

AMENDMENT TO 2005 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 2005 Annual Growth Report are required and include updated enrollment figures and projections based on September 30, 2006 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, 2006.

Adequacy Standards:

The adopted adequacy standards for the Public School system are 105 percent of the rated capacity within 3 years for both elementary and secondary schools. Included with this amendment to the 2005 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, 2006, and include projections through the 2009/2010 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-seven 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, 2007.

Table 1

School	Year	Actual / Projected Students	Utilization Rate
Emmorton	2006/2007	653	114%
Forest Lakes	2006/2007	707	118%
Fountain Green	2006/2007	643	107%
Prospect Mill	2006/2007	989	128%
Youth's Benefit	2006/2007	1,046	110%

Secondary Schools:

Fifteen 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 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, 2007.

Table 2

School	Year	Actual / Projected Students	Utilization Rate
Aberdeen High School	2006/2007	1,590	117%
Bel Air High School	2006/2007	1,683	118%

The projected enrollment for Bel Air Middle School during the 2006/2007 school year is 1,402 for a utilization rate of 107 percent. Patterson Mill Middle/High School is planned to open in September, 2007, and is anticipated to provide relief for Bel Air Middle School. Therefore, major subdivision plans within this attendance area will be removed from the waiting list for review and preliminary plan approval beginning January 1, 2007.