

# School Board of Brevard County

## FY 2014-2015 Student Accommodation Plan

### Balancing Enrollment to Capacity



## The Requirement to Balance Enrollment to Capacity

The Growth Management Legislation enacted in 2005 required all local governments to implement School Concurrency by 2008. School Concurrency means that school capacity must be available in order for new residential development to be approved. In 2007, the School Board established a 100% Level of Service (LOS) for School Concurrency, limiting the student enrollment in a school to the permanent capacity of the school. The Interlocal Agreement for Public School Facility Planning and School Concurrency between the School Board and 15 local governments requires that the 100% LOS be achieved at all schools.

For the 2008-09 school year, the School Board addressed projected over-capacity situations at eight elementary schools by changing attendance boundaries or out-of-area rules at 17 schools.

For the 2009-10 school year, attendance boundaries were changed at three existing high schools to create a new attendance boundary for Heritage High School, relieving over-capacity situations at the three existing high schools.

For the 2010-11 school year, attendance boundaries were changed at four middle schools and 32 elementary schools to address projected over-capacity situations at one middle school and eight elementary schools.

For the 2011-12 school year, no attendance boundaries were changed due to the uncertainties of the Space Shuttle Program termination impacts. During the 2011 legislative session, the growth management statutes were revised to require relocatable classroom capacity when determining school concurrency. This change gave the School District more flexibility to meet the LOS standards, reducing the need for redistricting changes and/or new permanent capacity. Students were accommodated with a net decrease of 7 relocatable classrooms.

For the 2012-13 school year, attendance boundaries were changed at five high schools, one junior/senior high school, six middle schools and eight elementary schools to address projected over-capacity situations at one high school, one junior/senior high school, three middle schools and three elementary schools. In addition, one elementary school was closed and the attendance boundaries at seven elementary schools were changed to address projected under-utilization at those schools. Students were accommodated with a net increase of 13 relocatable classrooms.

For the 2013-14 school year, two elementary schools and one middle school were closed. The middle school, Clearlake, was integrated with the nearby high school Cocoa High to create a new Junior/Senior High School. To make this change, the attendance boundaries at both Cocoa and Rockledge high schools, and at McNair Middle school had to be adjusted so that the middle and high school boundaries would be coincident. The boundaries of eight elementary schools were also changed to accommodate the students affected by the two closed elementary schools. Students were accommodated with a net decrease of 35 relocatable classrooms.

For the 2014-15 school year, no attendance boundary changes or school closures are anticipated. A net increase of 5 relocatable classroom units will be provided to accommodate the students.