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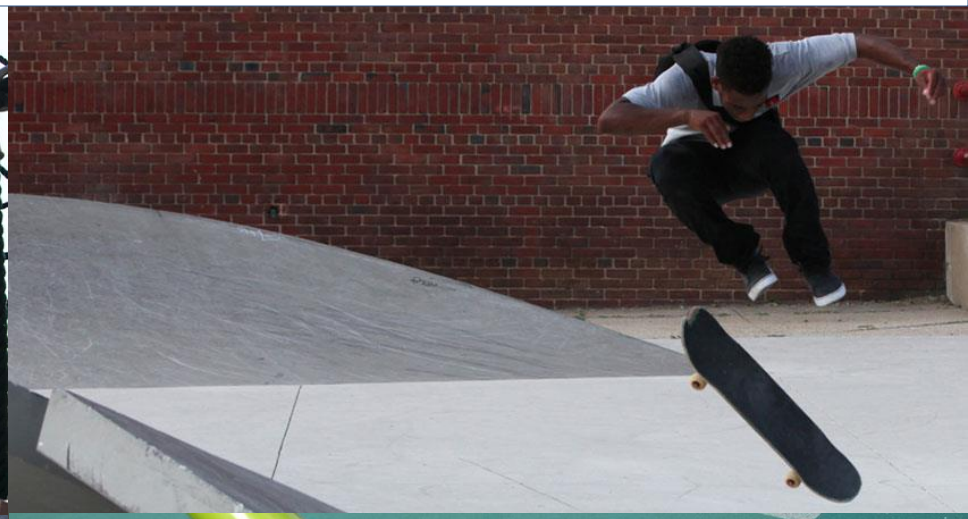
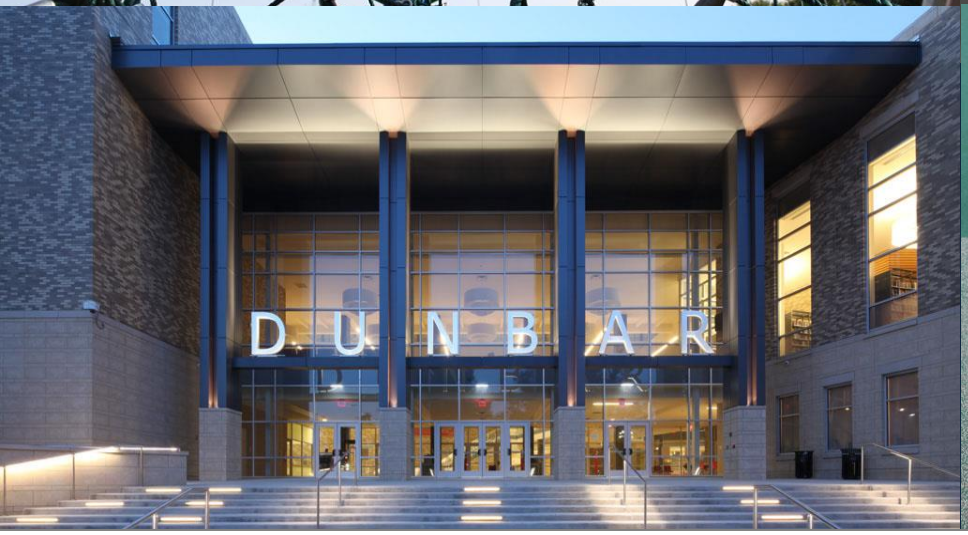
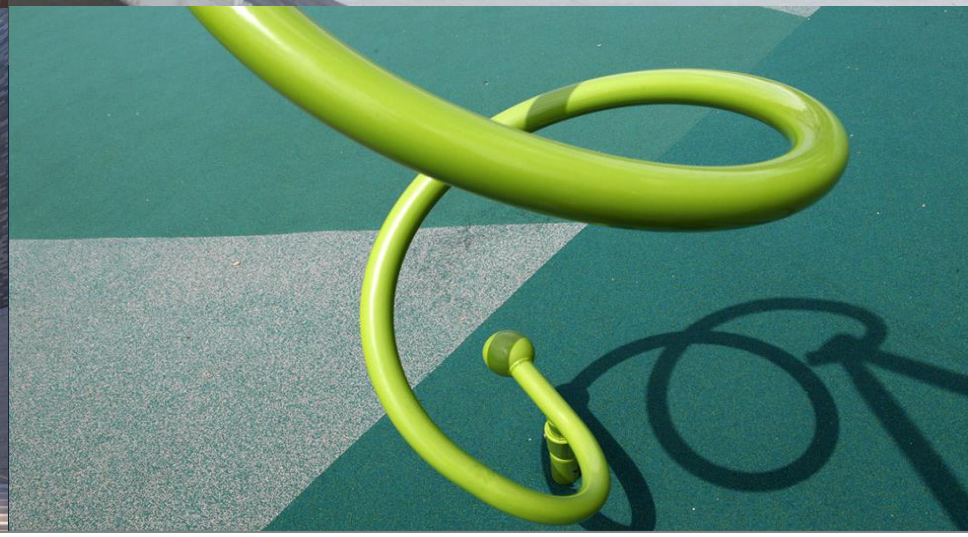






DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
PUBLIC SCHOOLS

WATKINS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL MODERNIZATION PROJECT

Community Meeting

January 29, 2015

MEETING AGENDA

- ❑ Rules of the Road
- ❑ Reprogramming & What That Means For Watkins
- ❑ Concept Design
- ❑ Enrollment
- ❑ Next Steps
- ❑ Q&A

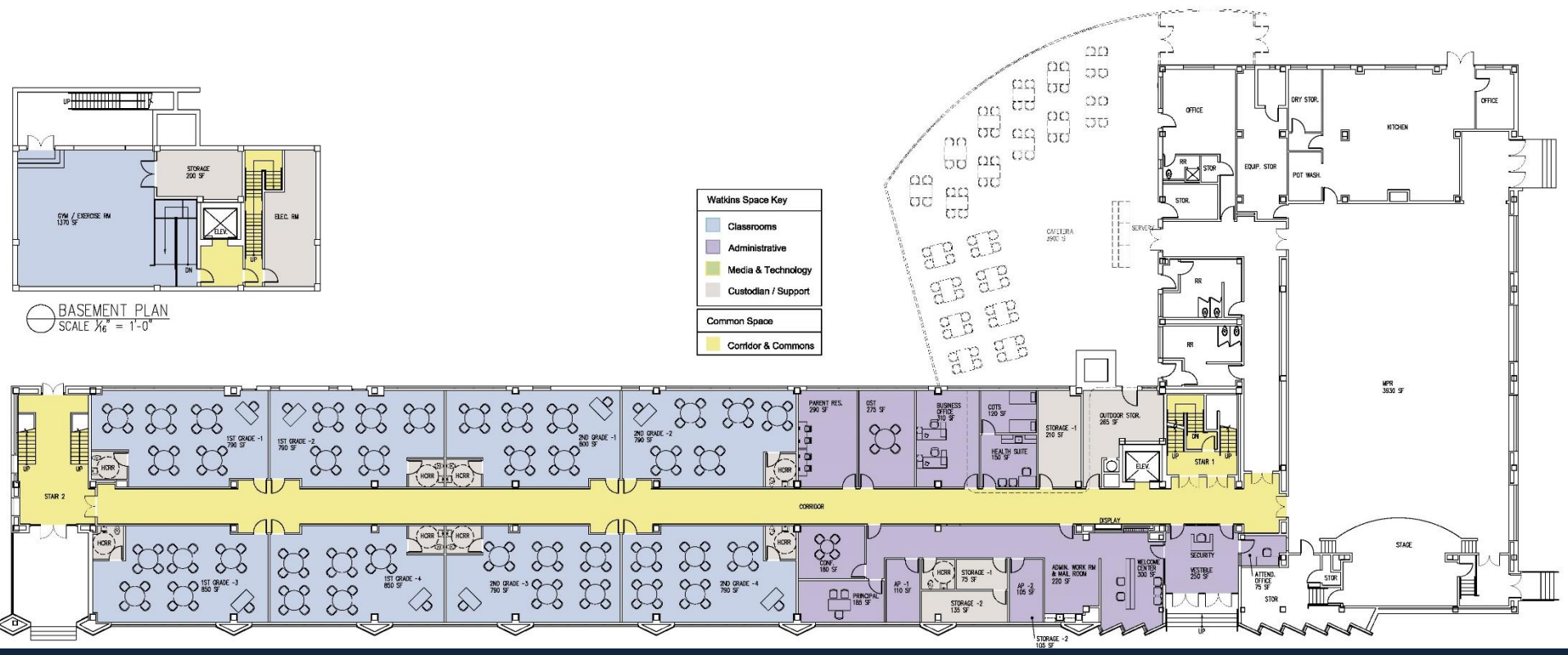
RULES OF THE ROAD

- ❑ Respect Each Other
- ❑ Cellphone On Silent Or On Vibrate
- ❑ Q&A Will Be Taken At The End Of The Presentation

REQUESTED REPROGRAMMING & WHAT DOES THAT MEANS FOR WATKINS

- FY15: $7M
- PHASING – IN PROGRESS OF DETERMINING
- SUMMER 2015: HVAC AND WINDOWS

CONCEPT DESIGN (1ST FLOOR PLAN)



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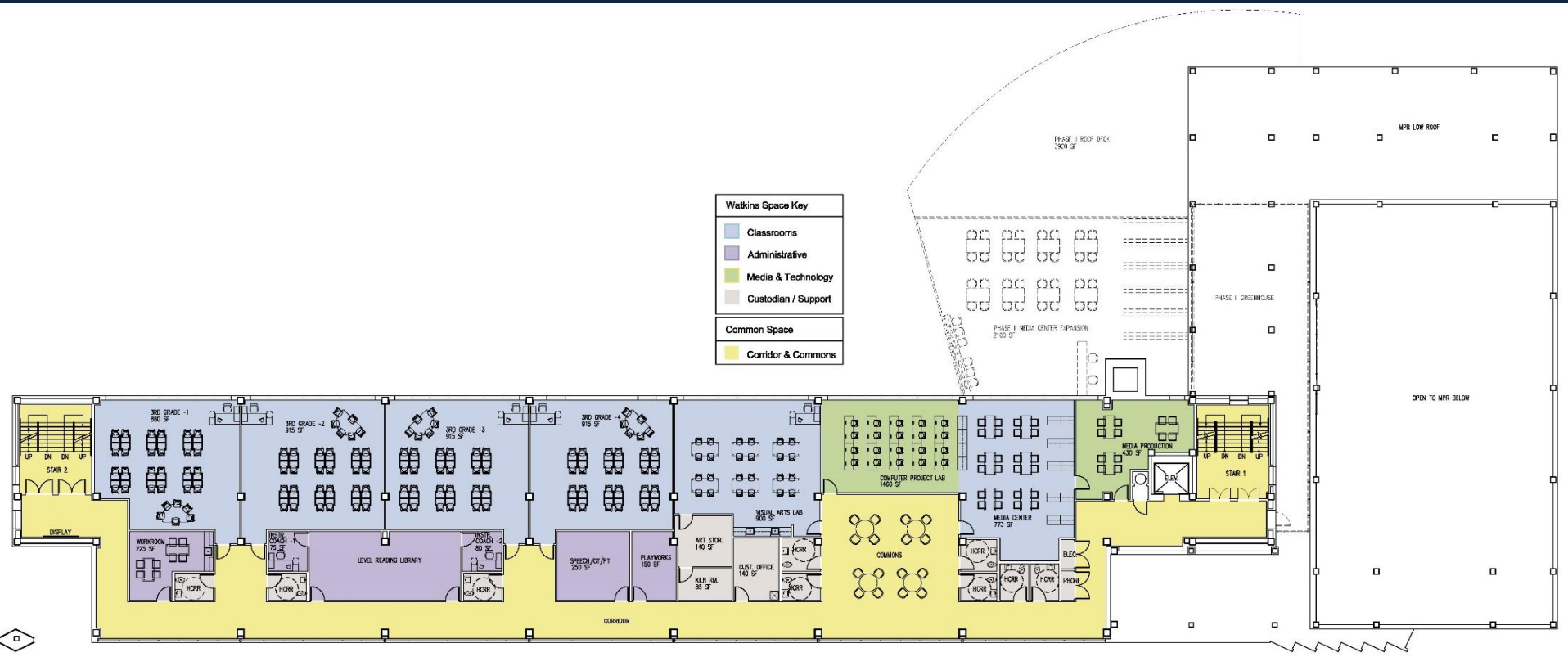

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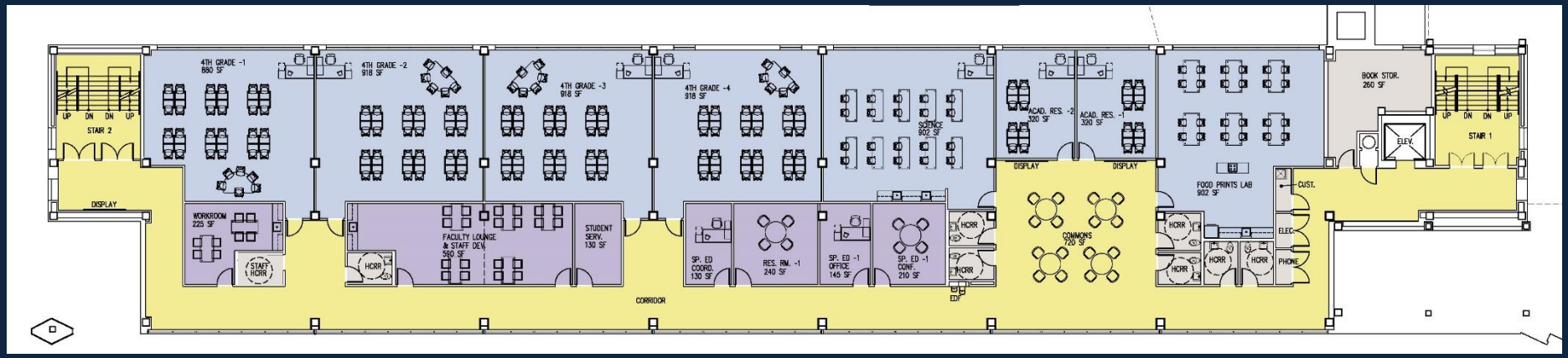

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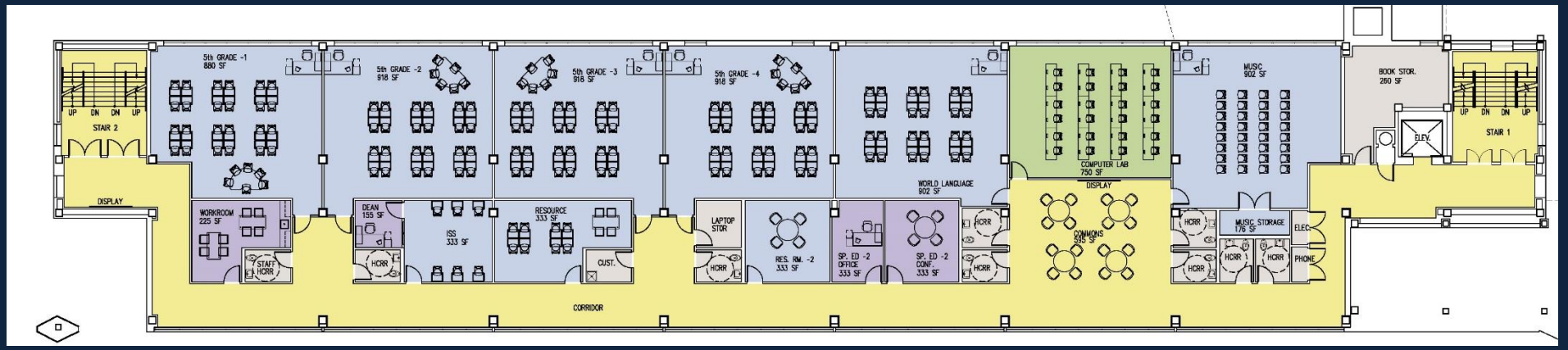
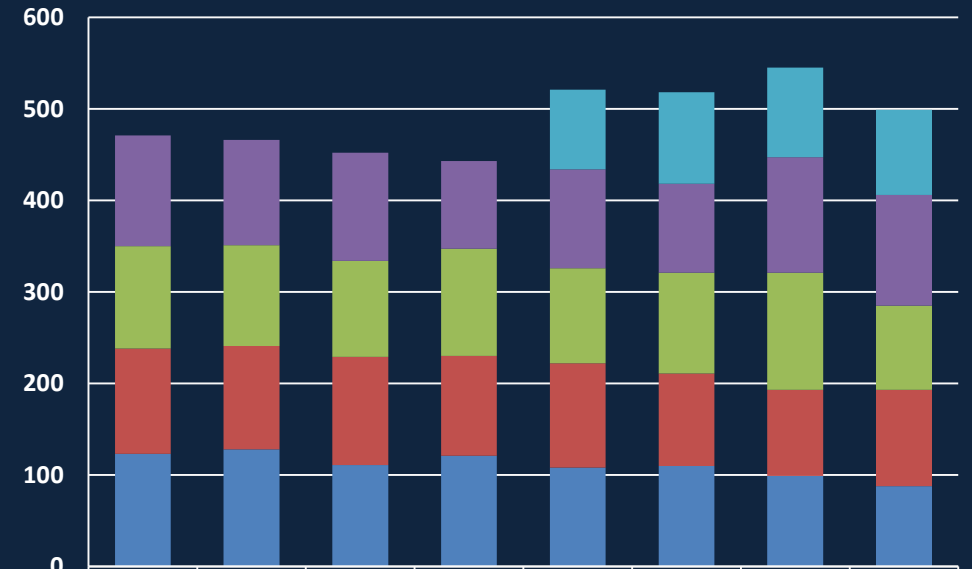


HISTORIC WATKINS ENROLLMENT BY GRADE

- Watkins first year with a full 1st through 5th population was SY11-12.
- Watkins had a peak enrollment of 545 students in SY13-14, but dropped to 500 students in SY14-15.
  - Principal Clemens and others have noted that this was intentional to maintain 4 classes per grade.



	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
5th					87	100	98	93
4th	121	115	118	96	108	97	126	121
3rd	112	110	105	117	104	110	128	92
2nd	115	113	118	109	114	101	94	105
1st	123	128	111	121	108	110	99	88

ENROLLMENT PROJECTIONS

- Enrollment Projections are prepared using a Grade Progression Ratio (GPR), or Cohort Survival methodology. Average GPR's are prepared at each grade transition (e.g. 1st to 2nd grade) to estimate the proportion of students expected to progress from one grade to the next.

	Grade					
Year	**1**	**2**	**3**	**4**	**5**	**Watkins Total**
2009	111	118	105	118		452
2010	121	109	117	96		443
2011	108	114	104	108	87	521
2012	110	101	110	97	100	518
2013	99	94	128	126	98	545
2014	88	105	92	121	94	500
Projected 2015	88	88	105	101	100	482
Projected 2016	88	84	94	106	90	462
Projected 2017	88	84	89	95	95	451
Projected 2018	88	84	89	90	85	436
Projected 2019	88	84	89	90	81	432

Grade Progression Ratio's (GPR)					
		1st to 2nd	**2nd to 3rd**	**3rd to 4th**	**4th to 5th**
2011/2012 GPR		0.94	0.96	0.93	0.93
2012/2013 GPR		0.85	1.27	1.15	1.01
2013/2014 GPR		1.06	0.98	0.95	0.75
Avg GPR		**0.95**	**1.07**	**1.01**	**0.89**

ADDITIONAL NOTES

- There are currently 253 DCPS grade 1-5 students living in the Peabody/Watkins attendance zone.
  - 570 PK3-5 total public school students (SY13-14), which includes students attending Charter Schools.
- There has been an increase in Watkins "in-zone" participation rates in the first grade.
  - Four years ago the in-zone participation rate for 1st graders was 29%, this year it is 41%.
- Watkins not only receives "in zone" students, but also rising Peabody students. The first grade class this year was made up of:
  - 61 former Peabody Students
  - 10 new Watkins zoned students
  - 17 new Out of Zone students.

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PROPOSED PROJECT TIMELINE

- ❑ Spring 2015 – Phasing Plan Developed
- ❑ April 2015 – Design Development Drawings for Summer 2015 work complete
- ❑ June 2015 – Construction Begins
- ❑ August 2015 – Construction Complete

NEXT STEPS

- ❑ Phase I Design Development
- ❑ Determine DPR Programmatic Needs
- ❑ Develop Phase II Concept Design
- ❑ Complete Master Plan

- ❑ DPR Meeting for Programmatic Discussion – Feb. 10th
- ❑ Next Community Meeting – March 26th

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Questions & Answers

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