

SY2020-21 Enrollment Update

School Committee

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Objectives

- ▶ Outline preliminary enrollment based on:
 - ▷ October 1 submission to DESE
 - ▷ Cropper & McKibben forecasts
- ▶ Review survey results from 2020-21 withdrawn students/families
- ▶ Next steps -- enrollment projections

2020-21 Enrollment By Grade Level (October 1)

	Number of Students
PreK	153
Kindergarten	488
Grade 1	501
Grade 2	505
Grade 3	545
Grade 4	495
Grade 5	543
Grade 6	568
Grade 7	503
Grade 8	555
Grade 9	509
Grade 10	490
Grade 11	515
Grade 12	503
SP	18
Total	6891

Notes:

- Final October 1 enrollment sent to Department of Education (DESE)
- Out of district students (67)
 - If added: 6958
- Lower Pre-K enrollment based on decisions about BEEP programming for 2020-21

Enrollment by Grade Span:

- K-8: 4703 students
- BHS (9-SP): 2035 students

[*Oct. 1 2020 DESE Enrollment](#)

Preliminary 2020-21 Enrollment Compared to '20 Forecasts

	Oct. 1 SIMS (2020)	Cropper & McKibben	Difference
PK	154	252	-98
Kindergarten	488	626	-138
Grade 1	501	623	-122
Grade 2	504	616	-112
Grade 3	545	617	-72
Grade 4	494	565	-71
Grade 5	542	613	-71
Grade 6	567	651	-84
Grade 7	502	563	-61
Grade 8	555	612	-57
Grade 9	509	550	-41
Grade 10	490	529	-39
Grade 11	514	540	-26
Grade 12	505	510	-5
SP	20	19	1
Total	6890	7886	-996

Notes:

- Decrease of 996 students (PK-SP) compared to forecasts for 2020-21
 - Largest decrease in grades K-2

How Cropper forecasts will be used:

- For budget purposes:
 - Will use the K and grade 1 Cropper forecasts by school
 - Will use cohort survival of grades 2-12 by school

*Cropper & McKibben: [10 year enrollment forecasts produced February 2020](#)

Re-enrollment of Withdrawn Students: Survey

Survey sent to all individuals who withdrew from PSB between 6/20/2020 and 12/14/2020 (1169 individual students).

- 413 family responses recorded

Residency status:

179 (43%) are no longer residents, and don't plan to return

22 (5%) plan to return to Brookline before next school year

212 (51%) remain residents

Enrollment Plans: Current Brookline Residents who have Withdrawn

- **99** families do not plan to enroll
 - 80% plan to enroll their children into a private/independent school for 2021-22
- **58** families are still deciding
 - 70% may enroll their children into a private/independent school for 2021-22.
 - 50% are currently unsure about their children's plans given the concerns of the COVID-19 pandemic. Several specifically indicated they would re-enroll only if PSB offers full-time in person instruction.
 - 20% may relocate outside of Brookline.
 - 7% may homeschool their children for 2021-22
- **77** families will re-enroll

Students Planning to Re-Enroll

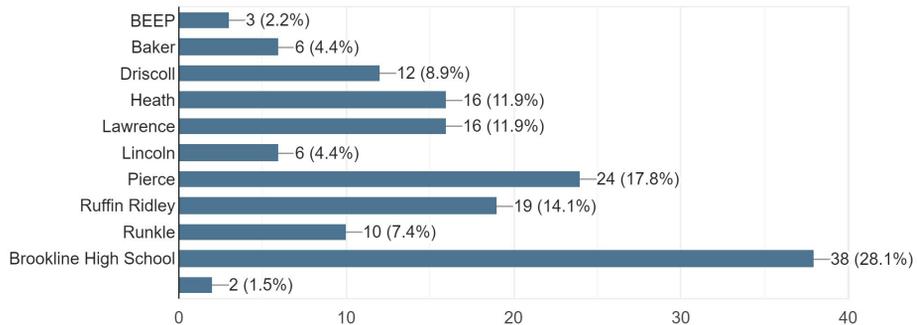
Kindergarten		13 students*
Grade 1		23 students
BHS		46 students
	Grade 9	20 students
	Grade 10	10 students
	Grade 11	9 students
	Grade 12	7 students

205 students across 135 families

*all kindergarten respondents are enrolled in PK program in 2020/21

Re-Enrollment Impact by School Location

Which school(s) do you anticipate that your student(s) would join for the 2021-22 School Year?
135 responses



Next Steps

Enrollment projections -- moving forward:

- ▷ Meeting with other districts to see how they are treating this year's enrollment (most are delaying until they have more information)
- ▷ Cropper & McKibben recommends we skip projections this year
- ▷ Pause
 - ▷ Until we have better Kindergarten enrollment numbers (March)
 - ▷ Until/if we have a better understanding of virus (infection rates with students in school, vaccine, etc.)
 - ▷ Until we have 2nd round of open enrollment for learning model change (February)
- ▷ Budget perspective: Use Cropper projections for 2020-21 for K and 1 students; roll over 2020-21 enrollment for grades 2-12.

QUESTIONS?