

UPDATE ON ENROLLMENT & SHORT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL RECOMMENDATIONS

San Rafael City Schools

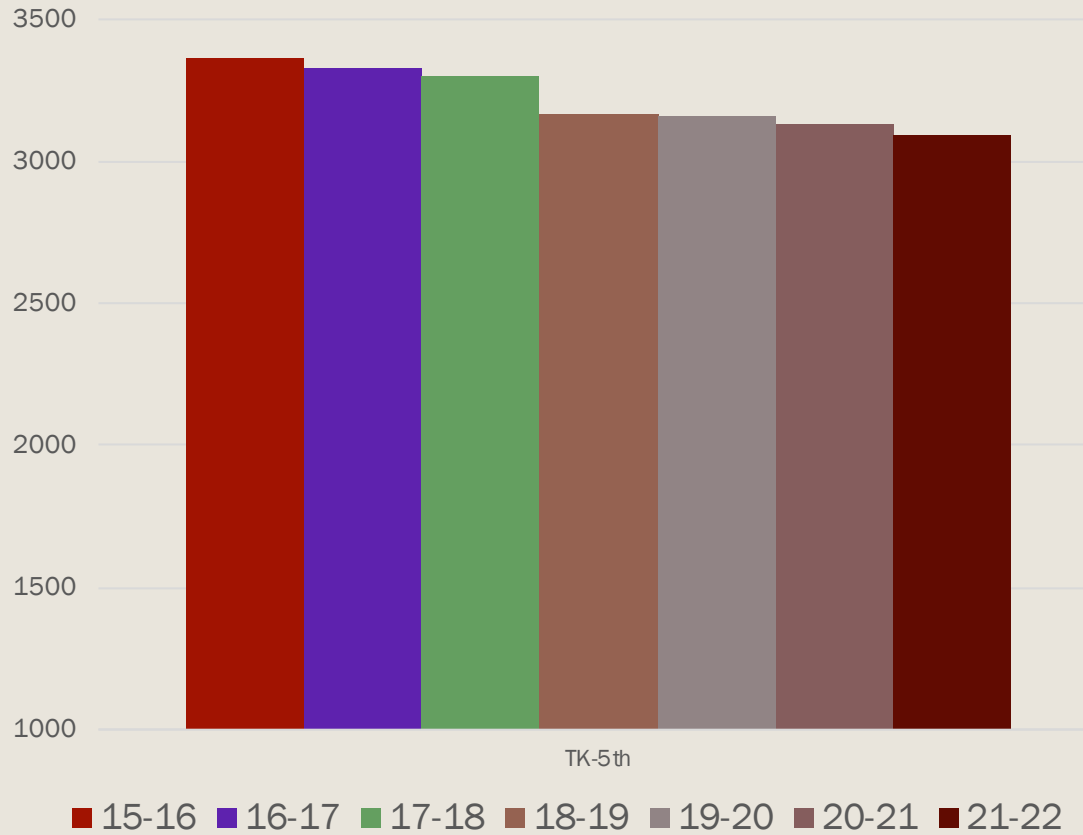
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REVIEW OF ENROLLMENT PROJECTIONS

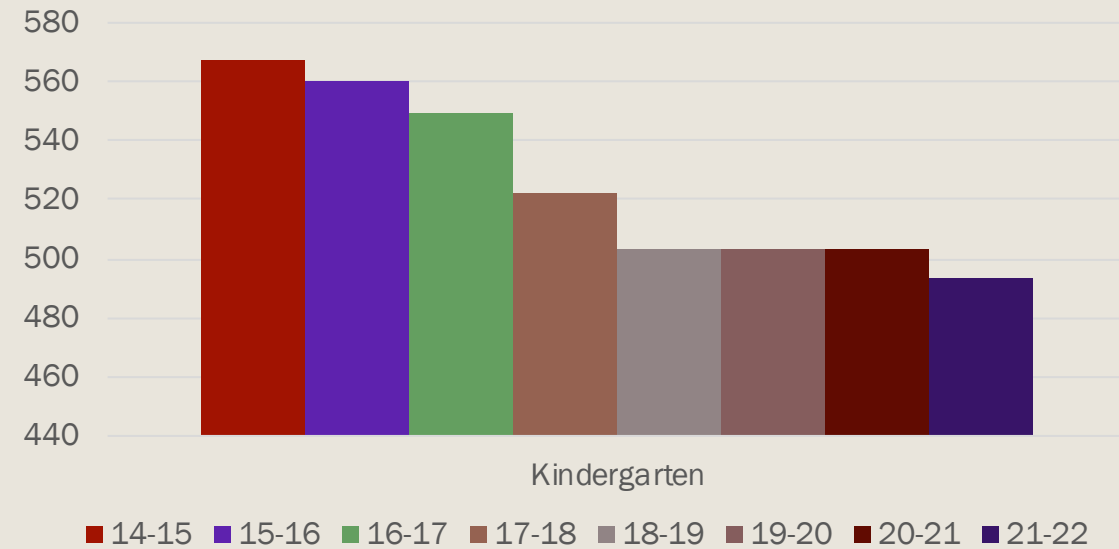


ESD: *Enrollment Historical and Projected*



Kindergarten: *Enrollment Historical and Projected*

- Kindergarten School “Courtesy Registration Days” complete
- Registration ongoing at CSO
- 500 K as of 3/15/19
- 505 K last year on 3/16/18



REVIEW OF ENROLLMENT IMPLICATIONS



Enrollment Implications for Short School

Short Elementary School does not have an attendance area; they are the elementary school most impacted by any change in enrollment.

- 2018-19: Grades 1-5, TK 170 students
- Projections for 2019-20: Grades 2-5, TK 101 students
- Projections for 2020-21: Grades 3-5, TK 46 students

We want to be very mindful of how the size of a school can impact student learning, family engagement, the overall success of the school community and more.

Overview of Conversations with the Short School Community

- Many factors to consider and want to engage others.
- Four sessions for parents, guardians and staff.
 - *Focus on sharing enrollment updates and hearing concerns, ideas and questions*
 - *Focus on hearing ideas about potential options and paths forward*
 - *Shared that Laurel Dell Principal Pepe Gonzalez has accepted a split assignment to be the principal at both Laurel Dell and Short for the 2019-20 school year.*
- Also conversations with teachers, classified staff and others.
- Transfer requests and placements for siblings of incoming Ks, as well as others who want to transfer to residence area school.



RECOMMENDATIONS

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Goal to serve the Short Elementary School community in the best way possible in the short and long-term given the enrollment information

- Short Elementary School remains open for the 2019-2020 school year, with grades 2-5 and TK.
- A merge with Laurel Dell Elementary may be the best option for a future school year.
- Many factors to consider and ongoing engagement is critical, so we intend to collaborate with all stakeholders to create a “roadmap” for the future of Short.
 - Convene stakeholders beginning in Aug. 2019
 - Brainstorm, review, discuss and plan recommendations to present to the Board by Jan. 2020 or earlier
 - Factors to discuss include:
 - Transition of students and families within district, potentially to Laurel Dell
 - Transition of teachers and staff
 - Future use of the Short School facility
 - More!
 - Stakeholders to engage include:
 - Students, families, teachers and staff
 - Neighbors and community members
 - Others!

QUESTIONS