

RESOLUTION NO. 1144-20

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMENDED
2018 HARFORD COUNTY ANNUAL GROWTH REPORT

WHEREAS, Chapter 759 of the Laws of Maryland: the Smart Growth and Neighborhood Conservation Smart Growth Areas Act of 1997 require municipalities to adopt County standards related to adequate public facilities; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 165 of the Bel Air Town Code, the Development Regulation, Article II, Section 165-21 Annual Growth Report outlines procedures for applying the County Adequate Public Facilities requirements for schools; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 165 of the Bel Air Town Code, requires submittal of the Harford County Growth Report to the Bel Air Board of Town Commissioners for acceptance at a public meeting; and

WHEREAS, in January 2020, the Harford County Department of Planning and Zoning submitted the Annual Growth Report attached hereto, indicating that the utilization rates of all public schools serving the Town of Bel Air; and

WHEREAS, Homestead-Wakefield Elementary School (112%), Red Pump Elementary School (113% in 2021), Bel Air Elementary School (113% in 2020) and Bel Air Middle School (115%) are over capacity now or projected to be over capacity within the next three years. However, in accordance with the Town code, abutting attendance areas for all the aforementioned schools contain attendance areas below capacity where pupil populations may be redistricted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Bel Air Board of Town Commissioners that the Amended 2018 Harford County Annual Growth Report attached hereto,

shall be officially accepted and shall provide the basis for review and approval of residential development per Section 165-21 of the Town of Bel Air Development Regulations.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Bel Air Board of Town Commissioners that this Resolution No. 1144-20 has been accepted by the Board on February 18, 2020.

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

Amy G. Chmielewski, Chair
Board of Town Commissioners

Michael L. Krantz, Town Clerk

2018 ANNUAL GROWTH REPORT



**HARFORD COUNTY GOVERNMENT
DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ZONING
AMENDED DECEMBER 2019**

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AMENDMENT TO 2018 ANNUAL GROWTH REPORT

In accordance with the Harford County Adequate Public Facilities provisions of the Harford County Code (§267-126), testing for adequate school capacities shall occur on June 1 and December 1 of each year. The school system updates their enrollment figures and projections after the Maryland State Department of Education certifies the official September 30, 2019 enrollment. Tables A and B below list school attendance areas with plan restrictions based upon the updated figures provided by Harford County Public Schools. Tables 6B, 10B, and 14B in Appendix B now reflect enrollment as of September 30, 2019 and include revised projections through the 2022/2023 school year. These changes replace the 2018 Annual Growth Report previously issued May 31, 2019, and fulfill the required update.

The adopted adequacy standard for the Harford County Public School system is for projected enrollment not to exceed 110% of the rated capacity within three years for both elementary and secondary schools. Preliminary plans for new subdivisions of greater than five lots, or site plans for multi-family residential development exceeding five units, cannot be approved where the standard is exceeded.

Twenty-eight of thirty-three elementary schools in Harford County currently meet established adequacy standards. Eighteen of the nineteen middle and high schools in Harford County meet adequacy standards. Subdivision and residential site plans within the attendance areas listed in Tables A and B will not be approved because the standard is not met. Plans for these areas submitted on or after December 1, 2019 will be placed on a waiting list until school capacity is available.

Table A – Elementary Attendance Areas with Plan Restrictions			
School	Year	Actual/Projected Enrollment	Utilization Rate
Bel Air	2020/2021	549	113%
Emmorton	2022/2023	628	110.2%
Havre de Grace	2019/2020	610	113%
Homestead/Wakefield	2019/2020	1,034	112%
Red Pump	2021/2022	830	113%

Table B – Secondary Attendance Areas with Plan Restrictions			
School	Year	Actual Enrollment	Utilization Rate
Bel Air MS	2019/2020	1,435	115%

Table 6B

Harford County Elementary Schools 2018 Utilization Chart									
Elementary School	State-Rated Capacity	Actual				Projected			
		2019 - 2020		2020 - 2021		2021 - 2022		2022 - 2023	
		ENROLL	% UTIL.	ENROLL	% UTIL.	ENROLL	% UTIL.	ENROLL	% UTIL.
Abingdon	863	725	84%	701	81%	689	80%	676	78%
Bakerfield	500	427	85%	430	86%	433	87%	436	87%
Bel Air*	486	531	109%	549	113%	549	113%	551	113%
Church Creek	819	697	85%	691	84%	685	84%	679	83%
Churchville	411	370	90%	368	90%	366	89%	364	89%
Darlington	157	104	66%	103	66%	102	65%	100	64%
Deerfield	788	752	95%	744	94%	735	93%	727	92%
Dublin	294	230	78%	226	77%	222	76%	218	74%
Edgewood	461	406	88%	423	92%	424	92%	417	90%
Emmorton*	570	592	104%	604	106%	616	108%	628	110.2%
Forest Hill	568	507	89%	507	89%	508	89%	508	89%
Forest Lakes	569	445	78%	455	80%	471	83%	469	82%
Fountain Green	548	484	88%	480	88%	477	87%	473	86%
G. Lisby at Hillsdale	455	413	91%	411	90%	408	90%	406	89%
Hall's Cross Roads	552	453	82%	459	83%	478	87%	474	86%
Havre de Grace*	542	610	113%	631	116%	638	118%	631	116%
Hickory	668	691	103%	693	104%	712	107%	709	106%
Homestead/Wakefield*	920	1,034	112%	1,055	115%	1,091	119%	1,096	119%
Jarrettsville	525	450	86%	458	87%	444	85%	434	83%
Joppatowne	663	617	93%	628	95%	614	93%	610	92%
Magnolia	561	550	98%	563	100%	576	103%	590	105%
Meadowvale	568	518	91%	517	91%	516	91%	516	91%
Norrisville	274	218	80%	223	81%	229	84%	235	86%
North Bend	498	402	81%	407	82%	423	85%	422	85%
North Harford	500	373	75%	381	76%	381	76%	374	75%
Prospect Mill	611	591	97%	603	99%	597	98%	607	99%
Red Pump*	737	772	105%	810	109.9%	830	113%	832	113%
Ring Factory	548	539	98%	549	100%	540	99%	542	99%
Riverside	588	462	79%	459	78%	457	78%	454	77%
Roye-Williams	703	491	70%	495	70%	498	71%	502	71%
Wm. Paca / Old Post Rd.	984	865	88%	873	89%	902	92%	902	92%
Wm. S. James	526	472	90%	485	92%	477	91%	479	91%
Youth's Benefit	1,120	1,057	94%	1,097	98%	1,092	98%	1,090	97%
TOTAL	19,577	17,848	91%	18,078	92%	18,180	93%	18,151	93%

*Note: preliminary subdivisions and residential site plans of greater than five lots/units will not be approved in attendance areas that are shaded.

Source: Harford County Public Schools & Dept. of Planning and Zoning, December 2019

Table 10B

Harford County Middle Schools 2018 Utilization Chart									
Middle School	State-Rated Capacity	Actual				Projected			
		2019 - 2020		2020 - 2021		2021 - 2022		2022 - 2023	
		ENROLL	%UTIL	ENROLL	%UTIL	ENROLL	%UTIL	ENROLL	%UTIL
Aberdeen	1,624	1,203	74%	1,251	77%	1,251	77%	1,260	78%
Bel Air*	1,243	1,435	115%	1,461	118%	1,484	119%	1,457	117%
Edgewood	1,295	1,161	90%	1,191	92%	1,195	92%	1,193	92%
Fallston	1,063	935	88%	927	87%	947	89%	959	90%
Havre de Grace	733	601	82%	625	85%	635	87%	627	86%
Magnolia	1,028	835	81%	847	82%	865	84%	860	84%
North Harford	1,210	929	77%	932	77%	947	78%	934	77%
Patterson Mill	731	764	105%	773	106%	793	108%	798	109%
Southampton	1,444	1,261	87%	1,268	88%	1,272	88%	1,275	88%
Total	10,371	9,124	88%	9,275	89%	9,389	91%	9,363	90%

*Note: preliminary subdivisions and residential site plans of greater than five lots/units will not be approved in attendance areas that are shaded.

Source: Harford County Public Schools & Dept. of Planning and Zoning, December 2019

Table 14B

Harford County High Schools 2018 Utilization Chart									
High School	State-Rated Capacity	Actual				Projected			
		2019 - 2020		2020 - 2021		2021 - 2022		2022 - 2023	
		ENROLL	%UTIL	ENROLL	%UTIL	ENROLL	%UTIL	ENROLL	%UTIL
Aberdeen	1,720	1,433	83%	1,494	87%	1,534	89%	1,589	92%
Bel Air	1,768	1,559	88%	1,569	89%	1,574	89%	1,574	89%
C. Milton Wright	1,613	1,362	84%	1,334	83%	1,363	85%	1,379	85%
Edgewood	1,716	1,458	85%	1,468	86%	1,508	88%	1,533	89%
Fallston	1,573	974	62%	987	63%	988	63%	988	63%
Harford Technical	1,135	999	88%	1,007	89%	999	88%	999	88%
Havre de Grace	835	664	80%	704	84%	730	87%	754	90%
Joppatowne	1,056	745	71%	776	73%	759	72%	771	73%
North Harford	1,538	1,256	82%	1,259	82%	1,253	81%	1,247	81%
Patterson Mill	992	825	83%	856	86%	865	87%	859	87%
Total	13,946	11,275	81%	11,454	82%	11,573	83%	11,693	84%

Source: Harford County Public Schools & Dept. of Planning and Zoning, December 2019