The Right-Sizing Plan for 2006-07 School Year

Presented to the Board on February 28, 2006
School Reorganization Vision

MOVE FROM:
A system of small schools with significant variation in educational quality, equity and cost effectiveness

TO
A system of quality schools that promote high student achievement in the most equitable and cost-effective manner
Criteria for Right-Sizing Decisions

PART ONE

1. Keep high-performing schools open if they can operate with a fair share of resources
2. Move students to higher-performing school or school with an enhanced educational program
3. Promote socio-economic, racial, educational program and facilities equity
4. Look at facilities that have space and conditions to support the moves
5. Convert excess capacity resources to funds available for enhanced educational programs
Criteria for Right-Sizing Decisions
PART TWO

6. Preserve the diversity across the District
7. Consider number of students moving
8. Assess impact and opportunity on attracting and holding students
9. Reduce future capital investments
10. Consider the impact of transportation
22 Schools Will Close

- Bon Air
- Burgwin
- Chatham
- Clayton
- Columbus
- Crescent
- East Hills
- Friendship
- Greenway Middle
- Knoxville Elem.
- Knoxville Middle
- Lemington
- Madison
- Mann
- McCleary
- Milliones
- Morningside
- Prospect Elem.
- Prospect Middle
- Reizenstein
- Sheraden
- Washington Polytech
22 Schools Will Close
3 Schools Move in 2006

- Homewood Montessori
  - From Belmar to Friendship building
- Miller African-Centered Academy
  - From Miller to McKelvy building
- Pittsburgh Classical Academy
  - From Greenway to Langley building

Gifted program moves from McKelvy to Ridge Avenue building
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All CAPS denotes buildings proposed to close and subject to 3-month public commentary from March 20 Special Public Hearing.
18 Buildings Will Close
1 New Elementary School  (Feb. 9 Plan)

• New K-5 in Arsenal building
  – Receives students from closing McCleary school and some students from reconfiguration of Woolslair feeder
Schools vs. School Buildings

Move From:
86 schools in 80 buildings

TO

65 schools in 63 buildings
Eliminating Excess Capacity

**Move From:**
13,706 total empty seats

**TO**
3,589 remaining empty seats
10.3% of total functional capacity
New Facility Configuration
Supports K-8 Expansion

- K-8s show promise nationwide and in Pittsburgh
- Be innovative with to overcome facility hurdles
- Pair facilities to support one K-8 school
  - Maximizes resources of smaller facilities
  - Creates educational continuity cost-effectively

Three new facility pairs:

**Faison K-8:** K-4 at Faison; 5-8 at Crescent building

**Lincoln K-8:** K-4 at Lincoln; 5-8 at Belmar building
  (Lemington students attend Lincoln K-8)

**Schaeffer K-8:** K-3 at Schaeffer; 4-8 at Sheraden bldg.
10 Schools Expand to K-8

- Brookline
- Faison (intermediate campus @ Crescent building)
- Lincoln (intermediate campus @ Belmar building)
- Manchester
- Miller (at McKelvy building)
- Schaeffer (intermediate campus @ Sheraden building)
- Stevens
- Vann
- Weil
- Westwood
10 Schools Expand to K-8
K-8 Transition Team Considerations

- Additional support staff
- Activities for parents, students, and staff
- Optimal meal services
- Middle grade athletics
- Organization of facility to ensure appropriate learning environments
- Facility assessment (i.e., bathrooms, labs, water fountains)
8 Schools Become Accelerated Learning Academies

- Arlington K-8
- Colfax K-8
- Fort Pitt K-5
- King K-8
- Murray K-8
- Northview K-5
- Rooney 6-8
- Weil K-8

Faison K-8 will have an enhanced arts-infused program through partnership with Manchester Craftsmen’s Guild
Accelerated Learning Academies and Enhanced Educational Programs
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Expand Early Childhood Education

• **Current Program (2005-06)**
  - Operating 71 full-day and 11 half-day classrooms serving 1,743 children
  - Supporting 55 childcare classrooms or 507 preschoolers through community partnerships

• **Expanded Program (2006-07)**
  - Convert 11 half-day programs to full day
    - An increase from 3 to 6 hours for 187 children
  - Operating 82 full-day programs, supporting 55 childcare classrooms through partnerships
  - Open 5 early childcare centers across city in addition to maintaining school-based locations
  - Allows for 66 new children to be served
  - Funded through additional Accountability Block Grant monies or Title I budget; no monies from General Fund except for building operations costs
5 Early Childhood Centers: 2006-07

- All will include:
  - Early Childhood Classrooms
  - Early Intervention Classrooms
  - Early Childhood community centers for partnership meetings and lending library
- Arlington (South)
  - Also includes 3 kindergarten and 3 first grade classes
- Chartiers (West)
- Homewood (East)
- McCleary (East/Central)
- Spring Garden (North)
5 Building Additions

• Colfax K-8
  – Equity for gym and cafeteria, 9 more classrooms for increasing enrollment, estimated completion for 2007-08

• Concord K-5
  – Equity for gym, 6 more classrooms for increasing enrollment, estimated completion for 2009-10

• McKelvy (Houses Miller K-8)
  – Equity for gym, estimated completion for 2008-09

• Sterrett 6-8 Magnet
  – Addition for equity purposes – gym, cafeteria and science labs, estimated completion for 2008-09

• Vann K-8
  – Equity for gym, estimated completion for 2008-09
Select Other Changes

- **Brookline K-8 School**
  - Brookline feeder students from South Hills return to Brookline; option for 8th graders to finish at South Hills Middle

- **Concord School**
  - Once addition is completed in 2009-10, the feeder pattern will be realigned with Roosevelt

- **Faison K-8 School**
  - Enhanced educational program through Greater Arts INtegration (GAIN) initiative and partnership with Manchester Craftmen’s Guild;
  - Funded via U.S. Department of Education’s Arts in Education Model Development and Dissemination Grants Program

- **Minadeo School**
  - Receives some Burgwin students; middle school feeder is to Sterrett

- **Ridge Avenue Building**
  - Houses gifted program students

- **Westinghouse School Building**
  - Receives administrative office personnel from Boggs

*Call Parent Hotline or Visit District Website for Updated Feeder Patterns*
Diversity Enhanced Districtwide

- Most students will be in racially mixed schools
- Racially Diverse Schools serve populations that are 25% to 75% African-American

* Does not include Pioneer, McNaugher, Conroy, Mercy BH, Middle Alternative and Student Achievement Center

% of Schools that are Racially Diverse*

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Annual Operating Savings

$14.7 Million  Net Annual Operating Savings
- $ 4.4 Million  District’s Annual Investment in Accelerated Learning Academies

$10.3 Million  Net District Savings

Funding Accelerated Learning Academies, requires District to seek additional annual funding as follows:
- Outside partners $1.8 million
- Federal & state $2.2 million
Summary of Capital Improvements

• Eliminated: $ 19.0 million
• Created: $ 52.0 million
• Net Cost: $ 33.0 million

• Net Cost for Annual Debt Service: $ 3.0 million
Projected Staff Reductions

252
Includes Administrators, Teachers, Paraprofessionals, Clerical and Custodial
Next Steps

• Implementation of Right-Sizing Plan
  – Transition Team proceeds with activities that engages all key stakeholders

• Community Feedback
  – Emails to superintendantoffice@pghboe.net
  – www.pps.k12.pa.us
  – Parent hotline: 412-622-7920

• March 20 Special Public Hearing
  – Comments only on new recommendation to close 5 buildings: Greenway, Lemington, Milliones, Reizenstein, Washington
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