



# North Arlington Public Schools



## Vikings Value

# A Blueprint for our Future!

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## Topics of Discussion

- **Purpose**
- **Growing Enrollment**
- **Lack of Space**
- **Special Education**
- **18-19 Budget**
- **A Solution!**
- **Phase 1 (QPHS)**
- **Phase 2 (Staffing)**
- **Phase 3 (Facilities)**
- **Community Feedback**



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## Purpose

- **Reduce Existing Class Sizes**
- **Expand Special Education Opportunities**
- **Increase Security Measures**
- **Establish PreK4 Program**



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## Growing Enrollment





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## Growing Enrollment



### Demographic Study

**Projection as of Sept 2018**

**Actuality**

**1828**

**1844 (OOD – 1924)**

### Residential Development

**72 New Units Anticipated**

**Construction Not Started**

**2018-2019**

### Student Enrollment

**School**

**# of Students**

**Roosevelt Elementary School**

**250**

**Jefferson Elementary School**

**305**

**Washington Elementary School**

**350**

**North Arlington Middle School**

**410**

**North Arlington High School**

**529**

**Total:**

**1844+80 (Out of District) = 1,924 Students**



# North Arlington Public Schools Lack of Space



**2018-2019  
Current (K-8)**

<b>Grade</b>	<b>Enrollment</b>	<b># Sections</b>	<b>Average Class Size</b>
<b>K</b>	138	6	23
<b>1</b>	118	5	24
<b>2</b>	140	5	28
<b>3</b>	151	6	25
<b>4</b>	155	6	26
<b>5</b>	144	6	24
<b>6</b>	150	26 Sections of 30+ Students 33 Sections of 25-29 Students	
<b>7</b>	149		
<b>8</b>	125		





# North Arlington Public Schools Lack of Space



## Student Enrollment Growth

School	# of Students 2008	# of Students 2019	% Increase
Roosevelt Elementary School	186	250	25.6%
Jefferson Elementary School	299	305	1.9%
Washington Elementary School	253	350	27.7%
North Arlington Middle School	337	410	17.8%
North Arlington High School	522	529	1.3%
<b>Total:</b>	1,597+72 (Out of District) = 1,669 Students	1,844+80 (Out of District) = 1,924 Students	13.25%

## Unsuitable Situations

- **Occupational Therapy & Physical Therapy**
- **Resource/English Language Learners/Basic Skills Inst.**
- **Art & Music**
- **World Languages**



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## Special Education Population

**2018-2019**

### Resource Room & Inclusion

Grade	Enrollment	# Sections	Average Class Size
K-5	72	9	8
5-8	46	6	8

**2018-2019**

### Self Contained

Grade	Enrollment	#Sections	Average Class Size
K-5	27	3	9

**2018-2019**

### Out of District (Special Education)

Placement	Total # of Students
Private Schools	20
SBJC	10
BCSS	5





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## 2018-2019 Budget

- **\$38,131,840 General Operating Budget**
  - **Actual \$31,131,840**
- **Per Pupil Avg. Cost: \$15,354 in FY16-17 (12<sup>th</sup> Least Funded in NJ)**
  - **\$20,849 FY16-17 NJ Per Pupil Avg. Cost**
  - **FY17-18 Adequacy Gap Per Pupil: \$(883)**

### 2018-2019 Out of District (Special Education)

Placement	Student Total	Yearly Tuition
Private Schools	20	\$1,650,384.53
SBJC	10	\$759,399.00
BCSS	5	\$334,959.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>\$2,744,742.53</b>

- **Transportation Costs 18-19: \$725,789.18**



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## How Do We Fix Our Issues?

- **Foresight of previous Boards of Education and Administration**
- **Original Plan: Roosevelt Expansion Project**
  - **11 Classrooms for \$9,000,000 (15,782 sq. ft)**
- **Queen of Peace Becomes Available: 7/1/17**
- **Negotiations to Purchase Queen of Peace Begin**
  - **Approximately 32 Classrooms, Gym, Field & Parking Lot for \$6,400,000 (72,160 sq. ft./3.68 acres)**
    - **26% off Fair Market Value: \$8,659,000**



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## Phase 1

### Purchase Queen of Peace High School

- **LRFP Amendment Approved by NJDOE (10/22/18)**
- **Land Acquisition Approved by County (12/5/18)**

### Immediate Impact on Schools

#### 2020-2021 School Year

- **NAHS (1-2 More Classrooms)**
- **QPHS Becomes NAMS (Grades 5-8)**
- **Jefferson (K-4)\* With Specialized PreK**
- **Roosevelt (K-4)**
- **Washington (K-4)**
- **Former NAMS Becomes (K-4) (School Name Committee TBD)**
- **SACC Update**

15 More Classes Now Available

Fully Funded through Capital Projects



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## Phase 1 Continued...

### Immediate Impact on Schools 2020-2021 School Year

- **Reestablish Neighborhood Schools**
- **Another gymnasium for recreation and community-based events**
- **Another field for recreation and community-based events**
- **Space to create year-round batting cages**
- **Acquire wrestling/cheer facility**

**Fully Funded through Capital Projects**





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## Phase 2

### November 2019 Staffing Questions Tentative Topics

- **Question 1**
  - **Staff Needed to Reduce Existing Class Size & Begin to Bring Back Special Education**  
**Approximately \$35-\$40 per month**
- **Question 2**
  - **Security Personnel in All Schools**  
**Approximately \$8 per month**
- **Question 3**
  - **Full Day PreK4 Approximately \$14 per month**



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## Phase 2.1

**Question 1 (Staffing) Continued...**

**Immediate Impact on Schools (Tentative)**

**2020-2021 School Year**

2018-2019 Current				2020-2021 Projected			
Grade	Enrollment	# Sections	Average Class Size	Grade	Enrollment	# Sections	Average Class Size
				K	TBD		
				1	TBD		
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## Phase 2.2

### Question 2 (Security)

## Immediate Impact on Schools (Tentative)

**2020-2021 School Year**

- **Security Guards in All Buildings**
- **Security Guards at Evening Events, including Recreation**



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## Phase 2.3

### Question 3 (PreK4)

## Immediate Impact on Schools (Tentative)

**2020-2021 School Year**

- **Establish PreK 4 Program**
  - **Locations TBD**
  - **SACC Update**
- **Approximately 8 classrooms still remain throughout all 4 Elementary Schools to grow the Special Education program and offer more space for the following programs: OT/PT, Resource, ELL, BSI, Art & Music, and World Languages.**



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## Phase 3

### December 2019 Referendum

**Approximately \$9 per month**

#### **Tentative Needs**

- **Boiler and Roof for new NAMS**
- **Furniture Upgrades for new NAMS**
- **Aesthetic Upgrades for new NAMS**
- **“Mantraps” for all Schools**
- **HVAC in Roosevelt and Washington School Gyms**
- **Jefferson Gymnasium**



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## Community Feedback Sessions

- **Series of Community-Based Meetings  
(Schedule to be Posted)**

## Miscellaneous Topics

- **Potential Revenue Streams**
- **Career and Technical Education (CTE)**
  - **Air Conditioning (NAMS & NAHS)**





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Jefferson Elementary School



Roosevelt Elementary School



Washington Elementary School



School Name TBD by Committee



North Arlington Middle School



North Arlington High School