mentioned above. This model results in District enrollment reaching 15,077 by 2029. Because of the known information regarding new development and associated growth, as well as the length of time it takes to initiate new school construction projects to address growth, this plan uses the projections in Table 4.1 to determine facility needs during the six-year time frame of the Capital Facilities Plan.

**Table 4.1 – Modified Cohort Enrollment Projections Head Count** (including housing permit data and birth rate data)

	Actual		Projections								
Grade	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029				
K	1,003	1,011	975	1,043	1,051	1,056	1,058				
1	1,146	1,083	1,094	1,054	1,128	1,134	1,145				
2	1,203	1,171	1,109	1,119	1,078	1,151	1,163				
3	1,095	1,223	1,193	1,129	1,139	1,095	1,175				
4	1,188	1,105	1,236	1,205	1,140	1,148	1,109				
5	1,143	1,211	1,129	1,262	1,229	1,161	1,175				
6	1,106	1,145	1,215	1,131	1,265	1,230	1,167				
7	1,112	1,117	1,159	1,229	1,144	1,277	1,247				
8	1,120	1,124	1,132	1,172	1,243	1,155	1,295				
9	1,179	1,118	1,124	1,131	1,171	1,240	1,158				
10	1,195	1,173	1,114	1,119	1,126	1,164	1,238				
11	1,157	1,128	1,109	1,052	1,057	1,061	1,103				
12	999	1,116	1,108	1,088	1,033	1,035	1,044				
Total K-5	6,778	6,804	6,736	6,812	6,765	6,745	6,825				
Total 6-8	3,338	3,386	3,506	3,532	3,652	3,662	3,709				
Total 9-12	4,530	4,535	4,455	4,390	4,387	4,500	4,543				
District Total	14,646	14,725	14,697	14,734	14,804	14,907	15,077				

#### **Snohomish County/OFM Projections**

Another projection, based on Office of Financial Management (OFM) population projections for Snohomish County, was also produced. Using the OFM/County data and the District's corresponding actual enrollment, the District's enrollment averaged 1.7% of the OFM/County Population estimates. Further, District enrollment averaged 13% of the OFM/County population residing within Mukilteo School District boundaries. Assuming that these average percentages remain constant, the District's enrollment would grow as shown in Table 4.2.

Table 4.2 - Projected Enrollment - 2044 OFM Estimates\*

Grade Level	Actual	% MSD F	Population	
	2023	2029	2044	
Elementary	6,778	7,455	9,196	
Middle School	3,338	3,671	4,529	
High School	4,530	4,982	6,146	
Total	14,646	16,108	19,871	

% County	Population
2029	2044
7,439	8,958
3,663	4,411
4,971	5,987
16,073	19,356

<sup>\*</sup>Assumes that percentage per grade span will remain constant through 2044.

Note: Snohomish County Planning and Development Services provided the underlying data for the 2044 projections.

For the purposes of this Capital Facilities Plan, the District relies on the Modified Cohort Survival Projections as this projection provides a more detailed grade-specific projection which, when

combined with district-specific new housing development trends, allows for better planning across the six-year period.

#### **SECTION 5 - CAPITAL FACILITIES NEEDS**

Projected available student capacity is derived by subtracting projected student enrollment from existing student capacity (excluding relocatable classrooms) for each of the six years in the forecast period (2024-2029). A six-year projection of un-housed students and facilities needs is shown in Table 5.1. On February 11, 2020, voters approved a six-year, \$240 million capital bond. Remaining, planned new capacity improvements included in that bond are represented below, through the 2025-26 school year. A potential future capital bond beyond 2026 may include classroom capacity projects as well. Future CFP updates will reflect projects that may get approved in the potential 2026 bond and will include updates to school capacities and impact fees resulting from those projects when they are known.

The District considers relocatable (portable) classrooms to be temporary/interim space and bases its new capital facilities needs from permanent capacity. (Information on relocatable classrooms and interim capacity can be found in Table 3.2.) However, relocatable classrooms are a part of the District's interim capacity solution to ensure our ability to serve enrollment growth from new development in between construction and capital bond timelines. Table 5.1 does not include relocatable classrooms that may be added or adjusted during the six-year planning period.

TABLE 5.1 - School Enrollment & Classroom Capacity Needs

	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
Elementary Enrollment	6,778	6,804	6,736	6,812	6,765	6,745	6,825
Permanent Capacity - Existing	6,054	6,054	6,054	6,254	6,254	6,254	6,254
New Permanent Capacity			200				
TOTAL Permanent Capacity	6,054	6,054	6,254	6,254	6,254	6,254	6,254
Permanent Capacity over/(short)	(724)	(750)	(482)	(558)	(511)	(491)	(571)
Middle School Enrollment	3,338	3,386	3,506	3,532	3,652	3,662	3,709
Permanent Capacity - Existing	3,603	3,603	3,603	3,603	3,603	3,603	3,603
New Permanent Capacity							
TOTAL Permanent Capacity	3,603	3,603	3,603	3,603	3,603	3,603	3,603
Permanent Capacity over/(short)	265	217	97	71	(49)	(59)	(106)
High School Enrollment	4,530	4,535	4,455	4,390	4,387	4,500	4,543
Permanent Capacity - Existing	3,639	3,639	3,639	3,639	3,639	3,639	3,639
New Permanent Capacity							
TOTAL Permanent Capacity	3,639	3,639	3,639	3,639	3,639	3,639	3,639
Permanent Capacity over/(short)	(891)	(896)	(816)	(751)	(748)	(861)	(904)
TOTAL ENROLLMENT	14,646	14,725	14,697	14,734	14,804	14,907	15,077
Total Permanent	13,296	13,296	13,296	13,496	13,496	13,496	13,496
Total New Permanent			200				
TOTAL Permanent Capacity	13,296	13,296	13,496	13,496	13,496	13,496	13,496
Permanent Capacity over/(short)	(1,350)	(1,429)	(1,201)	(1,238)	(1,308)	(1,411)	(1,581)

Does not include interim/portable capacity

#### **SECTION 6 – SIX-YEAR FINANCING PLAN**

#### **Planned Improvements**

If planned construction projects do not fully address space needs for student growth and a reduction in interim student housing, or that voter approved funding could not be secured, the Board could consider various courses of action, including, but not limited to:

- Alternative scheduling options
- Changes in the instructional model
- Grade configuration change
- Purchasing portable classrooms
- Busing students from schools over capacity to those with capacity
- Increased class sizes; or
- A modified school-year calendar

The six-year financing plan includes any projects adding elementary, middle, and high school classroom capacity. In addition, the District may continue to add and use portable classrooms as part of the capacity solution. It is anticipated that additional interim capacity via portable classrooms may be needed until additional permanent capacity beyond what was included in the voter approved February 2020 capital bond measure can be determined.

Funding for planned improvements is typically secured from several sources including voter approved bonds, state school construction assistance matching funds, and impact fees. Each of these funding sources is discussed in greater detail below.

# **Financing for Planned Improvements**

#### General Obligation Bonds

Bonds are typically used to fund construction of new schools and other capital improvement projects. A 60% voter approval is required to approve the issuance of bonds. Bonds are then retired through collection of property taxes.

#### Capital Projects Levy

The District has passed a six-year capital projects levy that runs through 2028. Capital project levy dollars will be dedicated to additional modernization and major system upgrades or modernization of buildings and grounds.

#### State School Construction Assistance Program (SCAP)

State School Construction Assistance Program (SCAP) funds come from the Common School Construction Fund. Bonds are sold on behalf of the fund, and then retired form revenues accruing predominantly from the sale of renewable resources (i.e., timber) from State school lands set aside by the Enabling Act of 1889. If these sources are insufficient to meet needs, the Legislature can appropriate funds or the Superintendent of Public Instruction can prioritize projects for funding.

School districts may qualify for SCAP funds for specific capital projects based on a qualification and criterion system. The District is currently eligible for SCAP funds for capital projects at the secondary school level and for some modernization/new in lieu at the elementary level. State match does not cover all costs of construction and each district has a different matching ratio based on the state's formula. Because SCAP funds are received at the end of a project, it is necessary for school districts

to plan to finance the complete project with local funds. Site acquisition and site improvements are not eligible to receive matching funds.

#### K-3 Class Size Reduction Grants

The 2015 Washington State Legislature provided limited funding for the construction of elementary classrooms to assist in the effort to provide space for mandatory full day kindergarten and to lower class sizes in K-3 grades. The District applied for this grant and a 24 classroom need was determined, but grant funds were not awarded.

#### Land Sales

The District currently has no property for sale.

# Impact Fees

Impact fees are a means of supplementing traditional funding sources for construction of public facilities needed to accommodate new development. School impact fees are generally collected by the permitting agency at the time plats are approved or building permits are issued.

The six-year financing plan shown on Table 6.1 demonstrates how the District intends to fund new construction and improvements to school facilities for the years 2024-2029. The financing components include the voter-approved 2022 capital projects levy, funds from a voter approved capital bond measure in February 2020, impact fees and SCAP ("state match") funds.

**Table 6.1 – Six-Year Financing Plan – estimated** (costs in millions)

PROJECTS			ANTICIPATED YEAR						POTEN	TIAL FUI	NDING S	OURCE
ADDING CAPACITY								Total	Bonds/	SCAP	Impact	Future
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	Cost	Levy	(State)	Fees	Source
Mariner H.S. Addition & Renovation	7.5	16.9	0.1					24.5	Х	Х		
Explorer Replacement Ph 1	1.0	14.2	14.7	0.1				30.0	Х	Х		
Serene Lake Replacement Ph 1	1.5	10.5	9.5	0.5				22.0	Х	Х	Χ	
Mukilteo Elem Replacement Ph 1	1.9	8.5	14.2	8.0				25.4	Χ	X	Χ	
Interim (portable) Capacity	-	0.2	0.2	0.2				0.6	Х		Χ	
TOTAL CAPACITY PROJECTS	11.9	50.3	38.7	1.6				102.5				

PROJECTS			ANTICIPATED YEAR						POTENT	IAL FUND	ING SOUP	RCE
NOT ADDING CAPACITY								Total	Bonds/	SCAP	Impact	Future
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	Cost	Levy	(State)	Fees	Source
Districtwide Security Improvements	2.3	3.6	3.1	1.0				10.0	Χ			Χ
Districtwide Field Improvements	4.1	0.2	0.5	3.4				8.2	Х			Х
Districtwide Roofing Improvements	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5				2.0	Х			Х
Districtwide Flooring Improvements	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4				1.6	Χ			Х
Districtwide ADA Improvements	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5				2.0	Х			Х
Performing Arts Center Improvements	0.7	8.5	0.2					9.4	Х			
Facility System Improvements	10.8	8.5	9.0	7.5				35.8	Х			Х
TOTAL Non-CAPACITY PROJ.	19.3	22.2	14.2	13.3				69.0				

#### **SECTION 7 - SCHOOL IMPACT FEES**

The Washington State Growth Management Act (GMA) authorizes cities and counties that plan under RCW 36.70A.040 to collect impact fees to supplement funding of additional system improvements (e.g., public facilities including schools) needed to accommodate growth from new development. Impact fees cannot be used for the operation, maintenance, repair, alteration, or replacement of existing capital facilities used to meet existing service demands.

#### **School Impact Fees**

The Snohomish County General Policy Plan sets certain conditions for school districts wishing to assess impact fees:

- The district must provide support data including an explanation of the calculation methodology, a description of key variables and their computation, and definitions and sources of data for all inputs into the fee calculation.
- Such data must be accurate, reliable, and statistically valid.
- Data must reflect projected costs in the six-year financing plan.
- Data in the proposed impact fee schedule must reflect expected student generation rates from at least the following residential unit types:
  - 1. single family
  - 2. multi-family/1-bedroom or less; and
  - 3. multi-family/2-bedroom or more

The Snohomish County impact fee program requires school districts to prepare and adopt Capital Facilities Plans meeting the specifications of the GMA. Impact fees are calculated in accordance with the formula, which are based on projected facility costs necessitated by new growth and are contained in the District's CFP.

#### Methodology and Variables Used to Calculate School Impact Fees

Impact fees have been calculated utilizing the formula in the Snohomish County Impact Fee Ordinance (SCC 30.66C). The resulting figures are based on the District's cost per dwelling unit to purchase land for school sites, make site improvements, construct schools and purchase/install relocatable facilities (portables) that add capacity needed to serve new development. As required under the GMA, credits have also been applied in the formula to account for SCAP ("state match") funds to be reimbursed to the District and for projected future property taxes to be paid by the dwelling unit.

# Site Acquisition Cost Element

- 1. <u>Site Size</u> Acreage needed to accommodate each planned project.
- 2. Average Land Cost Per Acre based on current estimates of land costs within the District.
- 3. <u>Facility Design Capacity</u> number of students each planned project is designed to accommodate.
- 4. <u>Student Factor</u> Number of students generated by each housing type in this case, single family dwellings (including townhomes/duplexes) and multi-family dwellings. A student generation rate study was conducted to determine the updated generation rate for this CFP. New home development data was collected from 2017-2022 and compared against Fall 2023 student enrollment to determine the number of students generated by the different types of new home development. Specifically, there were 1,294 new single family and townhome or

duplex dwelling units during the period 2017-2022 generating 292 K-12 students. There were 326 1-bedroom multi-family dwelling units generating 148 students and 1,244 2+bedroom multi-family dwelling units generating 1,203 students. Currently, the large multi-family developments in Mukilteo School District generate far larger numbers of K-12 students than single family or townhome developments.

Table 7.1 – Student Generation Rates

	Total	K-5	6-8	9-12
Development	Units	Students	Students	Students
Single Family*	1294	218	42	32
Multi-Family 1bd/less	326	94	31	23
Multi-Family 2+bd	1244	755	219	229
Total	2864	1067	292	284

<sup>\*</sup>Includes Townhome/Duplex

Grade Span	Single Family	Multi-Family (1bdrm/less)	Multi-Family (2+bedroom)		
Elementary (K-5)	.168	.288	.607		
Middle School (6-8)	.032	.095	.176		
High School (9-12)	.025	.071	.184		
Total (K-12)	.226	.454	.967		

#### School Construction Cost Variables

- 1. <u>Current Facility Square Footage</u> used in combination with the "Existing Relocatable Square Footage" to apportion the impact fee amounts between permanent and interim capacity figures
- 2. <u>Estimated Facility Construction Cost</u> based on planned costs or on actual costs of recently constructed schools. Facility construction costs also include the off-site development costs. Costs vary with each site and may include such items as sewer line extension, water lines, off-site road and frontage improvements. Off-site development costs are not covered by State Match Funds. Off-site development costs vary and can represent 10% or more of the total building construction cost.

#### Relocatable Facilities Cost Element

Impact fees may be collected to allow acquisition of relocatable classrooms needed to serve growth on an interim basis. The cost allocated to new development must be growth related and must be in proportion to the current permanent and interim space ratios in the District.

- 1. <u>Cost Per Unit</u> The average cost for a relocatable classroom.
- 2. <u>Relocatable Facilities Cost</u> The total number of needed units multiplied by the cost per unit.

#### School Construction Assistance Credit Variables

- 1. <u>Construction Cost Allocation</u> Currently \$375.00 for new construction projects approved in July of 2024.
- 2. <u>State Funding Assistance Percentage</u> Percentage of School Construction Assistance Program funds from the state that the District expects to receive. For new construction and

additions, the District is currently eligible to receive a maximum state match of 50.98% of *eligible* costs (as defined by the state).

# Tax Credit Variables

- 1. <u>Interest Rate</u> (20-year General Obligation Bond) interest rate of return on a 20-year General Obligation Bond derived from the Bond Buyer index. Because of current market volatility, the District is using the February 2024 average interest rate of 3.48%
- 2. Bond Levy Rate The current bond levy rate is \$.877 per \$1,000 in assessed value.
- 3. Average Assessed Value based on estimates made by the County's Planning and Development Services Department utilizing information from the County Assessor's files. The current average assessed value is \$766,679 for single family dwelling units; \$212,571 for one-bedroom multi-family dwelling units; and \$294,163 for two or more bedroom multi-family dwelling units.

## **Proposed Mukilteo School District Impact Fee Schedule**

Using the variables and formula described, impact fees proposed for the District are summarized below. See Appendix B for the impact fee calculation detail. The impact fees below for Mukilteo School District reflect Single Family, Townhomes and Duplexes, Multi-Family 1 bedroom, and Multi-Family 2+bedroom dwelling units.

Table 7.2 - School Impact Fees\*

Housing Type	Impact Fee Per Unit
Single Family	\$0**
Townhomes and Duplexes	\$0**
Multi-Family (1 bedroom or less)	\$1,148
Multi-Family (2+ bedroom or more)	\$2,985

<sup>\*</sup>Table 7.2 reflects a 50% adjustment to the calculated fee as required by local ordinances

Mukilteo School District's 2024 updated school impact fees have dropped considerably from the last CFP update. This is because of several key points:

• The required impact fee formula determines the final outcome of the fee. The primary driver for the reduction in this CFP's fee is that the District is near the end of its six-year capital bond cycle. The District passed a voter-approved \$240 million capital bond in February, 2020. The voter-approved bond package included several projects adding much needed new school capacity to house growth from new development. The District prioritized building those projects early in the bond cycle to bring the new capacity online as soon as possible. That resulted in increased construction costs for those projects factoring into impact fee calculations for the 2020 and 2022 CFP updates.

<sup>\*\*</sup>While the District did see new students generated from both Single Family and Townhomes and Duplexes during the study period, the rate generated and the total number of those development types when computed in the required fee formula, including the above noted required 50% adjustment, resulted in no fee being calculated.

- At the same time, the District was experiencing the impact of several very large multi-family dwelling unit complexes being built and beginning to be occupied. Those developments generated very large numbers of students which began to be reflected in impact fee calculations causing increases in multi-family dwelling unit fees in 2018, 2020, and 2022. While the 2024 student generation rates continue to show large numbers of students from those development types, the reduced construction costs associated with District projects adding capacity (mentioned above) result in a reduction of the calculated impact fee per the required formula.
- In 2024, the Washington State Legislature increased the Construction Cost Allocation (CCA) to \$375 per square foot from \$275 per square foot. This increase results in an increase in the state funding credit portion of the impact fee formula, thereby reducing the final calculated impact fee.
- No anticipated future construction projects adding classroom capacity beyond 2026 are included in the 2024 CFP update as planning for a future bond is still in progress. This also results in lower impact fees as, with the exception of the Serene Lake Elementary School project, there are no planned projects to use in the impact fee formula calculation. As the District completes its bond planning in advance of a potential 2026 capital bond measure to put forward to voters, the District will be better able to determine additional capacity needs from growth because its jurisdictional comprehensive plan updates will also be completed and resulting growth and enrollment can be better projected. It is anticipated that the 2026 CFP will include impact fee calculations that reflect future growth and increased planned construction projects to address it.

# **APPENDIX A - SCHOOL IMPACT FEE CALCULATION**

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School Site	Acquisition Facility	Cost: Cost/Acre	Facility	Student	Stude	Student	Student	Cost/	Cost/	Cost /	Cost /
	Acreage	COSTACIE	Capacity	Factor	nt	Factor	Factor	SFR	T/D	MFR 1	MFR 2+
	, torougo		Capacity	SFR	Factor	MFR (1)	MFR	0	1,75		
					T/D	( )	(2+)				
Elementary	10	\$ -	600	0.168	0.168	0.288	0.607	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Middle	20	\$ -	800	0.032	0.032	0.095	0.176	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
High	40	\$ -	1,600	0.025	0.025	0.071	0.184	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
							TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
0.1.10											
School Cons	struction Co %	st: Facility	Capacity	Student	Stude	Student	Student	Cost/	Cost/	Cost /	Cost/
	Perm/Tot	Cost	Capacity	Factor	nt	Factor	Factor	SFR	T/D	MFR 1	MFR 2+
	al Sq. Ft			SFR	Factor	MFR (1)	MFR				
	·				T/D	, ,	(2+)				
Elementary	91.12%	\$19,748,733	600	0.168	0.168	0.288	0.607	\$5,039	\$5,039	\$8,638	\$18,206
Middle	98.11%	\$ -	800	0.032	0.032	0.095	0.176	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$</b> 0
High	92.62%	\$ -	1600	0.025	0.025	0.071	0.184	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
							TOTAL	\$5,039	\$5,039	\$8,638	\$18,206
Temporary F	acility Cost	:									
	%			Student	Stude	Student	Student	Cost/	Cost/	Cost /	Cost/
	Temp/To	Facility	Facility	Factor	nt	Factor	Factor	SFR	T/D	MFR 1	MFR 2+
	tal Sq.	Cost	Capacity	SFR	Factor	MFR (1)	MFR				
	Ft.				T/D		(2+)				
Elementary	8.88%	\$130,000	25	0.168	0.168	0.288	0.607	\$78	\$78	\$133	\$280
Middle	1.89%	\$130,000	27	0.032	0.032	0.095	0.176	\$3	\$3	\$9	\$16
High	7.38%	\$130,000	30	0.025	0.025	0.071	0.184 <b>TOTAL</b>	\$8 <b>\$88</b>	\$8 <b>\$88</b>	\$23 <b>\$164</b>	\$59 <b>\$355</b>
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State Fundir	ng Assistand	ce:									
	Current	OSPI Sq.	District	Student	Stude	Student	Student	Cost/	Cost/	Cost /	Cost/
	CCA	Footage	Funding	Factor	nt	Factor	Factor	SFR	T/D	MFR 1	MFR 2+
			%	SFR	Factor	MFR (1)	MFR				
Clausautau.	<b>#275.00</b>	00	FO 000/	0.400	SFR	0.000	(2+)	<b>#0.004</b>	<b>#0.004</b>	<b>#40</b> FF	¢40.444
Elementary Middle	\$375.00	90 108	50.98% 50.98%	0.168 0.032	0.168 0.032	0.288 0.095	0.607 0.176	\$2,891 \$0	\$2,891 \$0	\$4955 \$0	\$10,444 \$0
High	\$ \$	130	50.98%	0.032	0.032	0.095	0.176	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0
9	Ψ	100	00.0070	0.020	0.020	0.07 1	TOTAL	\$2,891	\$2,891	\$4955	\$10,444
Tax Paymen	t Credit Cald	culation:									
Ave. Assesse	ed Value	\$766,679	\$766,679	\$212,571	\$294,16	3					
Capital Bond		3.48%	3.48%	3.48%	3.48%						
Years Amorti		10	10	10	10						
Property Tax		\$0.877	\$0.877	\$0.877	\$0.877	-					
rax Payr	nent Credit	\$5,598	\$5,598	\$1,552	\$2,148						
Impact Fee (	Calculation S	Summary:									
Site Acquisiti	on Cost	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0						
Permanent F		\$5,039	\$5,039	\$8,638	\$18,206						
Temporary F		\$88	\$88	\$164	\$355	• `					
State SCAP		(\$2,891)	(\$2,891)	(\$4,955)	(\$10,444	•					
Tax Payment		(\$5,598) <b>(\$3,361)</b>	(\$5,598) <b>(\$3,361)</b>	(\$1,552) <b>\$2,295</b>	(\$2,148) <b>\$5,969</b>	1					
50% Require		(\$1,680)	(\$3,361) (\$1,680)	(\$1,148)	\$2,985		<u>-</u>				
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	Impact Fee	\$0	\$0	\$1,148	\$2,985						

# **APPENDIX B**

# **OSPI ENROLLMENT PROJECTIONS**



MUKILTEO

	ACTUAL ENROLLMENTS ON OCTOBER 1st						AVERAGE %	PROJECTED ENROLLMENTS					
Grade	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	SURVIVAL	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
Kindergarten	1,185	1,184	966	1,124	1,050	1,003		970	937	904	871	838	805
Grade 1	1,187	1,188	1,141	1,043	1,180	1,146	103.74%	1,041	1,006	972	938	904	869
Grade 2	1,159	1,185	1,112	1,148	1,065	1,203	99.61%	1,142	1,037	1,002	968	934	900
Grade 3	1,152	1,163	1,114	1,112	1,152	1,095	99.49%	1,197	1,136	1,032	997	963	929
Grade 4	1,222	1,158	1,126	1,087	1,114	1,188	99.63%	1,091	1,193	1,132	1,028	993	959
Grade 5	1,255	1,224	1,106	1,110	1,118	1,143	99.93%	1,187	1,090	1,192	1,131	1,027	992
K-5 Sub-Total	7,160	7,102	6,565	6,624	6,679	6,778	1.0	6,628	6,399	6,234	5,933	5,659	5,454
Grade 6	1,270	1,228	1,169	1,098	1,115	1,106	98.39%	1,125	1,168	1,072	1,173	1,113	1,010
Grade 7	1,191	1,292	1,188	1,176	1,108	1,112	99.94%	1,105	1,124	1,167	1,071	1,172	1,112
Grade 8	1,186	1,168	1,242	1,182	1,186	1,120	99.12%	1,102	1,095	1,114	1,157	1,062	1,162
6-8 Sub-Total	3,647	3,688	3,599	3,456	3,409	3,338		3,332	3,387	3,353	3,401	3,347	3,284
Grade 9	1,252	1,182	1,144	1,215	1,187	1,179	99.04%	1,109	1,091	1,084	1,103	1,146	1,052
Grade 10	1,163	1,247	1,180	1,108	1,207	1,192	99.20%	1,170	1,100	1,082	1,075	1,094	1,137
Grade 11	1,368	1,403	1,466	1,397	1,431	1,547	122.77%	1,463	1,436	1,350	1,328	1,320	1,343
Grade 12	1,444	1,412	1,491	1,555	1,441	1,443	103.90%	1,607	1,520	1,492	1,403	1,380	1,371
9-12 Sub-Total	5,227	5,244	5,281	5,275	5,266	5,361	-	5,349	5,147	5,008	4,909	4,940	4,903
DISTRICT K-12 TOTAL	16,034	16,034	15,445	15,355	15,354	15,477		15,309	14,933	14,595	14,243	13,946	13,641

Notes: Specific subtotaling on this report will be driven by District Grade spans.

School Facilities and Organization

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# APPENDIX C MUKILTEO SCHOOL DISTRICT MAP

