

# Facilities Master Plan Committee

September 10, 2014 Meeting

**Overview of Enrollment Growth Options**

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# **SUPERINTENDENT'S ENROLLMENT GROWTH TASK FORCE**

## **FINAL REPORT**

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**May 24, 2013**

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### **COMMITTEE CHARGE**

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"This task force of stakeholders shall come together to understand the student capacity challenges of the Los Altos School District and the impacts on the current and future education of the Community's children. Additionally, the stakeholders shall discuss the challenges of a long-term plan to house Bullis Charter School students and staff using current and/or future facilities."

## MEMBERS OF SEGTF AND EACH MEMBER'S APPOINTING BODY:

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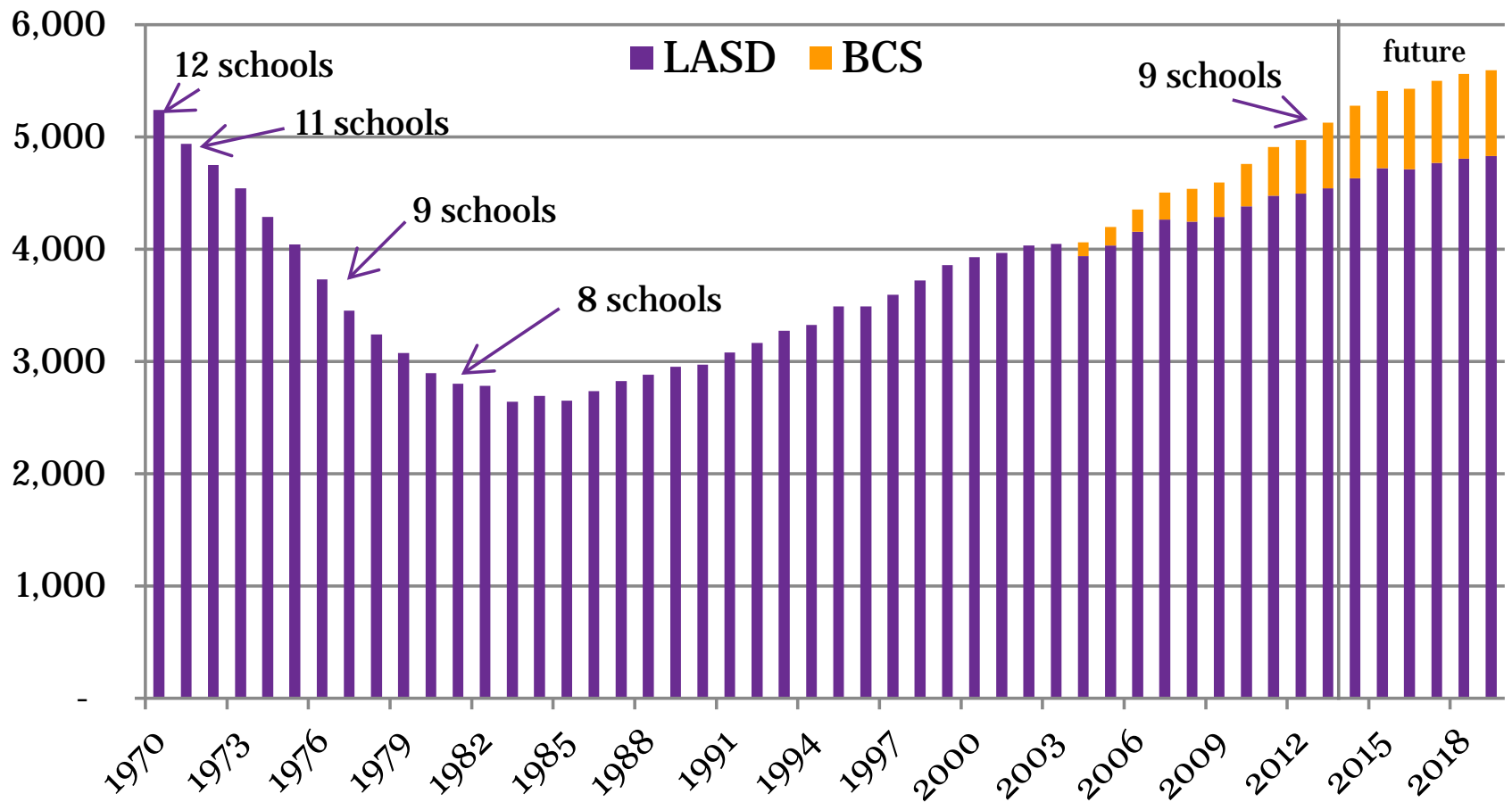
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# Enrollment Growth Task Force

- Extracts from findings & recommendations
  - *“Student enrollment is at its highest level in 40 years. Further growth is likely, driven by multiple factors such as the state-leading API scores of our schools, which make the District...highly desirable for families with children.”*
  - *“SEGTF recommends that the **district pursue two additional school sites—one to house BCS and one to house LASD students**...It is difficult to imagine any solution for garnering school sites/facilities without some level of taxpayer funding.”*

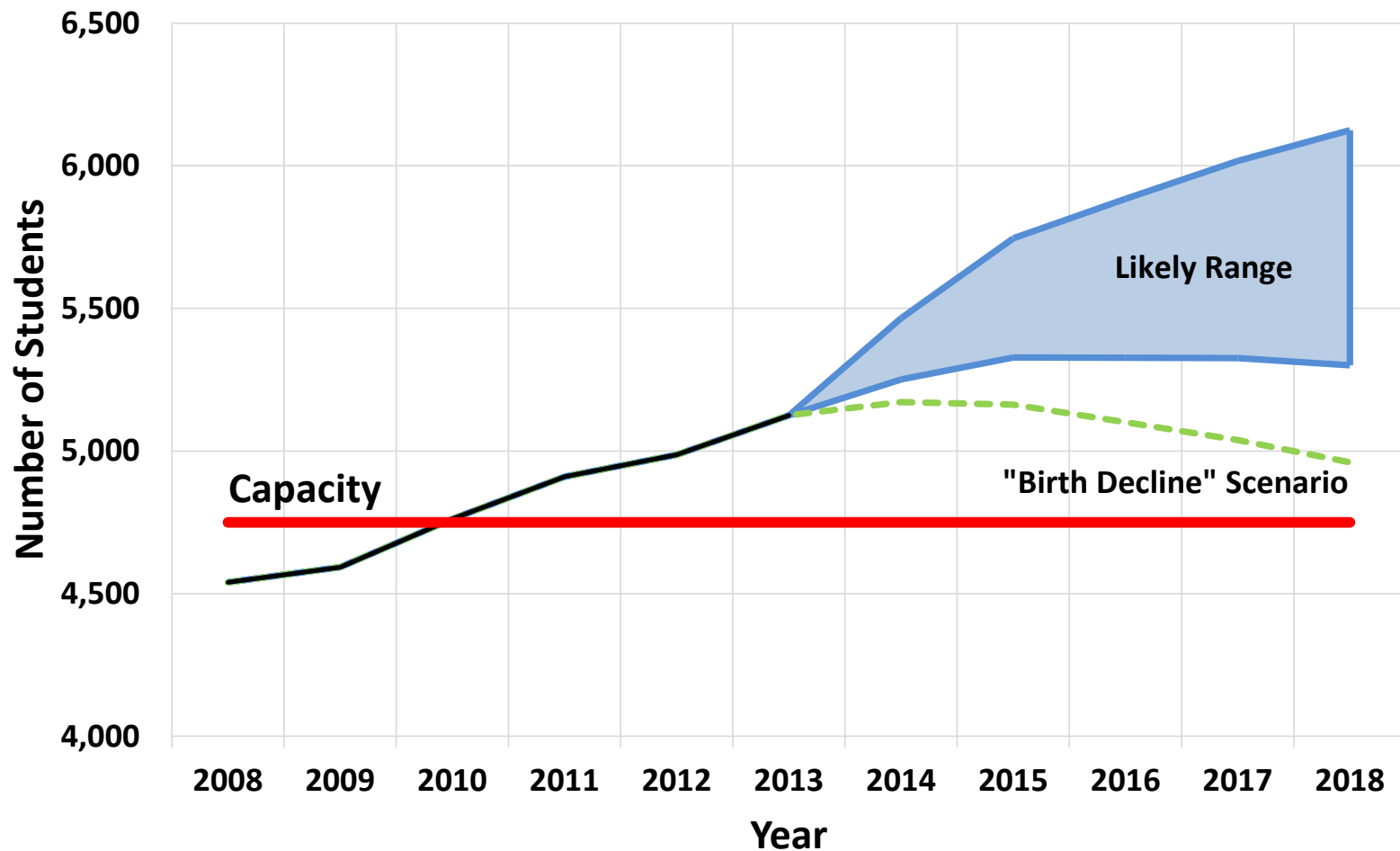
# Enrollment Growth

**Los Altos School District Enrollment**



# Demographer's Forecast

## LASD and BCS K-8 Forecast Range



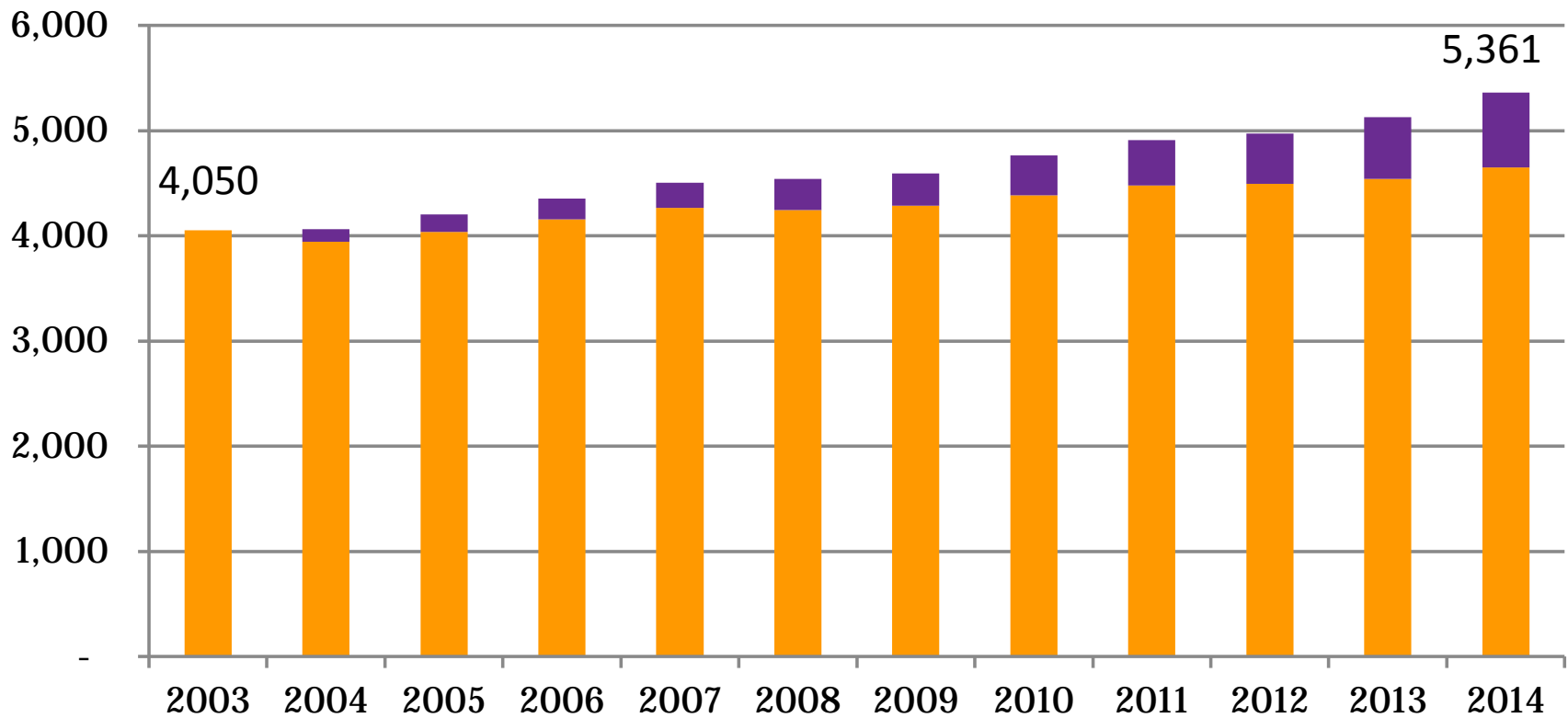
# Current Enrollments

- LASD Enrollment
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Day of School: 4,650
  - 101 more students than last year
- BCS Enrollment
  - Projected at 711
  - 71 more students than last year
- Total combined enrollment
  - 5,361 students; 172 more than last year

# Enrollment Growth

## Enrollment in Recent Years

■ LASD ■ BCS





# Future Growth

- Factors leading to continued growth in the future
  - Additional housing units being built
    - As apartment complexes age, our enrollment history shows that we get more students
  - Push for mandatory Transitional Kindergarten for all 4 year olds
    - Could generate another 300+ students
  - Housing turnover--families with children moving in

# Enrollment Growth Options

- Board determined that 2 sites is cost prohibitive and thus focus is on 1 site
- 10<sup>th</sup> Site Committee and other groups have identified possible site options
  - But without money in hand the district has little or no negotiating power
- District has two options going forward...

# Preferred Option

- Acquire 1 new site and Expand capacity at existing campuses
  - Either by moving 6<sup>th</sup> grade to junior highs
  - Or by expanding capacity at elementary schools
- Location of new site and size will largely determine how the site is used
  - For BCS or LASD school

# Examples

- District acquires 8 - 10 acre site in North of El Camino area
  - Could be used as neighborhood school
  - Could be used for BCS
  - Could be used as magnet/choice school
- District acquires 8 – 10 acre site in LAH
  - Probably not useful as neighborhood school
  - Could be used for BCS or magnet/choice school

# Examples

- District acquires 6 acre site in North of El Camino area
  - Could be used as small neighborhood school, but more likely as magnet/choice school
  - Probably could not be used for BCS
- Location and Size are key factors in determining how we could use a new site
  - Until we know location and size of site it is impossible to define exactly how a new site would be used

# Secondary Option

- If the district is unable to acquire a new site (for whatever reason) then we must use our existing assets (campuses) to deal with enrollment growth
  - Which leads to a host of questions re how best to utilize the assets
    - Including, would we need to re-draw attendance boundaries?