



# Hopkinton Public Schools Enrollment update

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# The impact of Full Day Kindergarten

- Tuition free Full Day Kindergarten was approved at May Town Meeting which occurred after the enrollment certification meeting with MSBA February 18, 2014.
- 36 students who registered this year were not included in the town census (move in or return from private school)
- Kindergarten is one of the most difficult grades to predict (Don Kennedy December 2013 NESDEC report)

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- Previously, FDK enrollment was by lottery and tuition based comprised of four FDK classrooms and five HDK classrooms.
  - The implementation of FDK for all has contributed to increased enrollment of kindergarten students.
  - Families who may have previously chosen a private full day program opted for full day at Center School

# 2014-2015 NESDEC Projections to Actual

	2014-2015 Projection	2014-2015 Actual
Kindergarten	187	218 (+31)
First Grade	215	226 (+ 11)
Total	402	444

These numbers are an indication that we are seeing an acceleration in the pattern of Elementary school growth. Kindergarten numbers alone represents the need for an additional 2 classrooms, given that we offer only Full Day Kindergarten.

# Classroom counts

- The Enrollment Certification is for 355 students (without preschool which is currently needing 3 classrooms)
- Center School is currently using a total of 21 kindergarten and first grade classrooms for 444 students.
  - 10 FDK (21-23 per class)
  - 11 First grade (19-22 per class)
- Based on current enrollment and NESDEC increasing trend toward “net in-migration” it is safe to predict that we will need 22 classrooms to maintain our current program.

# 2014 NESDEC report

- Hopkinton data reveals an increasing trend toward “net in-migration”.
- Recent strengthening of the real estate market in Hopkinton reinforces this trend.
- The projected K-1 enrollment over the next 10 years is an average of 430 students (NESDEC, 10/25/2014) and is consistent with our actual enrollment.

# Building projects underway in addition to Legacy Farms

- Maspenock Woods 30 2 bedroom condos site work in process
- Highland Park IV 21 single family units site work in process
- Hayden Woods 18 2 bedroom condos site plan approved
- Peloquin Est 4 units subdivision homes under construction
- Connelly Hill Est 10 units subdivision homes under construction
- Hunters Ridge 18 units subdivision homes under construction
- 203 Pond St 12 single family units subdivision plan approved
- Christian Way 3 single family units subdivision plan approved
- Mews Apartments -40B 250-280 units Project approved by the State

**Subtotal Permitting completed or underway 1235-1285**