



SECONDARY SCHOOL FACILITY PLANNING & FEASIBILITY STUDY

Regional Public Input Session
May 10, 2016
Dunwoody High School

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Contractor:	Education Planners, LLC, in partnership with: Gardner Spencer Smith Tench & Jarbeau architects
Purview:	All DCSD <u>middle schools</u> and <u>high schools</u>
Purpose:	To develop long-term plans for addressing capacity needs of the district's middle schools and high schools using all available tools including E-SPLOST funds, and ensure adequate and productive learning environments for students and instructional environments for teachers.
Results:	Final recommendations produced through this study will be included in upcoming or future E-SPLOST capital improvement programs.
Timeline:	March 2016 - August 2016
Web Site:	http://www.dekalb.k12.ga.us/www/secondaryschoolfacilitystudy/



STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT



ROUND 1

Creation of Five Regional Steering Committees (Admin/Parent from each school)

Five Region Steering Committee Meetings (March 24-March 31)

Two Public Meetings (April 12 @ Tucker HS & April 14 @ SW DeKalb HS)

Online Stakeholder Survey 1 (April 12-April 21)

ROUND 2

Five Region Steering Committee Meetings (April 26-May 3)

We are here: ➡ Two Public Meetings (May 10 @ Dunwoody HS & May 12 @ McNair HS)

Online Stakeholder Survey 2 (May 10–June 1)

ROUND 3

Five Region Steering Committee Meetings (June 20-June 27)

Final Public Meeting (July 14 @ AIC)



INPUT AND ANALYSIS

Comprehensive Facility Data

(FCA, FEAA, Enrollment/Capacity, Feeders, Choice, Age of Facilities, Acreage, etc.)



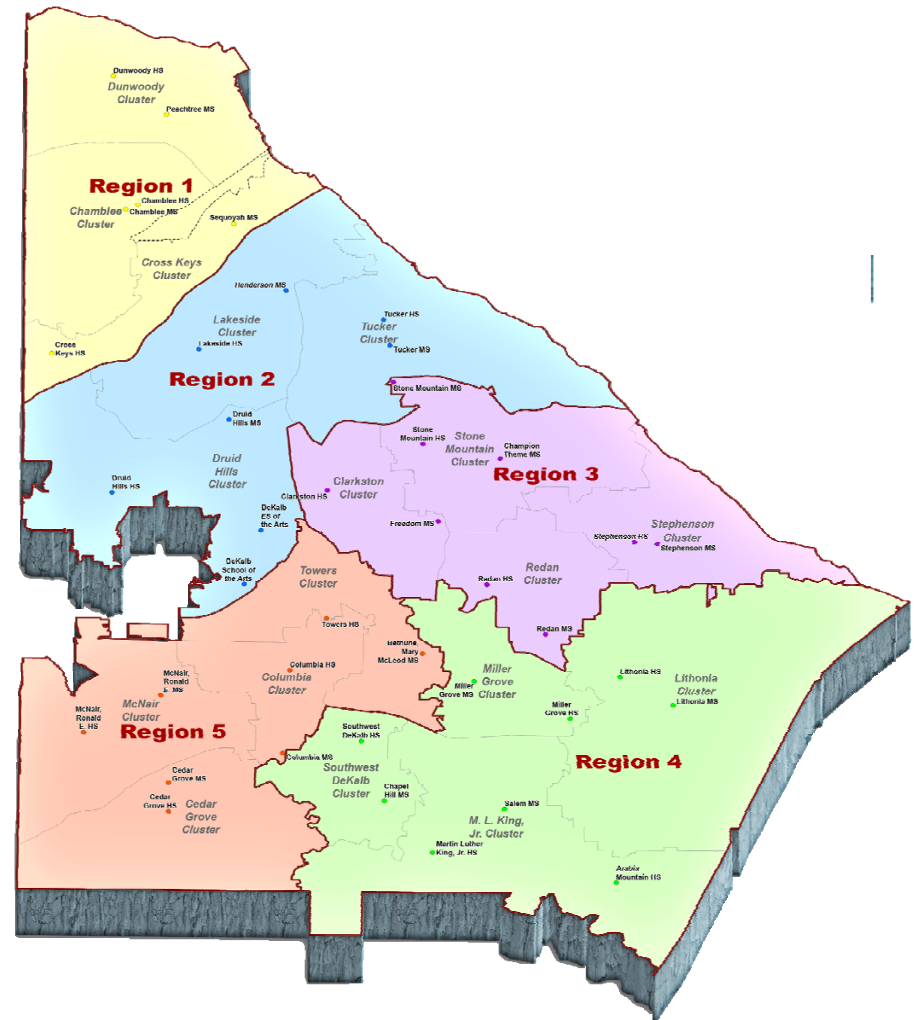
Regional Steering Committees



Public meetings



Online surveys



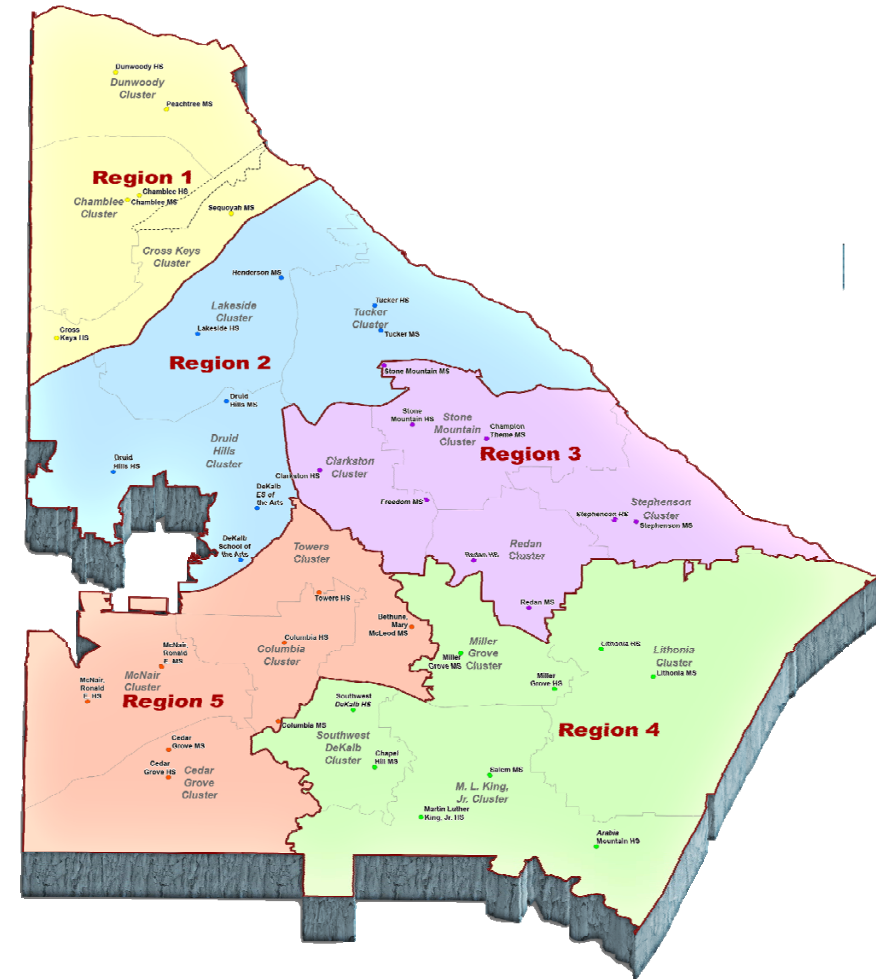
HOUSING OF STUDENTS – KEY ISSUE

Schools **Over Capacity** in Year 2022

Region	High Schools				Middle Schools			
	School	Enrollment	Capacity	Difference	School	Enrollment	Capacity	Difference
1	Chamblee Charter HS	2267	1810	-457	Chamblee MS	1233	1114	-119
	Cross Keys HS	2349	1306	-1043	Sequoyah MS	2041	1305	-736
	Dunwoody HS	2098	1506	-592	Peachtree MS	1689	1322	-367
2	Druid Hills HS	1466	1426	-40	Henderson MS	1758	1600	-158
	Lakeside HS	2619	1757	-862				
	Tucker HS	1859	1747	-112				
3	Clarkston HS	2060	1271	-789	Freedom MS	1730	1446	-284

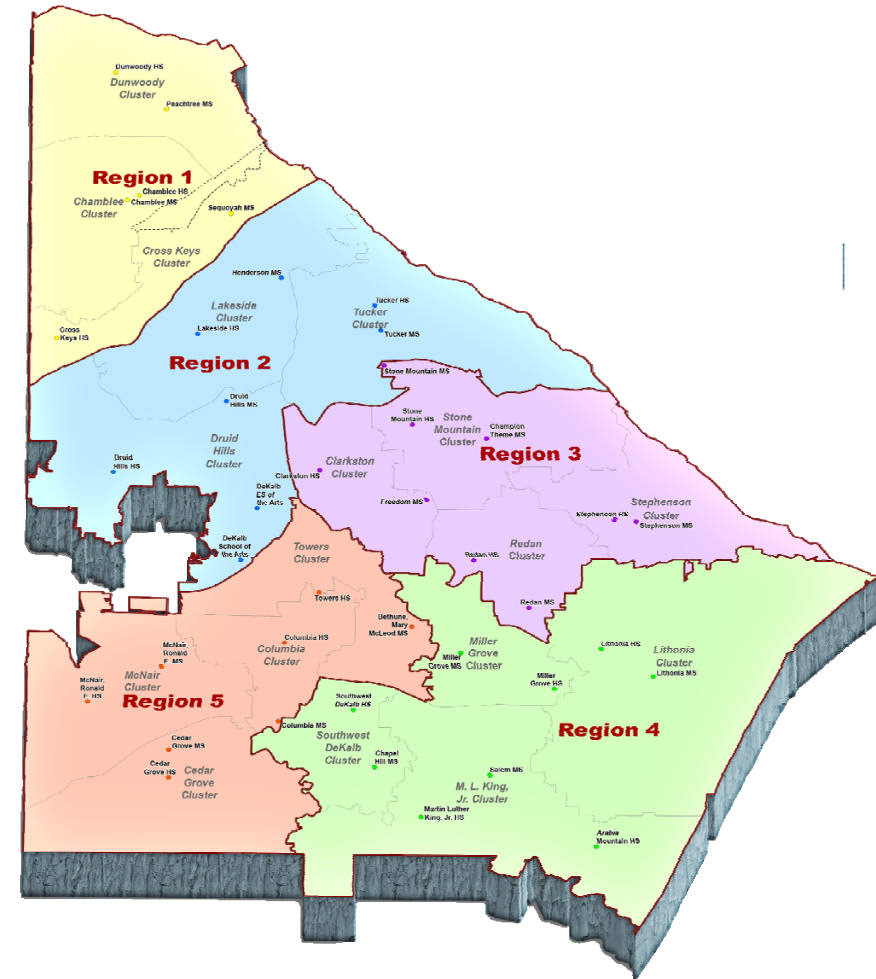
OTHER FACILITY CONCERNS IDENTIFIED THROUGH STAKEHOLDER FEEDBACK

- HVAC
- Athletic facilities
- Safety & Security (personnel, cameras, access control, fencing, doors, etc.)
- Parking
- Technology (computers, labs, etc.)
- Curricular programs (STEM, IB, Arts, Culinary, Dual-language, etc.)



STAKEHOLDER FEEDBACK PRIORITIES

- **Build** new schools and adjust attendance areas accordingly
- **Add on** to existing schools
- Adjust **attendance areas** elsewhere to address overcrowding and transportation issues
- Adjust/shift **curricular programs** to where capacity exists



POTENTIAL NEAR-TERM FUNDING

E-SPLOST Public Referendum May 24, 2016

To address



Enrollment/Capacity/Replacement:

Projects (Referendum Focus Areas)	\$ millions
1. Safety and Security Improvements	\$15
2. New Facilities and Additions	\$170 + \$60
3. Facility Condition Improvements	\$100
4. Technology Improvements	\$65
5. Buses, Vehicles, and other Capital Equipment	\$40
* Management Support & Contingency	\$50
Totals	\$500

All Schools: ES, MS, HS

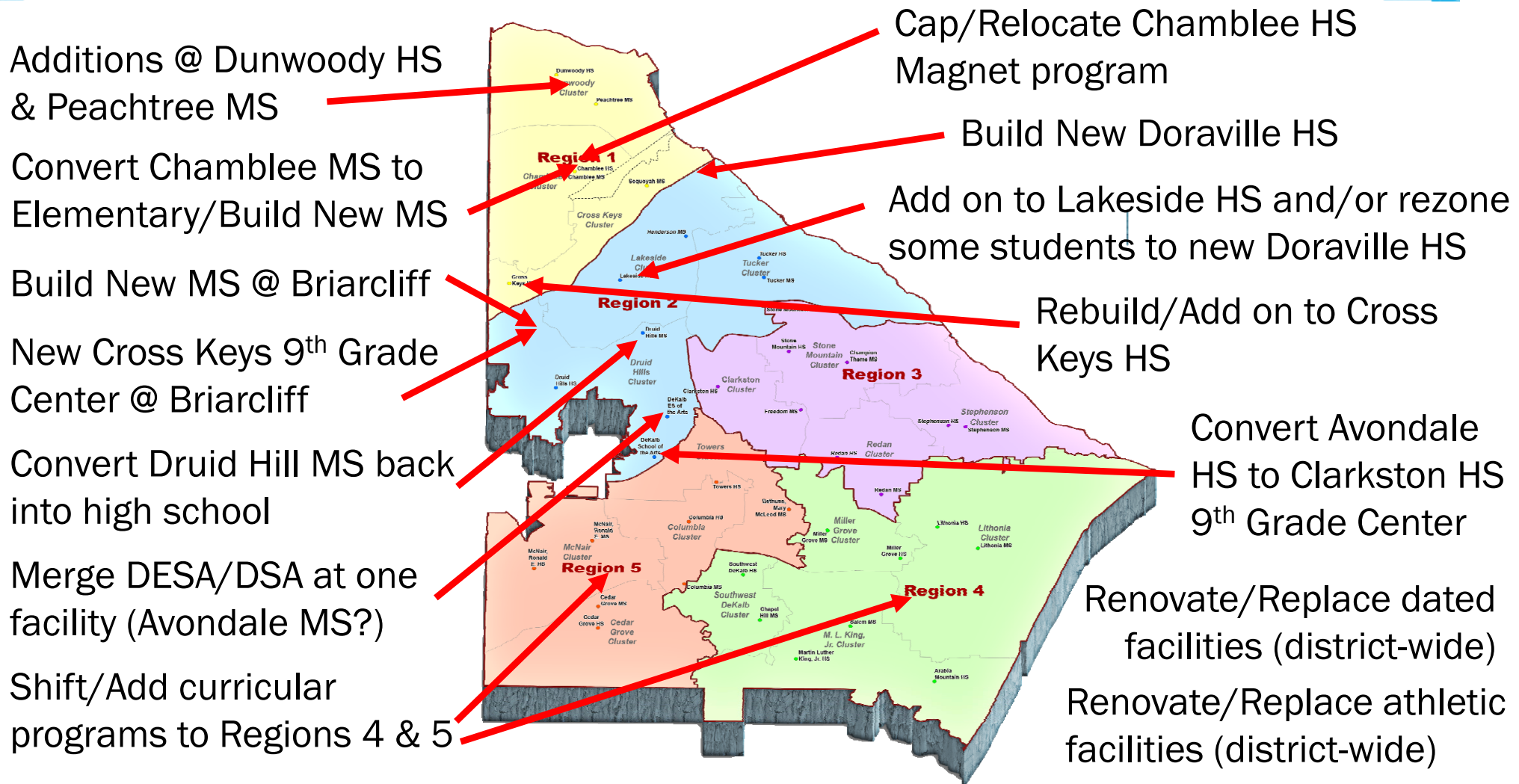
**Approximately \$60 million recently committed to two new elementary schools in support of relieving overcrowding in the Cross Keys Cluster*

STAKEHOLDER FEEDBACK

Input From Stakeholder Meetings (March 24-May 3) & Online Survey (April 12-April 21):

- **Build** middle and high school in Region 1 – “Doraville cluster”
- **Add** capacity to Dunwoody HS and Peachtree MS
- **Rezone** Clarkston HS to relieve overcrowding, or create 9th Grade Center, and improve transportation for those closer to Redan HS
- **Utilize** former Briarcliff site. High School? 9th Grade Center? Middle School? Magnet program?
- **Relocate** magnet/curricular programs from Regions 1 & 2 to 4 & 5
- Use Druid Hills MS and Avondale MS/HS as **cluster** to relieve Lakeside/Clarkston
- **Merge** DSA & DESA into one facility, and/or relocate to Region 4 or 5
- Create **STEM** middle & high for Stone Mountain area?
- **Standardize** grade levels for choice programs to provide clear K-12 path.

EMERGING FACILITY CONSIDERATIONS FROM STAKEHOLDER FEEDBACK



STAKEHOLDER PARTICIPATION



Feedback activity in small groups



REGIONS 1 & 2 HS CONSIDERATIONS FROM STAKEHOLDER FEEDBACK

Build new high school to provide sufficient seats to house students in Regions 1 & 2?	Yes	Where?	Doraville?
			Elsewhere?
		To relieve which schools?	Cross Keys HS?
			Dunwoody HS?
			Lakeside HS?
		Classroom additions needed where?	Dunwoody HS?
			Chamblee HS?
	No	Provide alternative ideas to relieve Cross Keys HS, Dunwoody HS, & Lakeside HS	9 th Grade Center at former Briarcliff site?
			Alternative Considerations?
			Classroom additions needed where?



REGIONS 1 & 2 MS CONSIDERATIONS FROM STAKEHOLDER FEEDBACK

Build new middle school(s) to provide sufficient seats to house students in Regions 1 & 2?

Yes
(How many?)

Where?

Former Briarcliff site?

Elsewhere?

To relieve which school(s)?

Sequoyah MS?

Peachtree MS?

Chamblee MS?

Other?

Classroom additions needed where?

Peachtree MS?

Sequoyah MS?

Elsewhere?

No

Provide alternative ideas to relieve Region 1 & 2 middle schools

Replace/Relocate Chamblee MS?

Alternative Considerations?

Classroom additions needed where?

REGIONS 2 & 3 MS & HS CONSIDERATIONS FROM STAKEHOLDER FEEDBACK

What are best options to relieve overcrowding & make efficient use of Region 2 facilities as well as Clarkston HS in Region 3?

Build classroom addition at Lakeside HS?	Other adjustments needed?
Rezone Lakeside HS?	Move students where?
Build classroom addition at Druid Hills HS?	
Convert Druid Hills MS back into high school?	Relocate DHMS to former Avondale HS?
	Merge DESA/DSA? Where?
Convert Avondale HS into Clarkston HS 9 th Grade Center?	Merge DESA/DSA? Where?
Rezone Clarkston HS?	Balance students with Redan HS and Stone Mountain HS?
Alternative Considerations?	

REGIONS 3, 4, & 5 CONSIDERATIONS FROM STAKEHOLDER FEEDBACK

What are best options to address under-capacity schools in Regions 3, 4, & 5?	Shift/Add curricular programs to existing schools in Regions 3, 4, and/or 5?	Which programs?
		To which schools?
	Shift/Add curricular programs to standalone schools by consolidating/closing schools?	Which schools?
		Which programs?
	Alternative Considerations?	

SMALL GROUP ACTIVITY



1. Break into small groups
2. Refer to maps at each station
3. Brainstorm ideas to answer the questions on the preceding slides – Two sets of questions on charts at each station (20-30 minutes per station)
4. Write answers on flip charts – consider limited potential funding from upcoming E-SPLOST, which projects may be short-term, which long-term
5. Move to next station



SMALL GROUP ACTIVITY



6. Wrap up

7. Next steps

Note: If you wish to submit additional thoughts and/or suggestions you may do so by participating in the online survey at the link below. Survey will remain open through June 1, 2016.

Online Survey Part II:

<http://goo.gl/forms/oYNdEDXiHM>



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