

# STUDY AREA 3 • COMMUNITY INPUT FORUM #1

## COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL PLANNING REVIEW

5 March 2020, 6-8PM @ Overbrook High School, Auditorium

### FORUM INTENTIONS:

- Share information about and deepen understanding of the CSPR process and work to date
- Collect input from the general public about the process and the initial options considered thus far

### SCHEDULE:

<u>TIMING</u>	<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
5:45 TO 6:10PM	<b>ARRIVAL &amp; REGISTRATION</b> Sign in and get settled in the auditorium	FOYER
6:10 TO 6:30PM	<b>WELCOME &amp; OVERVIEW</b> All participants convene in the auditorium for welcome, overview, and instructions	AUDITORIUM
6:30 TO 6:40PM	<b>TRANSITION PERIOD</b> Make your way to the school-specific presentation of your choice	
6:40 TO 7:30PM	<b>SCHOOL-SPECIFIC PRESENTATIONS</b> Select a primary school and participate in a school-focused presentation and Q&A session focused on the CSPR process, potential options, and input	CLASSROOMS
7:30 TO 7:50PM	<b>SELF-GUIDED TOUR FOR ADDITIONAL SCHOOL INFORMATION</b> Visit additional school-focused classrooms for information and to submit input	CLASSROOMS
7:50 TO 8:00PM	<b>COMPLETE ALL SURVEYS &amp; INPUT SHEETS</b> Before departing, complete and turn in all surveys and input sheets	CLASSROOMS, FOYER

### CSPR DEFINED:

The Comprehensive School Planning Review (CSPR) is a collaborative process to assess the District's neighborhood school enrollment, school facilities, and educational program offerings, to help us plan for the future in a way that ensures our students have access to a great school close to where they live.

**Please visit the School District of Philadelphia's website for regularly updated CSPR process and data information:**

<https://philasd.org/cspr>

School	Presentation Room Number
LEWIS C. CASSIDY	ROOM 217
SAMUEL GOMPERS	ROOM 219
ROBERT E. LAMBERTON	ROOM 223
OVERBROOK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	ROOM 225



**CSPR**



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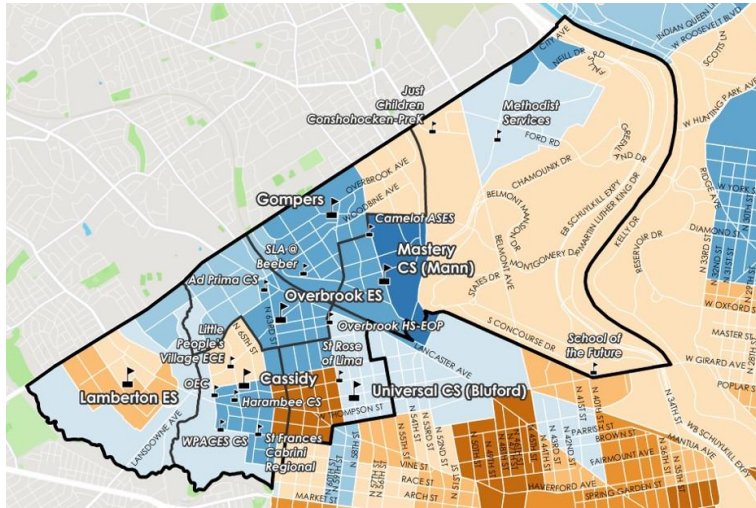
- **OUR PRIORITIES:**

- Make **Pre-K** available in as many elementary school locations as possible
- Provide a clear **PreK-12 continuum** for families in their neighborhoods with preferred grade configurations: PreK-5, PreK-8, 6-8, 6-12, 9-12
- Provide all children access to any needed **educational programming** (i.e. SPED, ESOL, gifted, PreK)
- Direct resources in an **equitable** - not equal - way to meet the needs of neighborhoods
- **Balance utilization** to relieve overcrowding and maintain an acceptable utilization level based on facility capacity and enrollment projections
- **Minimize disruption** of future attendance area adjustments and established programming
- **Promote safe routes to/from schools** by considering student travel times, limiting the number of natural and human-made physical boundaries students must cross to and from school, and considering the availability of sidewalks
- **Avoid adversely impacting any specific community**
- **Financial viability**

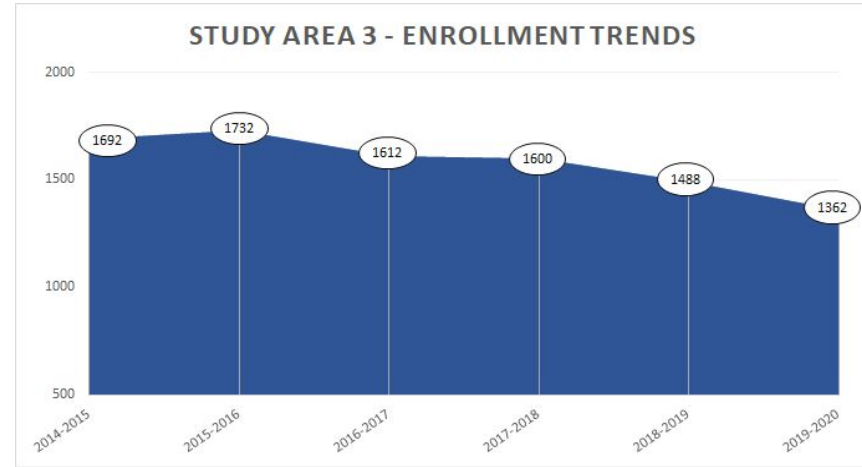
**IS IT GOOD FOR KIDS?**

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Magnitude of Change per Census Tract



## KEY ISSUES

- **Low building utilization and declining enrollment**
  - Cassidy, Gompers, Lambertton, and Overbrook
- **High transfer rates out and mobility**
  - Families choosing area charter schools (30-50% of students residing in catchments, depending on school)
  - High transfer out rate to Overbrook Educational Center (OEC), a special admit school

## POTENTIAL OPTIONS

- Closing
- Grade Reconfigurations
- Transitions
- Adding a Middle School Option

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## FORECAST INDICATORS

- Rates of private school participation in SA3 are significantly higher than in the district as a whole.
- In addition, rates of charter choice are significantly higher in SA3 than in the district as a whole.
- Although the last two years saw declines, the 2019 count of public K-8 students residing in SA3 is higher than in 2014.
- However, SA3 neighborhood schools have not experienced this growth, due to increasing charter choice.
- With almost no new construction, and low rates of real estate activity, continued decline in enrollment at SA3 neighborhood schools is expected.
- If the increasing rate of charter choice over time stabilizes, enrollment at SA3 neighborhood schools will likely either stabilize, or decline at a much slower rate.

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## OPTIONS COULD INCLUDE ANY ONE, OR COMBINATION OF:

- **Addition/New Construction:** The construction of a new or renovation of an existing building to meet future demand.
- **Boundary Change:** A realignment of catchment boundaries to accommodate projected changes in populations and communities across our city.
- **Closing:** The elimination of an academic program and/or school facility.
- **Co-Location:** Sharing underutilized space for appropriate educational or administrative functions.
- **Grade Reconfigurations:** The addition or reduction of grades.
- **Policy changes:** Changes to district policy and admin procedures.
- **Relocation:** Movement of an educational program to another facility.
- **Replication:** The replication of high quality academic programming.
- **Transitions:** Creating thoughtful transitions for students at elementary and middle grades.

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## SCHOOL PROGRESS REPORT (SPR)

	Utilization	FCI Tier	Overall	Achievement	Progress	Climate	
Cassidy	K-8	64%	Replace or Close	15%	4%	27%	10%
Gompers	K-8	54%	Replace Systems	38%	15%	52%	41%
Lamberton ES	pK-8	39%	Replace Systems	10%	6%	3%	22%
Overbrook ES	K-8	53%	Replace Systems	33%	18%	46%	34%

### PERFORMANCE TIERS LEGEND

INTERVENE 0 - 24%	WATCH (25-49%)	REINFORCE (50-74%)	MODEL (75-100%)
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## CASSIDY

6523 Lansdowne Avenue  
Philadelphia, Pa 19151  
Grades: K-8  
Principal: *Tangela M. McClam*

### 420 Students Enrolled

- 285 in catchment
- 135 out of catchment

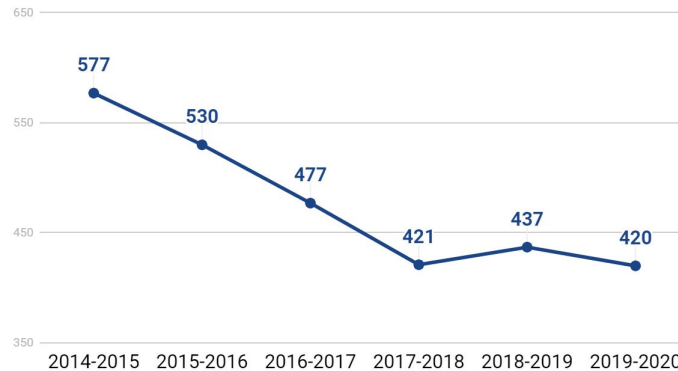
### Program Offerings

- Art
- Music
- PE
- Special Education
- ELL
- Dual Language

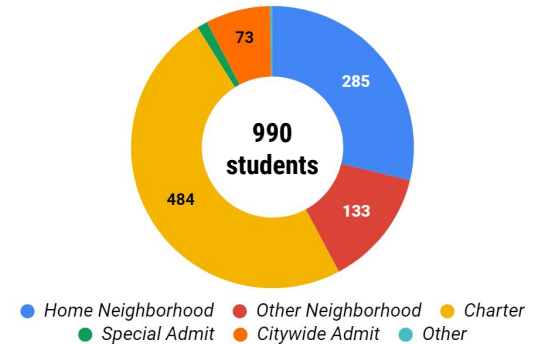
## SCHOOL PROGRESS REPORT (SPR)

Bldg Capacity	FCI Tier	Overall	Achievement	Progress	Climate
<b>656 students</b> 64% utilization	<b>Replace or Close</b>	<b>15%</b> <b>intervene</b>	<b>4%</b> <b>intervene</b>	<b>27%</b> <b>watch</b>	<b>10%</b> <b>intervene</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Replacement building for Cassidy Elementary included in the FY19 capital budget, May 2018</li> <li>• District proposes to close and convert Beeber Middle School to a K-8 elementary school, Dec 2012</li> </ul>					

### Enrollment Trends



### In Catchment Students



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## GOMPERS

5701 Wynnefield Avenue  
Philadelphia, Pa 19131  
Grades: K-8  
Principal: *Phillip DeLuca*

### 290 Students Enrolled

- 135 in catchment
- 155 out of catchment

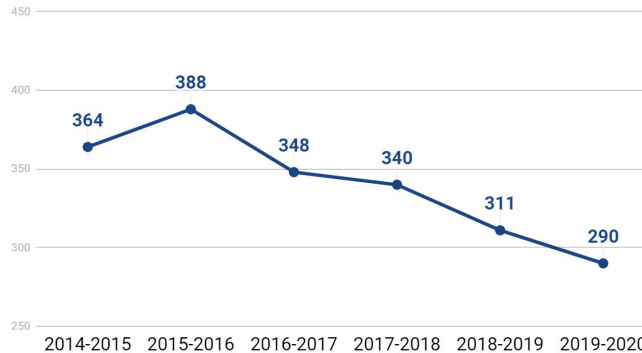
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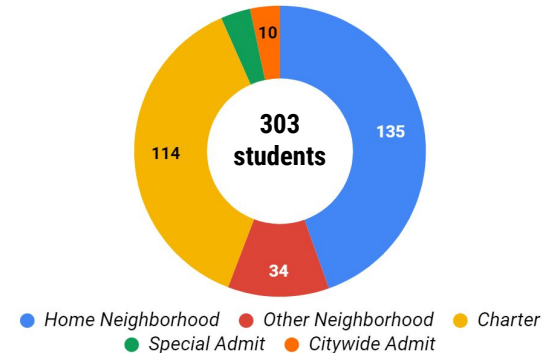
## SCHOOL PROGRESS REPORT (SPR)

Bldg Capacity	FCI Tier	Overall	Achievement	Progress	Climate
<b>537 students</b> 54% utilization	<b>Replace systems</b>	<b>38%</b> watch	<b>15%</b> intervene	<b>52%</b> reinforce	<b>41%</b> watch
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Gompers expanded from K-6 to K-8, 2016</i></li> <li>• <i>Modular buildings renovated, September 2016</i></li> </ul>					

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## LAMBERTON

7501 Woodbine Avenue  
Philadelphia, Pa 19151  
Grades: pK-8  
Principal: *Antoinette Powell*

### 422 Students Enrolled

- 254 in catchment
- 168 out of catchment

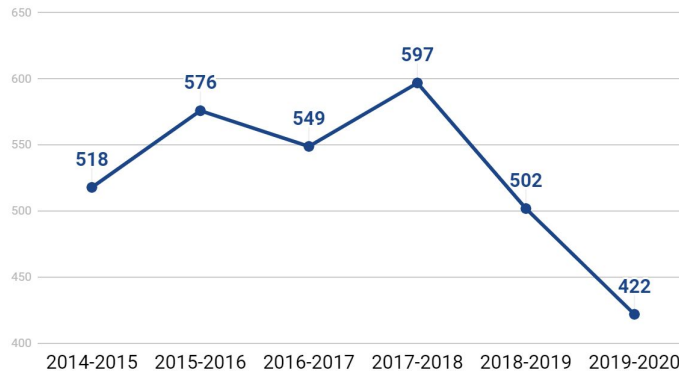
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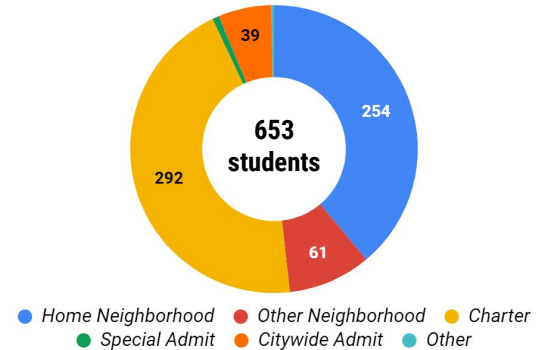
## SCHOOL PROGRESS REPORT (SPR)

Bldg Capacity	FCI Tier	Overall	Achievement	Progress	Climate
<b>1084 students</b> 39% utilization	<b>Replace systems</b>	<b>10% intervene</b>	<b>6% intervene</b>	<b>3% intervene</b>	<b>22% intervene</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Lamberton High School closed, 2013</i></li> </ul>					

### Enrollment Trends



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## OVERBROOK ELEMENTARY

2032 N 62nd Street  
Philadelphia, Pa 19151  
Grades: K-8  
Principal: Joe Dixon

### 230 Students Enrolled

- 183 in catchment
- 47 out of catchment

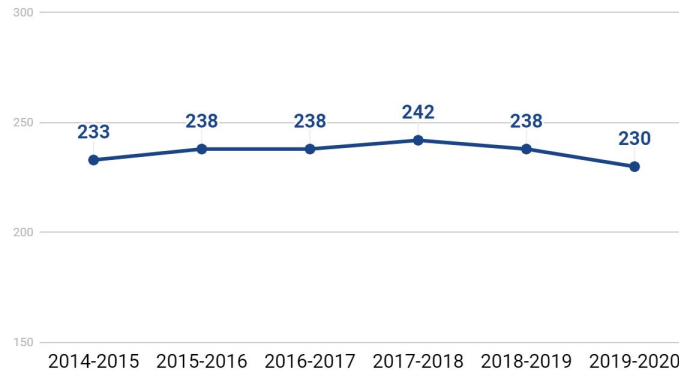
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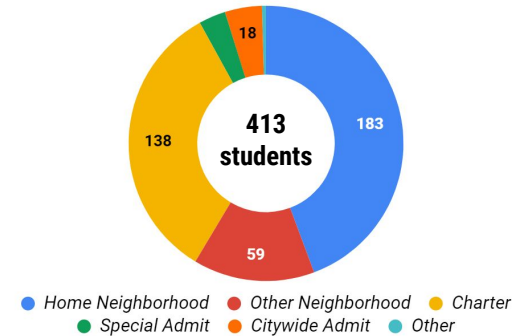
## SCHOOL PROGRESS REPORT (SPR)

Bldg Capacity	FCI Tier	Overall	Achievement	Progress	Climate
<b>437 students</b> 53% utilization	<b>Replace systems</b>	<b>33%</b> watch	<b>18%</b> intervene	<b>46%</b> watch	<b>34%</b> watch
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• District proposes to close and convert Beeber Middle School to a K-8 elementary school, Dec 2012</li> <li>• Purchase of Modular building to add classroom capacity at Overbrook Elementary School, Dec 2016</li> </ul>					

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## Potential Options

- Grade Reconfiguration from **K-8 to K-5** with 6-8 grade students going to **new middle school** (location to be determined or Cassidy - K-5 Cassidy students would move to OES)
- Moving **Overbrook ES students to Cassidy** once new school is built.
- Grade Reconfiguration from **K-8 to K-5** with **K-5 Overbrook ES Students to Gompers or Lamberton**; all 6-8 grade students to **new middle school** (location to be determined)
- **Co-locating a special admit school** at Lamberton; or some variation that would attract students to building.

## Issues Addressed

- ✓ Improves utilization at Overbrook ES if K-5 Cassidy students move there
- ✓ Middle school may attract families with the addition of more programs
- ✓ Addresses low utilization issues at Overbrook ES
- ✓ Facilities issues addressed with students in new Cassidy building
- ✓ Addresses low utilization issues at Overbrook ES
- ✓ Middle school may attract families with the addition of more programs
- ✓ Address low utilization issue at Lamberton

## Issues Remaining

- Creates lower utilization at Lamberton and Gompers
- Transportation issues at K level for Cassidy students
- Transportation issues for Overbrook ES students going to Cassidy at young ages
- Low utilization at Lamberton
- Transportation issues for Overbrook ES students going to Lamberton or Gompers
- Lowers utilization at some schools
- Low utilization at Overbrook ES and Gompers