

BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

DATE: March 23, 2010

TO: **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

FROM: Dr. Joe A. Hairston

SUBJECT: **CONSIDERATION OF THE PROPOSED BOUNDARY FOR WEST TOWSON ELEMENTARY AND THE PROPOSED BOUNDARY CHANGES FOR RODGERS FORGE AND RIDERWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS**

ORIGINATOR: Barbara Walker, Central Area Assistant Superintendent

RESOURCE PERSON(S): Michele Prumo, Executive Director, Department of Planning and Support Operations

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education approves Scenario G with the modification as the new boundaries for West Towson, Rodgers Forge, and Riderwood Elementary Schools.

The Board of Education's public hearing on the proposed boundaries was held on Wednesday, March 10, 2010, at Loch Raven High School.

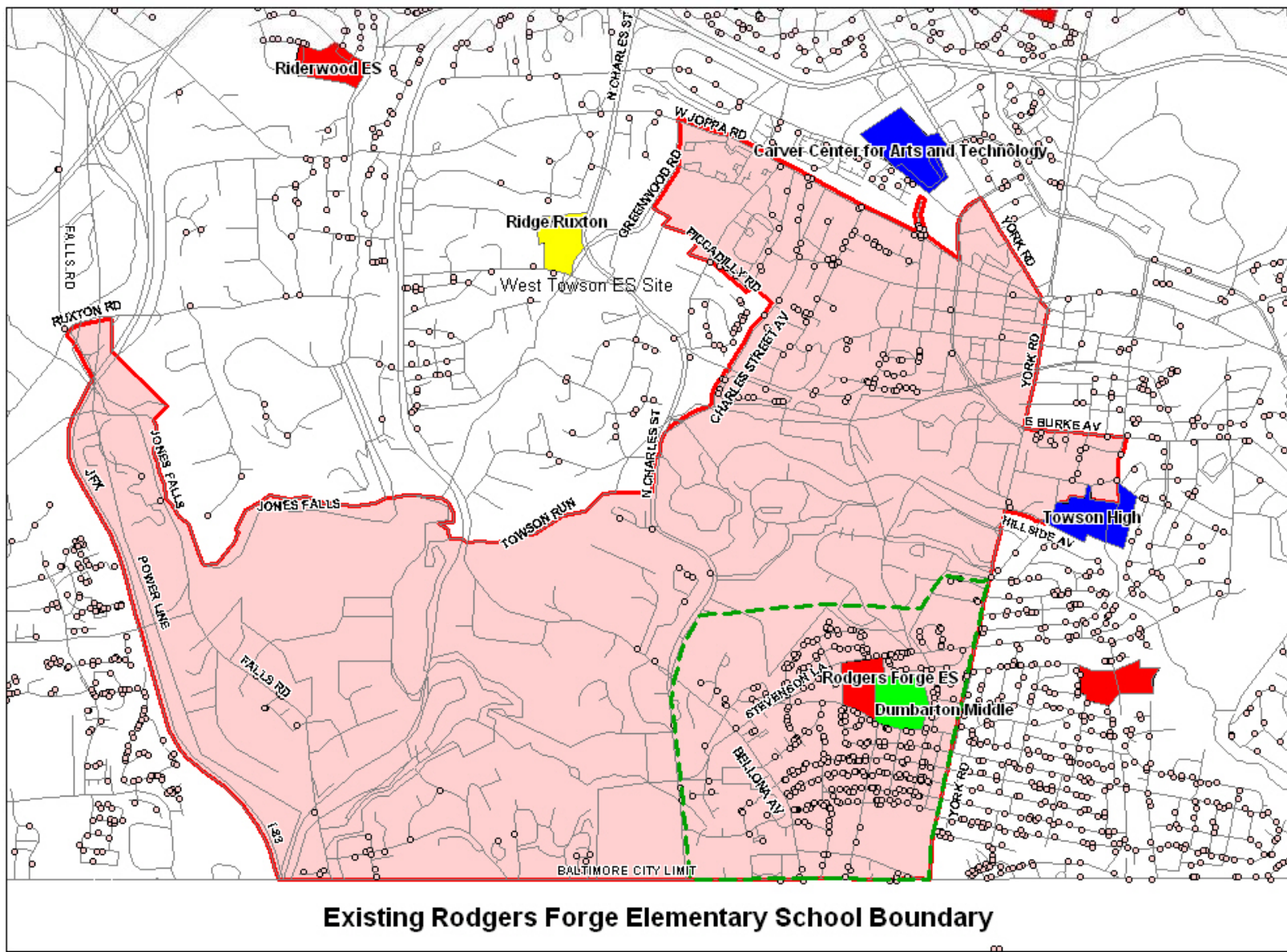
Attachment I – Scenario G with modifications



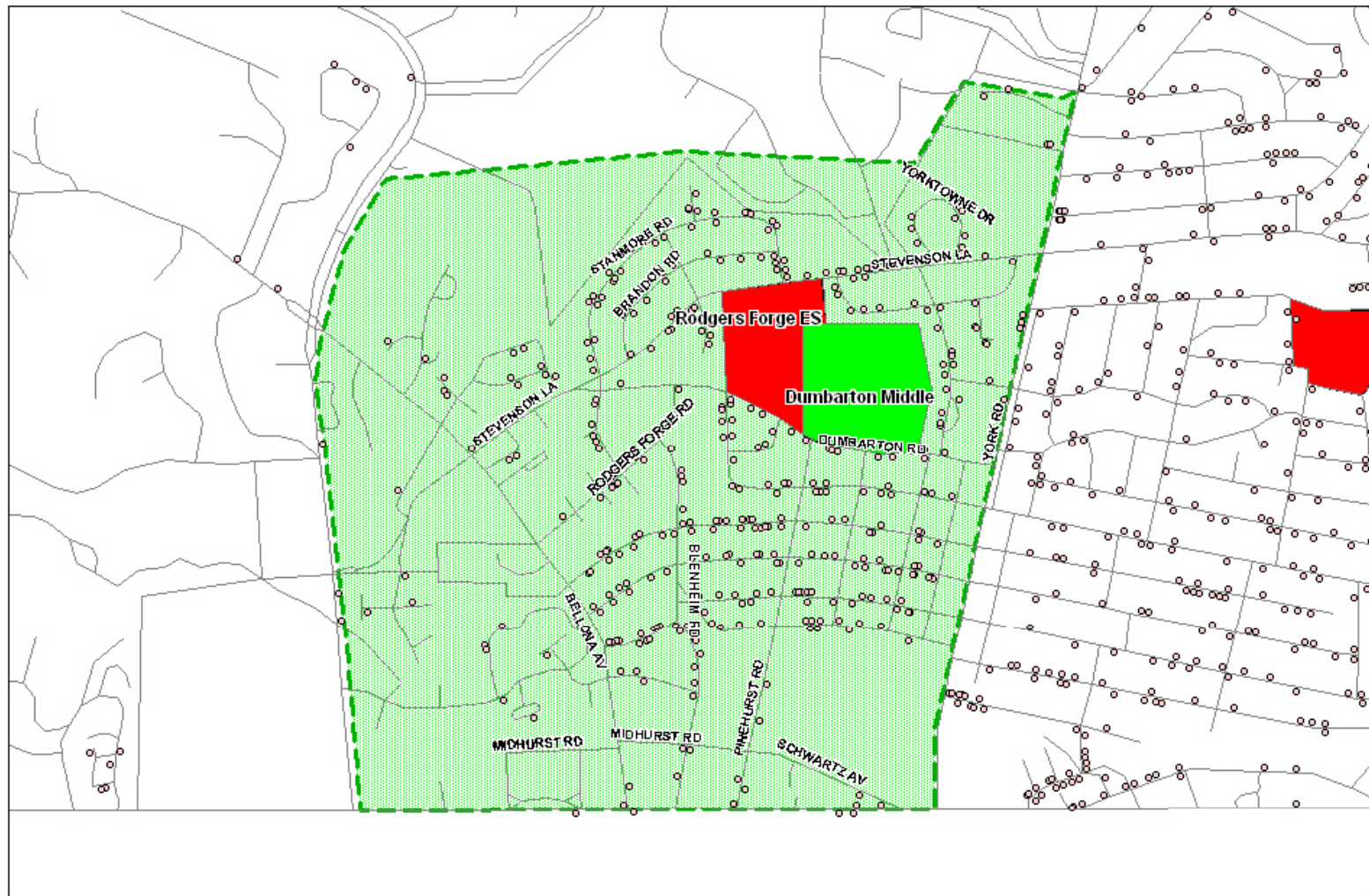
West Towson Elementary School Boundary Recommendation Presentation
Wednesday, February 17, 2010

West Towson and Neighboring Cluster School Information: 9/30/09

School (* = Full-Day K)	*	9/30/09 Enrl.	9/30/09 FTE Enrl.	State Cap. 2009	Number Students +/- St. Cap.	% of State Rated Capacity
Hampton	*	451	446	307	139	145.28%
Riderwood	*	542	542	463	79	117.06%
Rodgers Forge	*	722	718	396	322	181.31%
Elementary Totals		1715	1706	1166	540	146.31%



Rodgers Forge Elementay School Walking Boundary



Issues Related to Redistricting the Greater Rodgers Forge Area



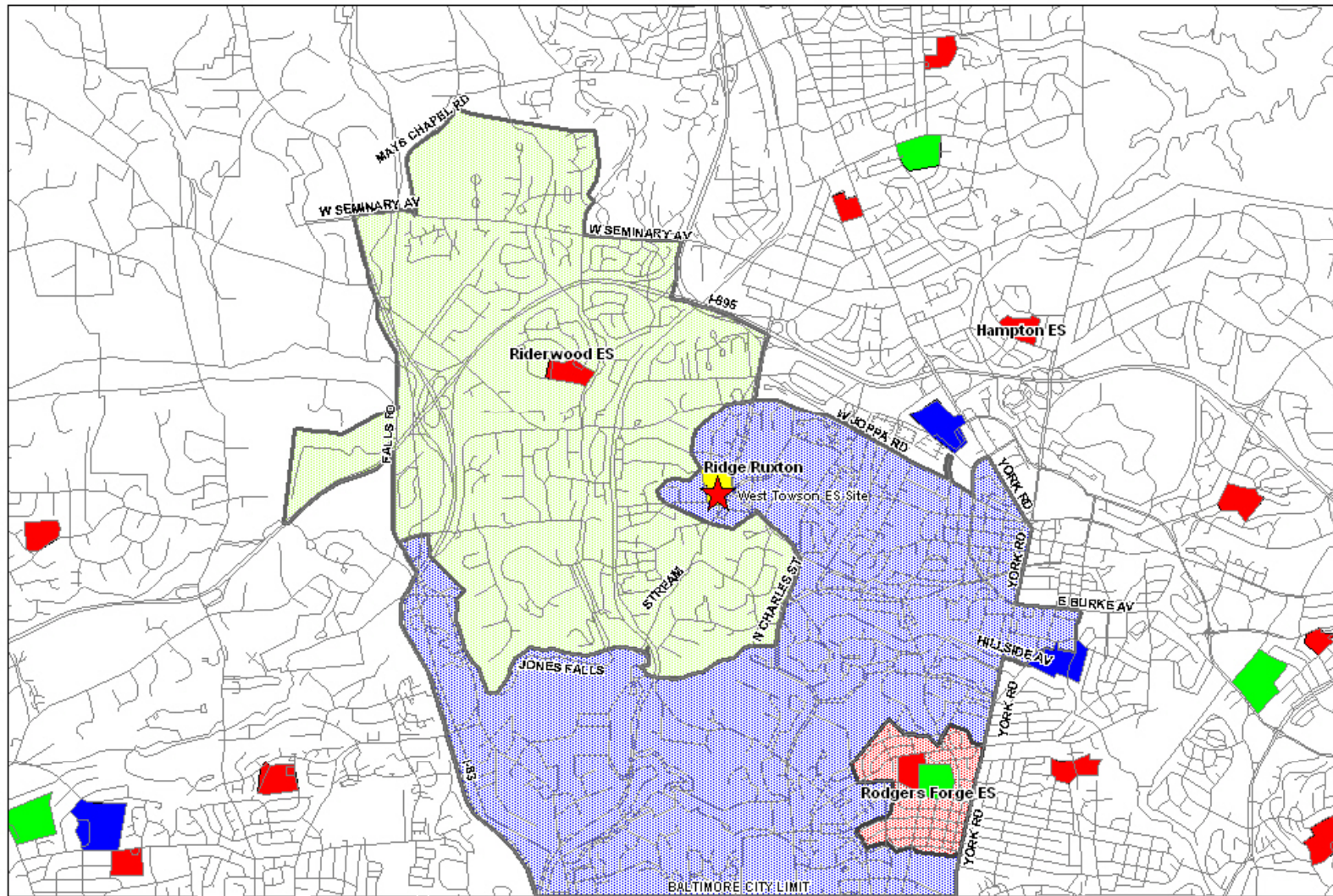
Students Attending would be 460, 116.16% of capacity

Timeline of Boundary Change Process

- Mid-April Welcoming letters are sent to children and families affected by boundary changes
- March 23, 2010 Board of Education decision on new boundaries (rescheduled from March 9, 2010)
- March 10, 2010 Board hearing to elicit public input into the proposed recommendation (rescheduled from February 24, 2010)
- February 17, 2010 Presentation to the board on the recommendation for the proposed boundary changes (rescheduled from February 9, 2010)
- January 20, 2010 Meeting of the West Towson Boundary Study Committee to recommend a preferred scenario
- January 6, 2010 Public forum
- December 23, 2009 Consideration by committee of additional information on scenarios
- December 16, 2009 Boundary study committee's further review of proposed scenarios for the public forum
- December 2, 2009 Continued development and evaluation of hypothetical boundary change scenarios
- November 18, 2009 Introduction of hypothetical boundary change scenarios
- October 28, 2009 Initial meeting and introduction of the boundary change process

Community Forum, January 6, 2010

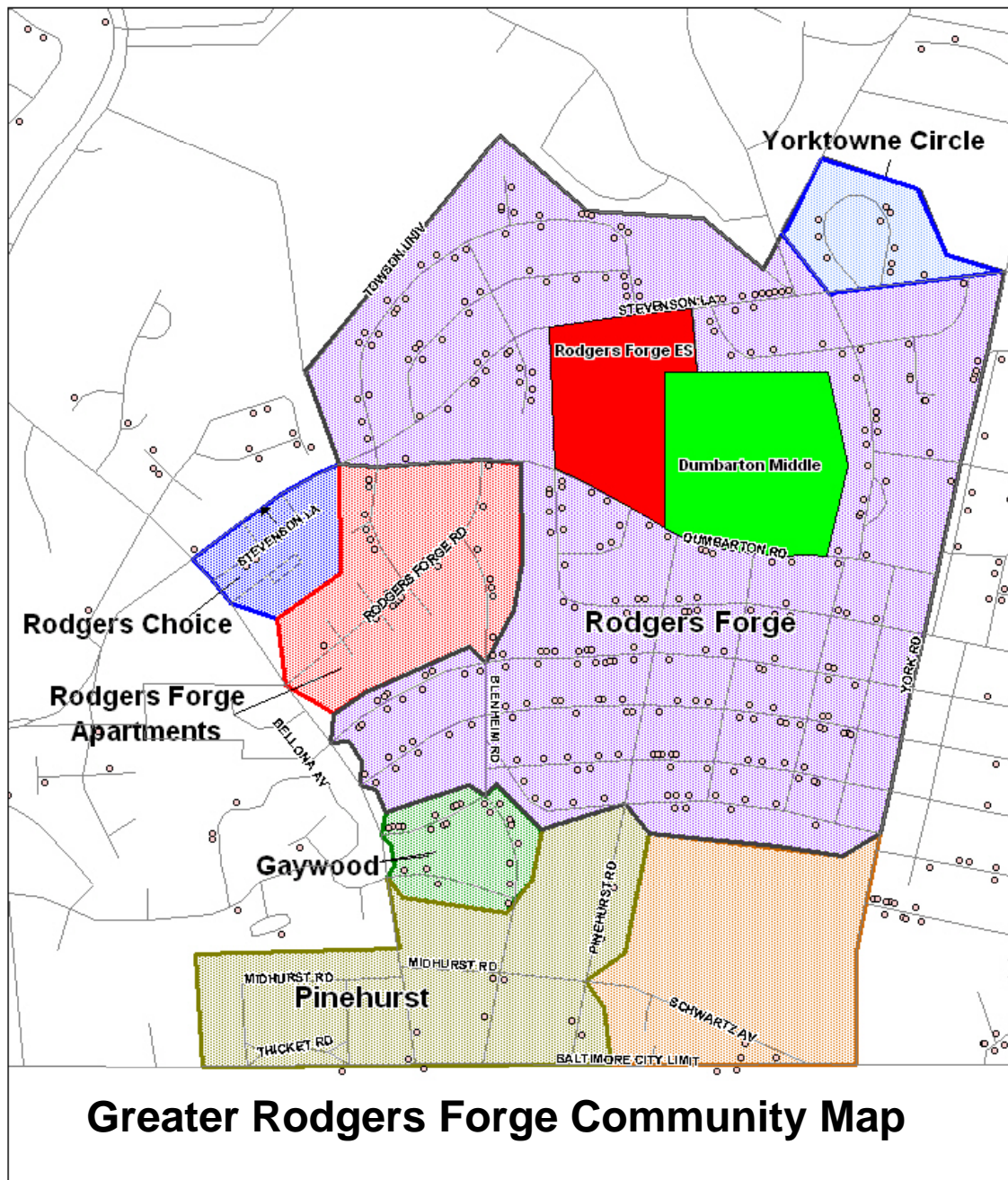




West Towson "G" Modified Scenario: Riderwood, Rodgers Forge, and West Towson Boundaries

The Attributes of Scenario G Modified

- 70% of the community members who served on the boundary study committee supported this option
- Students living directly adjacent to West Towson ES will attend the school
- All seven neighborhoods that make up the Greater Rodgers Forge Community remain intact
- West Towson ES opens at 87% of capacity which is the lowest capacity of the proposed boundary scenarios
- Rodgers Forge ES student population is reduced from 722 to 369 (181.3% of capacity to 93.2% of capacity)
- Riderwood ES student population is reduced from 542 to 495 (117% of capacity to 106.9% of capacity)



What if Scenario G, Modified was in effect this year?

	The Enrollment Picture					
Current Cluster Schools	State Rated Capacity '09	Total Enrollment 9/30/09	FTE Enrollment 9/30/09	Number Over/Under Capacity	FTE Enrol. as % of Capacity	% Minority Enrollment
Rodgers Forge ES	396	372	369	-27	93.18%	14.52%
Riderwood ES	463	496	495	32	106.91%	11.47%
Hampton ES	307	451	446	139	145.28%	27.05%
West Towson ES	451	396	396	-55	87.80%	22.22%
	1617	1715	1706	89	105.50%	18.82%

*Hampton addition pending

West Towson ES



Riderwood ES



Rodgers Forge ES

