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MEMORANDUM

To: Members of the Board of Education  
 From: Michael J. Martirano, Ed. D.  
 Interim Superintendent  
 Subject: JumpStart Update

Per Board Member’s requests, the purpose of this memorandum is to provide you with an update on the JumpStart Initiative and its likely impact on overcrowding at the three target high schools. As of December 22, 2017, when the JumpStart survey was closed, 458 students had signed up from Centennial, Howard, and Long Reach high schools to participate in the JumpStart programs at ARL, Oakland Mills High School, or River Hill High School.

**Interest by CHS, HoHS, LRHS students in transferring to OMHS and/or RHHS for JumpStart, or taking part in the ARL Cybersecurity ECP program:**

From/To	OMHS	RHHS	BOTH	ARL	TOTAL
CHS	7	41	13	1	62
HoHS	25	81	30	0	136
LRHS	79	136	38	7	260
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>458</b>

Some students indicated potential interest in attending both Oakland Mills and River Hill high schools. Currently, counselors and central office staff members are reaching out to these students and their families to finalize which site and program each student is interested in.

**Interest of all respondents in Dual Enrollment by Program and Location (some students indicated multiple options):**

Program Type	# Interested OMHS	# Interested RHHS	Interested OMHS/RHHS	# Interested Total	% Interested Total
Flexible	92	270	19	381	45.09%
ECP – 60 Credits	61	132	13	206	24.38%
ECP – 30 Credits	248	426	201	473	55.98%

Acceleration of the JumpStart Initiative took place to decrease overcrowding at Centennial, Howard, and Long Reach high schools. Transfers of students to participate in JumpStart programs will impact the enrollment in the school they are leaving. If all 458 students (not

including siblings) attended Oakland Mills and River Hill high schools, the following chart outlines the impact on enrollment at the sending schools:

**Impact on Enrollment at each of the Overenrolled High Schools based on JumpStart:**

<b>From</b>	<b>Capacity</b>	<b>Projected SY18-19 Enrollment (before JumpStart)</b>	<b>Projected SY18-19 Enrollment (after JumpStart)</b>	<b>Impact to Capacity</b>	<b>Projected %Utilization (after JumpStart)</b>
<b>CHS</b>	<b>1,360</b>	<b>1,672</b>	<b>1,610</b>	<b>-4.56%</b>	<b>118.4%</b>
<b>HoHS</b>	<b>1,420</b>	<b>1,943</b>	<b>1,807</b>	<b>-9.58%</b>	<b>127.3%</b>
<b>LRHS</b>	<b>1,488</b>	<b>1,776</b>	<b>1,516</b>	<b>-18.4%</b>	<b>101.9%</b>

We also looked at demographic information to determine if we were successful in identifying interested students across student groups. Compared to the most recent countywide demographical data, JumpStart respondents were more likely to be African-American or Hispanic and less likely to be white than HCPSS students as a whole. JumpStart students were slightly less likely to have had IEPs or Section 504 Plans, but significantly more likely to have received ESOL services. Some of this is a function of the schools that are involved in the pilot. Applicants, especially from LRHS and OMHS, were also more likely to qualify for Free and Reduced-Price Meal services (FARMs). We are pleased with the diversity of applicants.

**Demographics of JumpStart Survey Respondents by Districted HS w/ Current HCPSS, OMHS, RHHS Demographics:**

	<b>All JumpStart</b>	<b>HCPSS</b>	<b>From CHS</b>	<b>From HoHS</b>	<b>From LRHS</b>	<b>From OMHS</b>	<b>From RHHS</b>	<b>From Others</b>
<b>(N)</b>	<b>845</b>	<b>55,638</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>92</b>
<b>Race/Ethnicity - Asian</b>	<b>23.43%</b>	21.20%	50.00%	17.65%	11.92%	8.70%	37.44%	30.43%
<b>Race/Ethnicity - African-American</b>	<b>26.86%</b>	22.80%	16.13%	36.03%	35.77%	26.09%	7.39%	39.13%
<b>Race/Ethnicity - Hispanic</b>	<b>15.86%</b>	10.40%	9.68%	5.88%	30.77%	29.35%	≤5%	6.52%
<b>Race/Ethnicity - White</b>	<b>28.40%</b>	39.10%	19.35%	32.35%	17.69%	28.26%	45.81%	20.65%
<b>Race/Ethnicity - 2 or more races</b>	<b>5.44%</b>	6.20%	≤5%	8.09%	≤5%	7.61%	≤5%	≤5%
<b>IEP/504 or Released</b>	<b>7.93%</b>	8.80%	6.45%	8.82%	6.54%	13.04%	5.91%	10.87%
<b>ESOL or Released</b>	<b>13.25%</b>	≤5%	14.52%	5.88%	22.31%	26.09%	≤5%	≤5%
<b>FARMs</b>	<b>23.79%</b>	21.50%	11.29%	9.56%	49.62%	33.70%	≤5%	20.65%

Additionally, sibling information was gathered to estimate how many younger siblings might elect to follow their older brothers and sisters to the JumpStart high school.

**Trailing siblings of CHS, HoHS, and LRHS students interested in transferring to OMHS and/or RHHS for JumpStart:**

<b>Siblings Only</b>	<b>OMHS</b>	<b>RHHS</b>	<b>BOTH</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>CHS</b>	4	25	8	<b>37</b>
<b>HoHS</b>	12	34	8	<b>54</b>
<b>LRHS</b>	35	74	25	<b>134</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>225</b>

**Combined totals of students and trailing siblings from CHS, HoHS, and LRHS interested in transferring to OMHS and/or RHHS for JumpStart:**

<b>Transfers &amp; Siblings</b>	<b>OMHS</b>	<b>RHHS</b>	<b>BOTH</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>CHS</b>	11	66	21	<b>98</b>
<b>HoHS</b>	37	115	38	<b>190</b>
<b>LRHS</b>	114	210	63	<b>387</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>391</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>675</b>

Due to the high level of interest in the JumpStart program, we do not believe we need to continue registering students, nor will we proceed with directed open enrollment to address underenrollment at Oakland Mills and River Hill High Schools.

We then analyzed whether there would be a need for a lottery. River Hill High School has a projected enrollment of 1,202 and a capacity of 1,488 students. Therefore there are 286 available seats at River Hill if 100% capacity utilization is the target. As we are open to advancing enrollment to 110% of capacity that would add 148 seats, for a total of 434 potential seats at River Hill. River Hill is a particularly good choice for student transfer because enrollment is expected to continue to decrease with a projected enrollment in 2022 of 1,158 without JumpStart transfer students.

Oakland Mills High School has a projected enrollment of 1,141 and a capacity of 1,400 students. Therefore there are 259 available seats at Oakland Mills if 100% capacity is the target. As we are open to advancing enrollment to 110% of capacity that would add 140 seats, for a total of 399 potential seats at Oakland Mills. We should also keep in mind we do not want to reach 110% capacity at Oakland Mills because enrollment is expected to continue to increase with projected enrollment in 2022 of 1,354 without JumpStart transfer students.

So with the up to 434 potential seats at River Hill High School and the fewer than 399 potential seats at Oakland Mills High School, we will be able to accommodate all of the applicants and siblings between the two schools. Some JumpStart transfer students will also graduate from high school prior to some of the siblings enrolling in high school. Additionally, some students have begun to decline JumpStart and some siblings will elect to not follow a sibling. We anticipate approximately 10% of students who applied will not participate in JumpStart. For these reasons, we feel confident all interested students will have a place at either Oakland Mills or River Hill High School and that a lottery is not needed.

As we receive confirmations, we will be able to determine entry year for the siblings of the

participants; this will give us a better sense of the total number of transferring students at OMHS and RHHS by year of enrollment. The week of January 15, 2018, we plan to send out letters with the students' selected site and program decisions and request that parents respond by January 24, 2018 with a confirmation of the choices. We plan to finalize participants by the first week of February. We are excited to be moving forward and will continue regular updates as more information becomes available.

For more information regarding the JumpStart program, please contact Dr. Caroline Walker, Director, Program Innovation.

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