

AMENDMENT TO 2004 ANNUAL GROWTH REPORT

Background:

In accordance with the Harford County Adequate Public Facilities provisions (Section 267-104) of the Harford County Code, and Bill No. 04-08 As Amended, testing for adequate school capacities shall occur on June 1 and December 1 of each year. Therefore, amendments to the 2004 Annual Growth Report are required and include updated enrollment figures and projections based on September 30, 2005 enrollment figures. Based on the adequacy standards outlined below, the Annual Growth Report is amended to reflect current enrollments and projections as of September 30, 2005.

Adequacy Standards:

The adopted adequacy standards for the Public School system are 105% of the rated capacity within 3 years for both elementary and secondary schools. Included with this amendment to the 2004 Annual Growth Report are Tables 6, 7, and 8, the utilization charts for the elementary, middle, and high schools. These tables identify current enrollment figures as of September 30, 2005, and include projections through the 2010/2011 school year. Preliminary plans for new developments cannot be approved in elementary or secondary school districts where full-time enrollment currently exceeds or is projected to exceed 105 percent of the capacity within three years.

Elementary Schools:

Twenty-six of thirty-two elementary schools in Harford County meet adequacy standards. The schools listed below in Table 1 do not meet the adequacy standards established. Major subdivision plans within these attendance areas will not be approved but will continue to be reviewed and placed on a waiting list until capacity is available beginning January 1, 2006.

Table 1

School	Year	Actual / Projected Students	Utilization Rate
Deerfield	2007/2008	620	106%
Emmorton	2007/2008	637	111%
Forest Lakes	2005/2006	656	109%
Fountain Green	2007/2008	676	113%
Prospect Mill	2005/2006	885	114%
Youth's Benefit	2007/2008	1,063	112%

Secondary Schools:

Eleven of the seventeen middle and high schools in Harford County meet adequacy standards. The schools listed below in Table 2 do not meet the adequacy standards established. Major subdivision plans within this attendance area will not be approved but will continue to be reviewed and placed on a waiting list until capacity is available beginning January 1, 2006.

Table 2

School	Year	Actual / Projected Students	Utilization Rate
Bel Air Middle School	2005/2006	1,434	109%
Fallston Middle School	2005/2006	1,212	109%
Aberdeen High School	2005/2006	1,543	113%
Bel Air High School	2005/2006	1,639	115%
C. Milton Wright High School	2005/2006	1,834	110%
Fallston High School	2005/2006	1,643	107%

The projected enrollment for Southampton Middle School during the 2007/2008 school year is 1,608 for a utilization rate of 105 percent. Patterson Mill Middle/High School is planning to open in September, 2007, and is anticipated to provide relief for Southampton. Therefore, major subdivision plans within this attendance area will be removed from the waiting list for review and preliminary plan approval beginning January 1, 2006.