

Equity Impact Statement

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Title: BuildBPS: Grade Configurations	Date: December 6, 2017
Presentation Overview/Action Proposed:	No action is proposed at this time. The purpose of this presentation is to share information with the committee and solicit the committee's questions and feedback, to be incorporated into the short and long-term implementation of BuildBPS.
Educational and Racial Equity Implications:	The primary equity implication considered is how current grade configurations inhibit efforts to improve equity within the district, as well as how changes to grade configurations aim to create the conditions to provide equitable educational opportunities across our district.
Policy Implications:	The overall movement of the district towards fewer grade configurations is designed to bring coherence to the district, to improve equity and increase opportunity throughout the district, and to fully realize the benefits of WSF.
Budget Impact:	This presentation is a report with no specific action requested of the school committee; therefore, there are no immediate budget implications. However, any specific reconfiguration proposal could have both operating and capital budget impacts. Any future presentations that include specific reconfiguration proposals will include specific cost and benefit estimates for the District overall.
Implications of Yes Vote:	Endorse continued planning and scenario development for move to fewer grade configurations and a primarily K-6/7-12, K-8/9-12 district. This enables the continued development and vetting of K-6/7-12 proposals to be moved into public engagement this winter.
Implications of No Vote:	Pause continued planning and scenario development for move to fewer grade configurations and a primarily K-6/7-12, K-8/9-12 district. This would reset the conversation on proposals for BuildBPS capital investment and reconfiguration, which would represent a significant departure from current best thinking.



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