



# **Special Committee on School Admissions, Attendance and Boundaries**

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# Recommendations for Attendance in Overcrowded Schools

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## **I. District recommendation:**

- **Make Claremont Middle School a school of choice**
- **Expand capacity at Montclair to address overcrowding in several school areas**

## **II. Scenarios for Hillcrest**

### **A. Maintain status quo: Hillcrest at K-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Configuration**

- **Cap Hillcrest Kindergarten at 40 for incoming students**
- **Re-direct additional Kindergarteners to neighboring schools**
- **Conduct lottery for 50% of Hillcrest 5<sup>th</sup> grade students for 6<sup>th</sup> grade**

### **B. Phase Hillcrest into a K-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Configuration by 2011**

- **Accept incoming Kindergarten students from neighborhood**
- **Notify current 3<sup>rd</sup> graders of no 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> option in 2011**

### **C. Phase Hillcrest into a K-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Configuration by 2011**

- **Shrink Hillcrest boundaries to 40 incoming Kindergarteners**

**Topics for consideration by the Board of Education: short term and long term**

# Scenario A

- Maintain Hillcrest at a K-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Configuration
- Cap Hillcrest incoming Kindergarteners at 40
- Conduct lottery for each 5<sup>th</sup> grade class to cap middle school at 1 classroom

## Advantages:

- Preserves a K-8<sup>th</sup> grade option for families

## Challenges:

- Fewer neighborhood seats for incoming Hillcrest Kindergarteners
- Lottery necessary beginning in 2009. No Hillcrest middle school for 50% of 5<sup>th</sup> graders

Scenario A: Hillcrest Projections: 2009-2015

GRADE	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
K	36	37	45	45	42	38	48	51	52	44	40	40	40	40	40	40	40
1	34	39	34	42	44	39	32	47	49	51	42	38	38	38	38	38	38
2	34	34	38	32	39	41	38	31	48	47	52	43	39	39	39	39	39
3	35	32	31	31	32	37	40	36	32	47	49	54	45	41	41	41	41
4	35	34	29	31	31	31	29	37	36	30	47	49	54	45	41	41	41
5	32	31	33	28	32	29	29	29	34	36	28	43	45	49	41	37	37
6	27	22	22	24	21	28	24	18	27	24	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
7	17	23	19	21	20	19	26	23	18	26	24	20	20	20	20	20	20
8	15	17	22	19	21	17	16	27	22	18	25	23	19	19	19	19	19
<b>Total</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>269</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>279</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>299</b>	<b>318</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>326</b>	<b>330</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>311</b>	<b>299</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>295</b>

# Scenario B

- Phase Hillcrest into a K-5<sup>th</sup> configuration by 2011: leave boundary intact
- Accept more Kindergarten students to Hillcrest by 2011: redirect Kindergarten overflow to Montclair in the interim

## Advantages:

- Accepts greater number of incoming neighborhood Hillcrest Kindergarten students by 2011
- Leaves the Hillcrest boundary intact

## Challenges:

- Facilities cost of two story classroom building at Montclair; use portables in the short term

Scenario B: Montclair Projections

	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
<b>K</b>	68	66	59	61	51	64	64	60	57	70	90	80	80	80	80	80	80
<b>1</b>	58	73	58	57	66	51	63	65	64	59	75	96	85	85	85	85	85
<b>2</b>	59	55	67	62	58	60	45	65	67	60	61	77	99	88	88	88	88
<b>3</b>	63	57	56	62	61	54	53	49	60	70	55	56	71	91	81	81	81
<b>4</b>	57	52	54	53	52	62	45	55	48	61	69	54	55	70	89	80	80
<b>5</b>	46	51	48	54	52	53	53	51	54	49	60	67	53	54	68	88	78
<b>K-5</b>	351	354	342	349	340	344	323	345	350	369	409	431	444	468	492	502	492

Montclair's incoming Kindergarten class will increase by 10

# Scenario C

- Shrink Hillcrest boundary to include 50 Kindergarten students
- Phase Hillcrest to K-5<sup>th</sup> grade configuration by 2011

## Advantages:

- Certainty of future neighborhood school
- Allows for higher number of incoming Hillcrest Kindergarteners

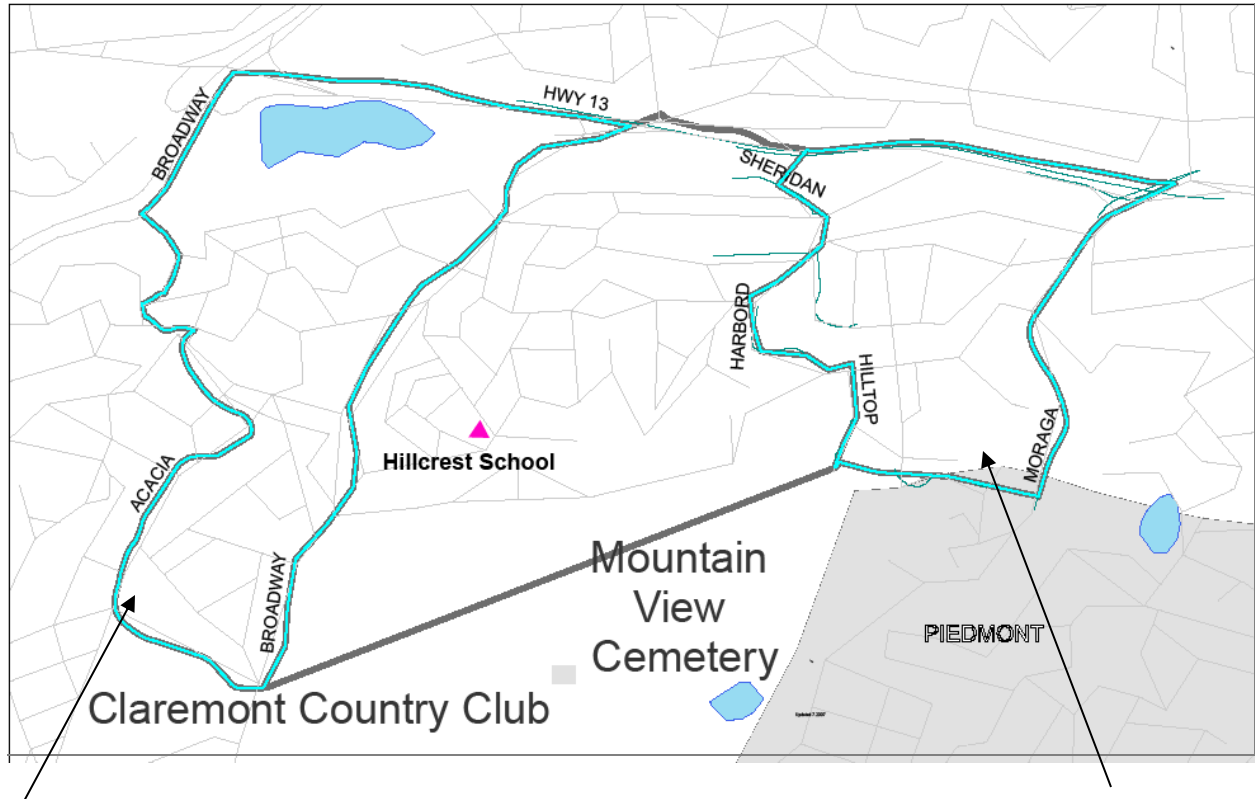
## Challenges:

- Modify Hillcrest boundary to accommodate 50 incoming Kindergarten students

Scenario B: Hillcrest Projections: 2009-2015

GRADE	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
<b>K</b>	36	37	45	45	42	38	48	51	52	44	40	50	50	50	50	50	50
<b>1</b>	34	39	34	42	44	39	32	47	49	51	43	39	49	49	49	49	49
<b>2</b>	34	34	38	32	39	41	38	31	48	47	49	41	38	47	47	47	47
<b>3</b>	35	32	31	31	32	37	40	36	32	47	46	48	41	37	46	46	46
<b>4</b>	35	34	29	31	31	31	29	37	36	30	44	43	45	38	35	43	43
<b>5</b>	32	31	33	28	32	29	29	29	34	36	30	44	43	45	38	35	43
<b>6</b>	27	22	22	24	21	28	24	18	27	24							
<b>7</b>	17	23	19	21	20	19	26	23	18	26	24						
<b>8</b>	15	17	22	19	21	17	16	27	22	18	26	24					
<b>Total</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>269</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>279</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>299</b>	<b>318</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>278</b>

## Scenario C: Phase Hillcrest into a K-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Configuration by 2011 and Shrink Boundary



Portion re-districted to **CHABOT** recommended to be drawn along:

- **Broadway Terrace**

Estimated number of Kindergarten students impacted: **5-15**

Portion re-districted to **MONTCLAIR** recommended to be drawn along:

- **Hilltop, Harbord, Sheridan**

Estimated number of Kindergarten students impacted: **5-15**

# 2008-2009 Hillcrest Options Data

## Review of 2008-2009 Hillcrest Neighborhood Kindergarten Residents

	<b>Neighborhood Kindergarten Residents</b>	<b>Hillcrest Kindergarten Residents</b>	<b>Total Kindergarten Class</b>
Hillcrest	48	44	44
Montclair	68*	0	70
Chabot	63*	2	79
Thornhill	55*	2	59
<b>Total Hillcrest Residents</b>		<b>48</b>	

\* Approximate data based on lottery, all applicants after lottery process not yet available

# Addendum

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## **I. 2008-2009 Options Data for Overcrowded Schools**

## **II. Scenarios presented to Hillcrest Community and Board: December 2007**

(No scenarios were adopted by Board members)

Scenario 1: Eliminate middle school

Scenario 2: Cap Kindergarten at 40 with no change to middle school

Scenario 3: Shrink boundary, cap K at 40 and cap middle school at 20



## Addendum: 2008-2009 Options Data for Overcrowded Schools\*

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<b>Schools</b>	<b>Kindergarten Students enrolled at the end of Options deadline</b>	<b>No Shows</b>	<b>Kindergarten Students Currently Enrolled as of 9/26/08</b>
<b>Montclair</b>	76	18	70
<b>Franklin</b>	78	5	120
<b>Peralta</b>	48	9	55
<b>Horace Mann</b>	25	2	61
<b>Redwood Heights</b>	46	6	48
<b>Lincoln</b>	88	8	98
<b>Chabot</b>	84	21	79
<b>Thornhill</b>	73	22	59
<b>Kaiser</b>	38	12	50
<b>Hillcrest</b>	40	6	44

## Addendum: Data on Kindergarten No Shows: Overcrowded Schools\*

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<b>Schools</b>	<b>No Shows</b>	<b>Private</b>	<b>Held back</b>	<b>Moved</b>	<b>Charter</b>	<b>Unknown</b>
<b>Montclair</b>	18	4	5	2	0	7
<b>Franklin</b>	5	0	0	0	0	5
<b>Peralta</b>	9	7	0	2	0	0
<b>Horace Mann</b>	2	0	0	0	0	2
<b>Redwood Heights</b>	6	5	0	1	0	0
<b>Lincoln</b>	8	0	1	5	0	2
<b>Chabot</b>	21	12	3	2	0	4
<b>Thornhill</b>	22	7	7	4	0	4
<b>Kaiser</b>	12	5	1	2	2	2
<b>Hillcrest</b>	6	2	3	1	0	0

\*Data based on phone surveys and information from principals

# Addendum: Scenario 1 presented to Board in December 2007 (Not Adopted)

**OUSD SCENARIO 1: Eliminate middle school** (This scenario was not proposed by the LRPC. However as a district, we felt that it was very important to consider this alternative given that it was recommended by a number of pre-Kindergarten Hillcrest families)

## Advantages:

- Allows a greater number of Kindergartens in incoming classes

## Challenges:

- Strong likelihood based on survey results that there will be at least 60 Kindergarten families within the current Hillcrest boundary
- Hillcrest facilities cannot sustain future incoming classes of 60 Kindergarteners

**Medium Scenario** with GP's as discussed on Slide #5

**High Scenario** with Maximum GP's of the last 3 years

GRADE	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	
K	38	48	51	52	60	60	60	60	60	60	60	60	GP: Medium
1	39	32	47	49	50	58	58	58	58	58	58	58	97.0%
2	41	38	31	48	49	50	58	58	58	58	58	58	99.8%
3	37	40	36	32	48	49	51	58	58	58	58	58	100.4%
4	31	29	37	36	31	46	47	49	56	56	56	56	96.3%
5	29	29	29	34	36	30	45	45	47	54	54	54	95.9%
6	28	24	18	27									93.1%
7	19	26	23	18	26								97.9%
8	17	16	27	22	18	26							99.7%
<b>Total</b>	<b>279</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>299</b>	<b>318</b>	<b>317</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>319</b>	<b>329</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>345</b>	<b>345</b>	<b>345</b>	

GRADE	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	
K	38	48	51	52	60	60	60	60	60	60	60	60	GP: Max 3 yr
1	39	32	47	49	51	59	59	59	59	59	59	59	97.9%
2	41	38	31	48	50	52	60	60	60	60	60	60	102.1%
3	37	40	36	32	50	52	54	62	62	62	62	62	103.2%
4	31	29	37	36	32	50	52	54	62	62	62	62	100.0%
5	29	29	29	34	36	32	50	52	54	62	62	62	100.0%
6	28	24	18	27									93.1%
7	19	26	23	18	27								100.0%
8	17	16	27	22	19	28							103.8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>279</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>299</b>	<b>318</b>	<b>324</b>	<b>332</b>	<b>334</b>	<b>346</b>	<b>356</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>365</b>	

345 projected students is significantly greater than Hillcrest's facility capacity

# Addendum: Scenario 2 presented to Board in December 2007 (Not Adopted)

## OUSD SCENARIO 2: Cap at 40 Kindergarteners with no change to middle school

### Advantages:

- Programmatically, the scenario would preserve the community's commitment to preserving a K-8 option for families

### Challenges:

- Based on even a relatively conservative prediction of future grade progressions, this solution does not fully solve the challenges of overcrowding
- With the uncertainty of future grade progressions, it's very possible that this solution would not at all solve the situation

#### Medium Scenario with GP's as discussed on Slide #5

GRADE	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	
K	38	48	51	52	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	GP: Medium
1	39	32	47	49	50	39	39	39	39	39	39	39	97.0%
2	41	38	31	48	49	50	39	39	39	39	39	39	99.8%
3	37	40	36	32	48	49	51	39	39	39	39	39	100.4%
4	31	29	37	36	31	46	47	49	37	37	37	37	96.3%
5	29	29	29	34	35	30	45	45	47	36	36	36	95.9%
6	28	24	18	27	32	32	28	41	42	43	33	33	93.1%
7	19	26	23	18	26	31	31	27	41	41	43	33	97.9%
8	17	16	27	22	18	26	31	31	27	40	41	42	99.7%
<b>Total</b>	<b>279</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>299</b>	<b>318</b>	<b>329</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>355</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>338</b>	

#### High Scenario with Maximum GP's of the last 3 years

GRADE	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	
K	38	48	51	52	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	GP: Max 3 yr
1	39	32	47	49	51	39	39	39	39	39	39	39	97.9%
2	41	38	31	48	50	52	40	40	40	40	40	40	102.1%
3	37	40	36	32	50	52	54	41	41	41	41	41	103.2%
4	31	29	37	36	32	50	52	54	41	41	41	41	100.0%
5	29	29	29	34	36	32	50	52	54	41	41	41	100.0%
6	28	24	18	27	32	34	30	46	48	50	38	38	93.1%
7	19	26	23	18	27	32	34	30	46	48	50	38	100.0%
8	17	16	27	22	19	28	33	35	31	48	50	52	103.8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>279</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>299</b>	<b>318</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>370</b>	<b>377</b>	<b>381</b>	<b>389</b>	<b>381</b>	<b>372</b>	

355 projected students is significantly greater than Hillcrest's facility capacity

# Addendum: Scenario 3 presented to Board in December 2007 (Not Adopted)

## **OUSD SCENARIO 3:**

- **Reduce cohort of neighborhood students by shrinking boundary**
- **Cap Kindergarten at 40**
- **Annually review attrition rates and cap Middle School at 20 if current grade progressions continue\***

### **Challenges:**

- Enrollment will still be over the facilities capacity of 310 for the next three years

### **Advantages:**

- As requested by the LRPC, model utilizes a more realistic attrition rate for projecting student population.
- Reduces some overcrowding while preserving the community's commitment to a K-8 option

#### **Medium Scenario** with GP's as discussed on Slide #5

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1		34	39	34	42	44	39	32	47	49	50	39	39	39	39	39	39	39	97.0%
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3		35	32	31	31	32	37	40	36	32	48	49	51	39	39	39	39	39	100.4%
4		35	34	29	31	31	31	29	37	36	31	46	47	49	37	37	37	37	96.3%
5		32	31	33	28	32	29	29	29	34	35	30	45	45	47	36	36	36	95.9%
6		27	22	22	24	21	28	24	18	27	25	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	93.1%
7		17	23	19	21	20	19	26	23	18	26	24	20	20	20	20	20	20	97.9%
8		15	17	22	19	21	17	16	27	22	18	26	24	20	20	20	20	20	99.7%
Total		265	269	273	273	282	279	282	299	318	322	325	324	309	300	289	289	289	

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4	31	29	37	36	32	50	52	54	41	41	41	41	100.0%
5	29	29	29	34	36	32	50	52	54	41	41	41	100.0%
6	28	24	18	27	25	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	93.1%
7	19	26	23	18	27	25	20	20	20	20	20	20	100.0%
8	17	16	27	22	19	28	26	20	20	20	20	20	103.8%
Total	279	282	299	318	329	337	340	326	315	303	303	303	

\* Beginning in 2009, all 5<sup>th</sup> grade Hillcrest students must fill out an Options form. Middle school seats will be drawn through a lottery process