

ges effective for SY12-13)

Recommendation	Explanation
Close Drew and relocate students to Locke	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drew is a K-8 elementary school serving 236 students. The enrollment at Drew has steadily declined over the past 10 years. Drew is an Empowerment school.</li> <li>• Locke is a K-8 elementary school serving 432 students. Locke is an Empowerment school.</li> <li>• Locke began adding middle grades in 2008 to become a K-8 elementary school. A capital investment was completed to renovate the library and add 3 "smart" classrooms.</li> <li>• New student population at Locke would be approx. 650-700 students.</li> <li>• The majority of students will attend Locke. 76 students who currently attend Drew are from outside the boundary and should be attending Locke. The remaining students who attend from outside the boundary can be offered space at their neighborhood school.</li> <li>• The feeder high school remains University City High School.</li> <li>• A boundary change will also be required.</li> </ul>
Change grade configuration of Patterson to K-5 elementary school.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Patterson is a K-4 elementary school serving 674 students. Enrollment in each grade averages 130 students.</li> <li>• All schools surrounding Patterson are K-5 elementary schools.</li> <li>• Implementing this recommendation would standardize grade configuration for all the elementary schools in Southwest AND allow for all students to transition at the same time for middle school.</li> <li>• Current K-4 population at Patterson (approximately 140 students) would need to be reassigned to Catherine- and possibly Morton Elementary School- in order to make room for the addition of grade 5.</li> <li>• The boundaries for Catherine and Patterson would also need to be redrawn.</li> <li>• Students from Patterson attend Pepper Middle School at grade 5.</li> </ul>

22	SW	<p>Close Pepper Middle School. Reassign all feeder schools to Tilden Middle School</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In the Southwest Planning Area there are 3 middle schools with 3 different grade configurations. All of the middle schools are operating below optimal capacity.</li> <li>• Pepper is a middle school with grades 5-8 serving 561 students. It is an Empowerment School.</li> <li>• Pepper has two elementary feeder schools: Catherine and Patterson. The students from Patterson enter the school at grade 5 and students from Catherine enter at grade 6. Pepper lost Penrose Elementary School as a feeder school when the school added middle grades to become a K-8 school.</li> <li>• Tilden is a middle school with grades 6-8 serving 400 students.</li> <li>• Tilden has two elementary feeder schools: Mitchell and Morton.</li> <li>• Implementation of this option would consolidate all elementary schools into one middle school at Tilden.</li> <li>• If implemented, new student population total at Tilden would be 900 students. New elementary feeder schools for Tilden will be Mitchell, Morton, Catherine, and Patterson*. <i>*Option would be improved if Patterson can become a K-5 schools so that all students transition into Tilden together.</i></li> <li>• Tilden would require a major renovation prior to implementation of recommendation.</li> <li>• <b>There would need to be additional safety personnel assigned if recommendation is implemented. Tilden is located next to Bartram High School. Result would be approx. 1800 students on Tilden-Bartram campus.</b></li> <li>• The neighborhood high school remains Bartram.</li> <li>• Pepper becomes surplus property</li> </ul>
23	SW	<p>Phase out and close Shaw Middle School Change grade configuration of Comegys and Harrington to K-8 elementary schools. Reassign 6<sup>th</sup> grade Wilson students to Lea for grade 7</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In the Southwest Planning Area there are 3 middle schools with 3 different grade configurations. All of the middle schools are operating below optimal capacity.</li> <li>• Shaw is a middle school with grades 7-8 serving 244 students. It is an Empowerment School.</li> <li>• Shaw has three elementary feeder schools: Comegys, Harrington, and A. Wilson. All the elementary schools are K-6. Comegys and A. Wilson are Empowerment schools.</li> </ul>

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Option would phase out and close Shaw by converting Comegys, Harrington to K-8 elementary schools and reassigning A. Wilson** to Lea for grade 7. Students would remain in the building rather than transition to Shaw for middle school.</li> <li>• New K-8 student population at Comegys would be approximately 650 students.</li> <li>• New K-8 student population at Harrington would be approximately 600-650 students.</li> <li>• Wilson could also remain a K-6 school and Wilson students can transition to Lea Elementary School for grade 7. Lea is a K-8 school and listed as Empowerment. Alternate option is to convert A. Wilson to a K-8 school. New K-8 student population at A. Wilson would be approximately 300 students.**</li> <li>• The neighborhood high school remains West Philadelphia High School (Promise Academy)</li> <li>• Shaw becomes surplus property</li> <li>• <i>**Note: see option below to close A. Wilson Elementary School. Converting school to a K-8 is not ideal because resulting enrollment would be below 300 students and not improve utilization.</i></li> </ul>
24	SW	Close Wilson Reassign students to Lea Consider boundary change	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A. Wilson is a K-6 elementary school serving 226 students. The enrollment at Wilson has steadily declined over the past 10 years. Wilson is an Empowerment school.</li> <li>• Wilson is in its last year of an EMO Partnership with the University of Pennsylvania</li> <li>• Lea is a K-8 elementary school serving 409 students. Building is operating below 50% capacity. Lea is an Empowerment School, though SPI is higher than A. Wilson.</li> <li>• New student population at Lea would be approx. 650 students. There are (#) students attending Wilson from outside the boundary that may chose to return to their neighborhood school.</li> <li>• Boundary for Lea would need to be redrawn. Should also consider redrawing</li> </ul>

			<p>boundaries for Penn Alexander School.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Implementing option to close both Shaw and Wilson would be preferred.</b></li> <li>• The neighborhood high school remains West Philadelphia High School (SY11-12 Promise Academy)</li> <li>• Wilson becomes surplus property</li> </ul>
25	W	Close Blankenburg Reassign students to Martha Washington, Heston, and Leidy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All the schools in this area (Martha Washington, Heston, Leidy, and Blankenburg) are operating slightly below ideal capacity. Of the four schools, Blankenburg is located centrally and not entrenched in a neighborhood. It offers the best option to distribute students equally among the remaining three elementary schools.</li> <li>• Blankenburg is a K-8 elementary school serving 394 students.</li> <li>• Closure would result in students being reassigned to Martha Washington, Heston, and Leidy. All receiving schools are K-8 elementary schools. None of the schools are Empowerment schools.</li> <li>• Boundaries will need to be redrawn to determine new school assignments for all students.</li> <li>• <i>Note: alternate option is to close Leidy</i></li> <li>• Blankenburg (or Leidy) become surplus property</li> </ul>
26	NW	Close Fittler building. Relocate Fittler and replace program at Mifflin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fittler is an elementary school with grades 1-8 serving 315 students. The school is an EH-36 school meaning that students apply to attend- essentially a city-wide admit school. The school does not have a neighborhood boundary.</li> <li>• Mifflin is a K-8 elementary school serving 238 students. Mifflin is an Empowerment school and was listed as Renaissance-Alert. School operates below capacity.</li> <li>• Mifflin underwent major capital renovation which included a gym addition, addition of "smart" classrooms, and modernization of the library.</li> <li>• Under this option, the Fittler program would be relocated and consolidated with Mifflin to create a K-8 program. The school would retain its boundaries and increase utilization by offering additional seats through a lottery process. New student population would be 500-550 students.</li> <li>• Over half of the students whose reside in the Mifflin boundary do not attend the</li> </ul>

			<p>school. Most are going to charter schools or schools in Roxborough/Manayunk. Currently, Mifflin enrolls 60 students from outside its boundary- mostly from schools in North-Central area.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Neighborhood high school will be Roxborough High School. Fidler does not have a neighborhood high school assignment.</li> <li>• Fidler becomes surplus property. Fidler School was constructed in 1898. Will need to be sensitive to historical value if disposed</li> </ul>
27	NW	Close Levering School Reassign students to Cook-Wissahickon and Dobson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Levering is a K-8 elementary school serving 193 students. Enrollment at Levering has steadily declined over the past 10 years. Average class size is 20 students per grade.</li> <li>• Cook-Wissahickon is a K-8 elementary school serving 427 students.</li> <li>• Dobson is a K-8 elementary school serving 248 students.</li> <li>• Though the boundaries for all three schools are defined, many students attend from outside the boundary among the three. Closing Levering and redistributing students to Dobson and Cook-Wissahickon improves utilization at the receiving two schools.</li> <li>• Only 80 students who live in the boundary and stay (out of 227)</li> <li>• 50 students who should attend Levering are at Cook-Wissahickon</li> <li>• 22 students who should attend Levering are at Dobson</li> <li>• Students who are attending Levering from out of boundary can be offered space at Dobson or Cook-Wissahickon; or back to their neighborhood school</li> <li>• <b>Approval and implementation of this option will permit reuse of Levering for District programs currently in rented spaces. (see option below)</b></li> </ul>
28	NW	Change grade configuration of Roosevelt to 6-8 middle school. Feeder elementary schools become K-5.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Roosevelt Middle School has four feeder schools: Emlen, Fulton, Logan, and Pennell**.</li> <li>• The school houses grades 7 and 8 serving 350 students. Roosevelt is an Empowerment School.</li> <li>• Adding grade 6 to Roosevelt would provide for a three-year middle school experience and improve utilization.</li> </ul>

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New student population would be approx. 600 students**.</li> <li>• Emlen, Fulton, Logan, and Pennell** would all become K-5 elementary schools, losing grade 6.</li> <li>• The neighborhood high school remains Germantown (SY11-12 Promise Academy)</li> <li>• <i>**Note: this options assumes Pennell remains a feeder school to Roosevelt.</i></li> </ul>
29	NW	Change grade configuration of Pennell to K-8 elementary school	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pennell is a K-6 elementary school serving 427 students. Pennell was designated as a Promise Academy for SY11-12.</li> <li>• Students at Pennell currently feed Roosevelt Middle School</li> <li>• <b><i>Converting Pennell to a K-8 elementary school further decreases enrollment and utilization at Roosevelt Middle School. Pennell will require capital investment to renovate. The building has the highest FCI of all four elementary schools. Option is not recommended.</i></b></li> </ul>
30	NW	Overcrowding relief for Olney Elementary School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Olney elementary school is a K-8 elementary school serving 800 students. The school is overcrowded. <b>The District has two rentals and three portables as a result the overcrowded conditions.</b></li> <li>• To alleviate the overcrowded conditions, the fourth grade students at Olney Elementary School should be offered the opportunity to attend Grover Washington Middle School, should a student desire a true middle academic experience.</li> <li>• Grover Washington Middle School serves 760 students in grades 5 through 8. Grover Washington only has Lowell as a feeder elementary school at grade 5.</li> <li>• The current fifth grade population at Grover is 163 students. There are 81 students in grade 5 at Olney. District should push for up to 50% of students to matriculate at Grover. New population would be approx.. 800 students.</li> <li>• Students who choose to enroll at Grover Washington neighborhood high school assignment would change from Olney HS to Fels HS.</li> </ul>
31	NC	Close Dunbar and Harrison Reassign students to Ludlow and Ferguson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The four elementary schools- Dunbar, Harrison, Ludlow, &amp; Ferguson- in this grouping are all under-enrolled schools in buildings with a high FCI* (*Ludlow does not have an FCI).</li> <li>• Dunbar is a K-8 elementary school serving 176 students. In SY10-11 it became a</li> </ul>

			<p>Promise Academy. Current utilization is 39%. A total of 146 students reside within the boundary.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Harrison is a K-8 elementary school serving 192 students. Harrison is an Empowerment school. Current utilization is 46%. A total of 371 students reside within the boundary.</li> <li>• Ludlow is a K-8 elementary school serving 300 students. Ludlow is an Empowerment school. Current utilization is 54%. A total of 356 students reside within the boundary.</li> <li>• Ferguson is a K-8 elementary school serving 336 students. Ferguson is an Empowerment School. Current utilization 38%. A total of 554 students reside within the boundary.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dunbar and Harrison student population would be redistributed between Ludlow and Ferguson. (Approx 200 students to Ludlow; Approx 89 to Ferguson)</li> <li>• Option improves utilization at receiving schools and dispose of buildings with the highest FCI.</li> <li>• The neighborhood high school remains Benjamin Franklin.</li> <li>• Dunbar and Harrison become surplus property.</li> <li>• <i>Note: Walter Palmer Charter School has 109 students opting out of neighborhood option for charter.</i></li> </ul>
32	NC	Close Gideon Reassign students to Kelley and Dick (Blaine and Morris)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The three elementary schools- Gideon, Kelley, and Dick- in this grouping are all under-enrolled schools in buildings with a medium FCI.</li> <li>• Gideon is located between Kelley and Dick. It will be less disruptive to redistribute students to Dick (north) and Kelley (south).</li> <li>• Gideon is a K-8 elementary school serving 340 students.</li> <li>• Kelley is a K-8 elementary school serving 300 students. Kelley was designated as a SY11-12 Promise Academy.</li> <li>• Dick is a K-8 elementary school serving 293 students. Dick is an Empowerment School.</li> <li>• Students south of Ridge Avenue would be given the option to attend Kelley. (Approx. 180 students) New student population at Kelley would be approx. 480</li> </ul>

			<p>students.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students north of Ridge Avenue would be given the option to attend Dick. (Approx. 92 students) New student population at Dick would be approx. 400 students</li> <li>An average of 30% of the students within the Kelley-Gideon-Dick boundary are opting for charter schools</li> <li>The neighborhood high school assignment would change depending on the school selected. Dick students attend Strawberry Mansion. Kelley students attend Vaux (SY10-11 Promise Academy)</li> <li>Gideon becomes surplus property</li> </ul>
33	NC	Close Sheppard Reassign students to deBurgos and Hunter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sheppard is a K-4 elementary school serving 286 students. Currently, students from Sheppard transition to deBurgos at grade 5 for middle school. deBurgos is a K-8 elementary school.</li> <li>deBurgos is a K-8 elementary school serving 588 students. deBurgos is an Empowerment School.</li> <li>Hunter is a K-8 elementary school serving 527 students. Hunter is an Empowerment School.</li> <li>Depending on which school students from Sheppard attend, the neighborhood high school assignment will change. The feeder high school for deBurgos is Edison. The feeder high school for Hunter is Kensington.</li> <li>Approx new student population at deBurgos would be 157</li> <li>Approx new student population at Hunter would be 119</li> <li>A boundary change will also be required.</li> <li>Sheppard becomes surplus property. Potential re-use for Pre-K (high need area)</li> <li><i>Note: Talk to Lucy about ELL impact.</i></li> </ul>
34	NC	Close L.P. Hill Reassign students to Ethel Allen, Wright, and Blaine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The four elementary schools- L.P. Hill, Ethel Allen, Wright, and Blaine- in this grouping are all underutilized schools with an estimated 1400 empty seat count.</li> <li>L.P. Hill is a K-8 elementary school serving 340 students. The school is</li> </ul>



			<p>connected to Strawberry Mansion High School. L.P. Hill is an Empowerment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Utilization can be improved by closing L.P. Hill and redistributing the students among the remaining three schools.</li> <li>Ethel Allen is a K-6 elementary serving 388 students. Ethel Allen became a Promise Academy for SY10-11.</li> <li>Wright is a K-6 elementary school serving 425 students.</li> <li>Blaine is a K-8 elementary school serving 280 students. Blaine is an Empowerment School.</li> <li>Students from L.P.Hill who are assigned to Ethel Allen would attend Vaux for high school. <i>(this presumes Ethel Allen becomes K-8)</i></li> <li>Students from L.P. Hill who are assigned to Wright would attend FitzSimons/Rhodes** for middle and high school.</li> <li>Students from L.P. Hill who are assigned to Blaine would attend Strawberry Mansion for high school.</li> <li>L.P. Hill building would be demolished to reduce capacity and provide campus improvements for Strawberry Mansion. (capital investments required)</li> </ul> <p><i>(**Note: see options for Rhodes-Fitzsimons-Strawberry Mansion under High School. Neighborhood high school assignment may change)</i></p>
35	NC	Change grade configuration of Sheridan to K-5 elementary school.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sheridan Elementary School is a K-4 school 780 students. The school is overcrowded and as a result the District leases space from the Archdiocese at the Ascension School for classroom and ancillary spaces. Ascension is located directly across the street from Sheridan. Annual lease expenditure is \$</li> <li>The kindergarten and first grade populations at Sheridan are large and projected to grow.</li> <li>The Ascension School is closing effective June 2011.</li> <li>The District should approach the Archdiocese about purchasing the Ascension school. This would allow the Sheridan retain its student population and become a K-8 elementary.</li> <li>Presently, students from Sheridan feed Jones Middle School.</li> </ul>

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jones is a 5-8 middle school serving 770 students. Jones is an Empowerment School. Current feeder schools to Jones are Richmond, Sheridan, and Willard. Sheridan and Willard students transition at grade 5. Richmond students transition at grade 6.</li> <li>Populations at Willard &amp; Richmond are expected to increase, therefore preventing schools to add fifth grade.</li> </ul>
36	NC	Close Sheridan West Reassign Webster as feeder school to Penn Treaty	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sheridan West is a 6-8 middle school serving 240 students. Sheridan West is an Empowerment School.</li> <li>Webster is a K-5 elementary school serving 930 students. Webster is an Empowerment School.</li> <li>Webster is the only feeder school for Sheridan West.</li> <li><b>Sheridan West can phase out, by re-assigning students to Penn Treaty for SY11-10.</b></li> <li>Penn Treaty will be losing H.A. Brown as a feeder school because Brown is becoming a K-8 elementary school. As a result, Penn Treaty will only have two remaining feeder schools: Moffett and Hackett.</li> <li>Students from Webster can be reassigned to Penn Treaty allowing Sheridan West to close. New student population total at Penn Treaty would be approx.. 550 students.</li> <li>Sheridan West (Horn Building) becomes surplus property</li> </ul>
37	NE	New Construction- New K-5 Elementary School for Crossan and Fox Chase	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Crossan is a K-5 elementary school serving 370 students. Crossan is small building with a capacity of 300.</li> <li>Fox Chase is a K-5 elementary school serving 412 students.</li> <li>Both buildings have high FCI meaning it would be more cost effective to rebuild than to renovate.</li> <li>Construct a new 800-1000 elementary school and consolidate the schools into one building. New school can be built on the Fox Chase site.</li> <li>Crossan facility could be repurposed to serve Pre-K population.</li> <li>Implementation of this option would change the feeder middle school from Wilson to Baldi and the neighborhood high school assignment to George Washington.</li> </ul>