



# COMPREHENSIVE LONG RANGE FACILITIES PLAN

## APS FORWARD 2040: RESHAPING THE FUTURE OF EDUCATION

**ATLANTA PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

**Facility Recommendations**

**October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

# APS 2040 – Facility Recommendations

This presentation outlines the facility recommendations that will be given to the Board as a first read on November 5<sup>th</sup>. Recommendations are broken into the following categories:

- **School Repurposing** – Maximize facility usage for student and community good
- **Academic & Program Initiatives** – Expand access to high-interest and workforce-ready offerings (Career Programs and Pathways). Explore specialized and innovative school models (School of the Arts).
- **Investments** – New construction and capacity additions

# Strategic Plan Alignment – System is Efficient & Effective

## **School Repurposing (in alphabetical order)**

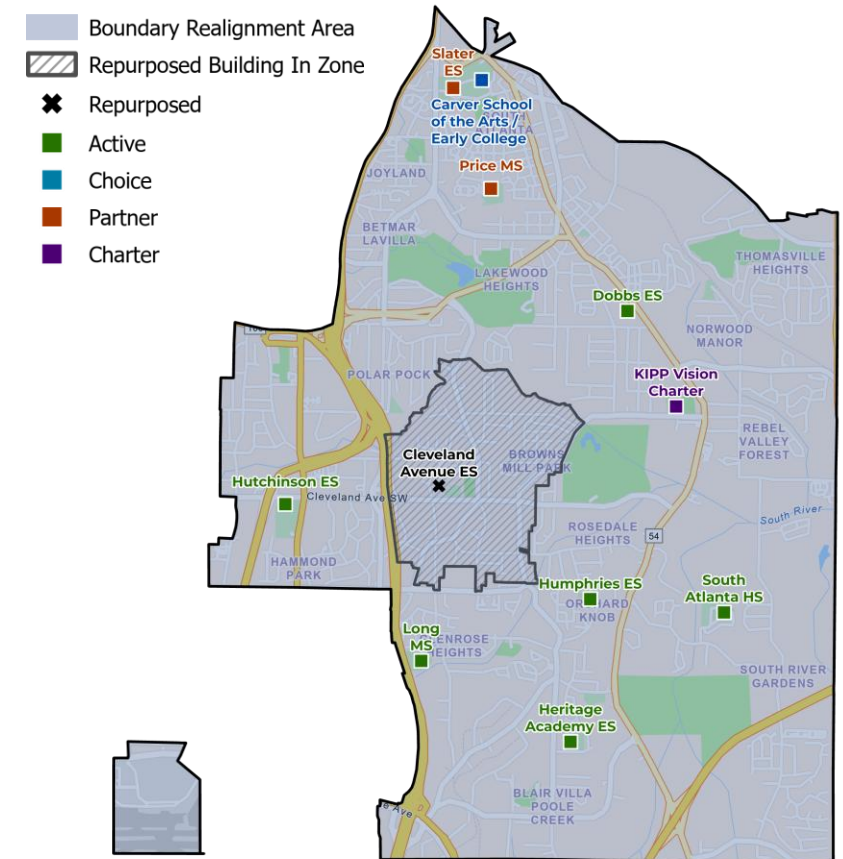
- **Cleveland ES**
- **Continental Colony ES**
- **Douglass HS 9th**
- **Dunbar ES**
- **F L Stanton ES**
- **Finch ES**
- **Jackson Primary ES**
- **KIPP Soul Primary (charter)**
- **KIPP Soul Academy (charter)**
- **Perkerson ES**
- **Peyton Forest ES**
- **Scott ES**
- **Smith Intermediate ES**
- **Sylvan MS (convert to ES)**
- **Toomer ES Annex**
- **Usher Collier ES**

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## School Repurposing

### Cleveland ES – Recommendation

- Maintenance improvements to Dobbs ES, Heritage Academy ES, Humphries ES and Hutchinson ES
- Repurpose Cleveland ES (closes as PK-5 spring 2027)
- Elementary boundary realignment within the feeder pattern
- Operational savings of \$1.5m - \$2m+ annually
- Potential deferred maintenance cost avoidance of \$4.5m
- Capacity reduction of 575 seats

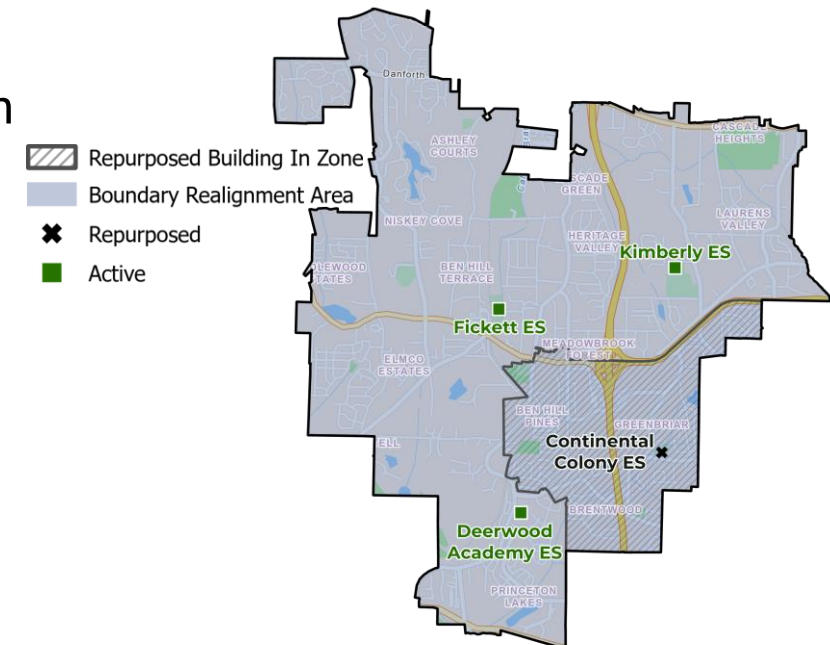


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## School Repurposing

### Continental Colony ES – Recommendation

- Maintenance improvements to Deerwood Academy ES, Fickett ES, and Kimberly ES
- Repurpose Continental Colony ES (closes as PK-5 spring 2027)
- Elementary boundary realignment within the feeder pattern
- Operational savings of \$1.5m - \$2m+ annually
- Potential deferred maintenance cost avoidance of \$7.1m
- Capacity reduction of 500 seats

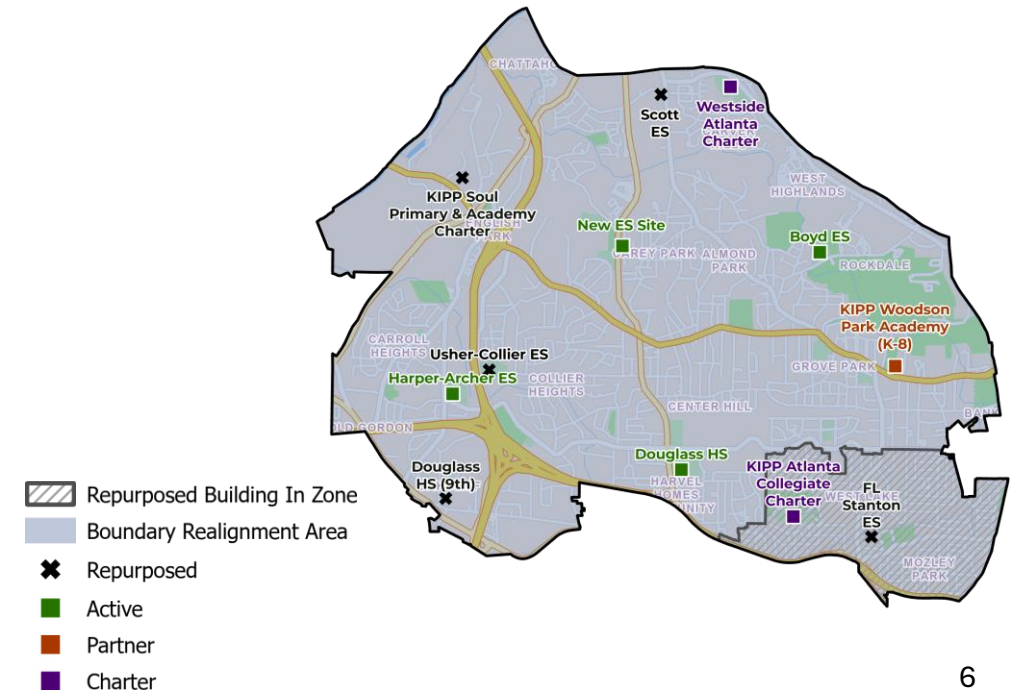


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## School Repurposing

### Douglass HS 9<sup>th</sup> Grade – Recommendation

- Douglass HS 9<sup>th</sup> grade building repurposed (closes as 9<sup>th</sup> grade anticipated spring 2027)
- Douglass HS converts to a 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade building
- Operational savings of \$0.5m+ annually
- Potential deferred maintenance cost avoidance of \$8m
- Capacity reduction of 625 seats

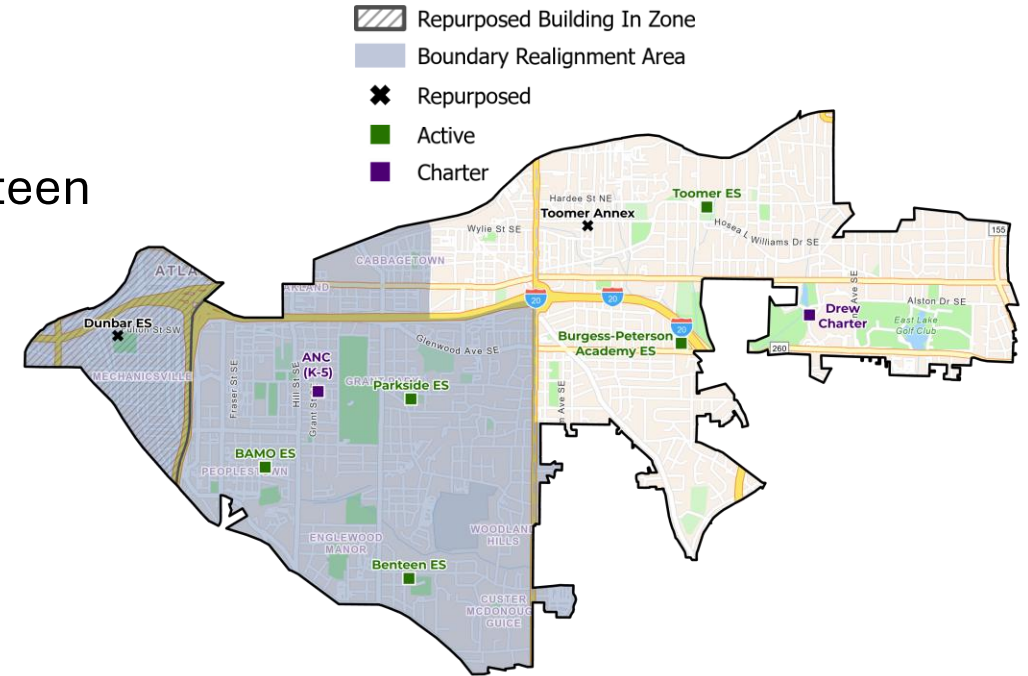


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## School Repurposing

### Dunbar ES – Recommendation

- Maintenance improvements to BAMO ES, Benteen ES and Parkside ES
- Repurpose Dunbar ES (closes as PK-5 spring 2027)
- Elementary boundary realignment between BAMO, Benteen, Dunbar & Parkside
- Operational savings of \$1.5m - \$2m+ annually
- Potential deferred maintenance cost avoidance of \$9m
- Capacity reduction of 450 seats

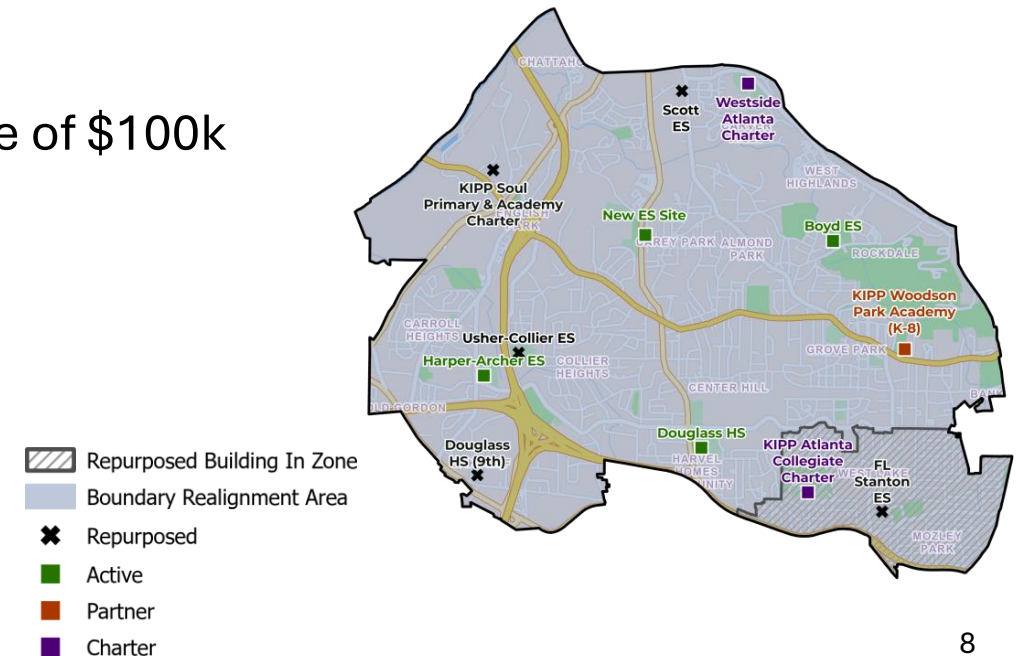


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## School Repurposing

### F L Stanton ES – Recommendation

- Repurpose F L Stanton ES (closes as PK-5 spring 2027)
- Maintenance improvements to M A Jones ES and Hollis Academy (K-8)
- Portion of attendance area moves to Washington Cluster
- Elementary boundary realignment within the Douglass Cluster along with the repurpose of Usher Collier ES and Scott ES (Requires ESPLOST funding)
- Operational savings of \$1.5m - \$2m+ annually
- Potential deferred maintenance cost avoidance of \$100k
- Capacity reduction of 400 seats

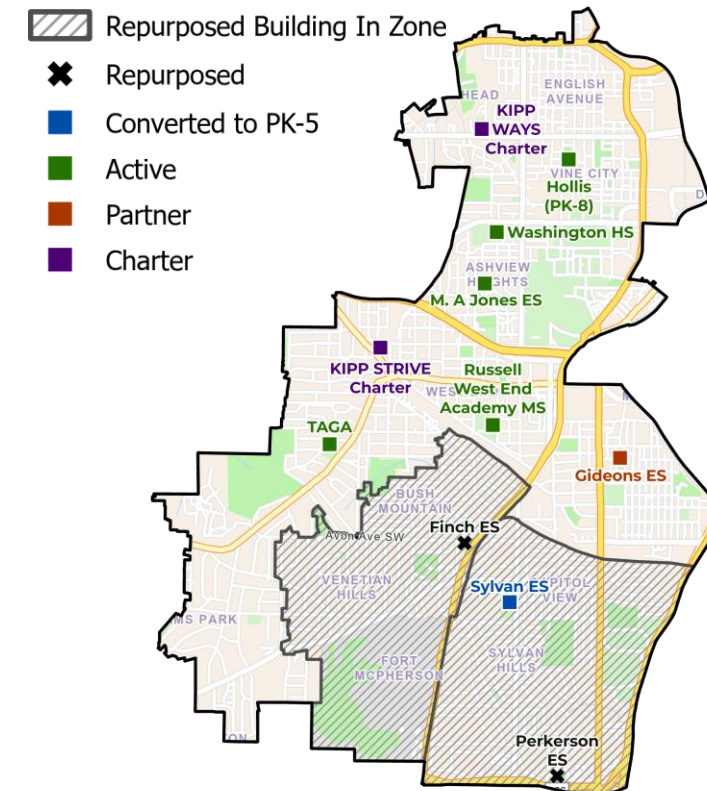


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## School Repurposing

### Finch ES & Perkerson ES – Recommendation

- Repurpose Finch ES and Perkerson ES (close as PK-5 spring 2028)
- Finch ES and Perkerson ES combined at converted Sylvan building (anticipated fall 2028)
  - Maintenance improvements and renovations to convert Sylvan MS to an elementary school (close as 6-8 spring 2027)
  - K-12 students in area move to Washington Cluster
- Operational savings of \$3m - \$4m+ annually
- Potential deferred maintenance cost avoidance of \$15.2m
- Capacity reduction of 1,350 seats

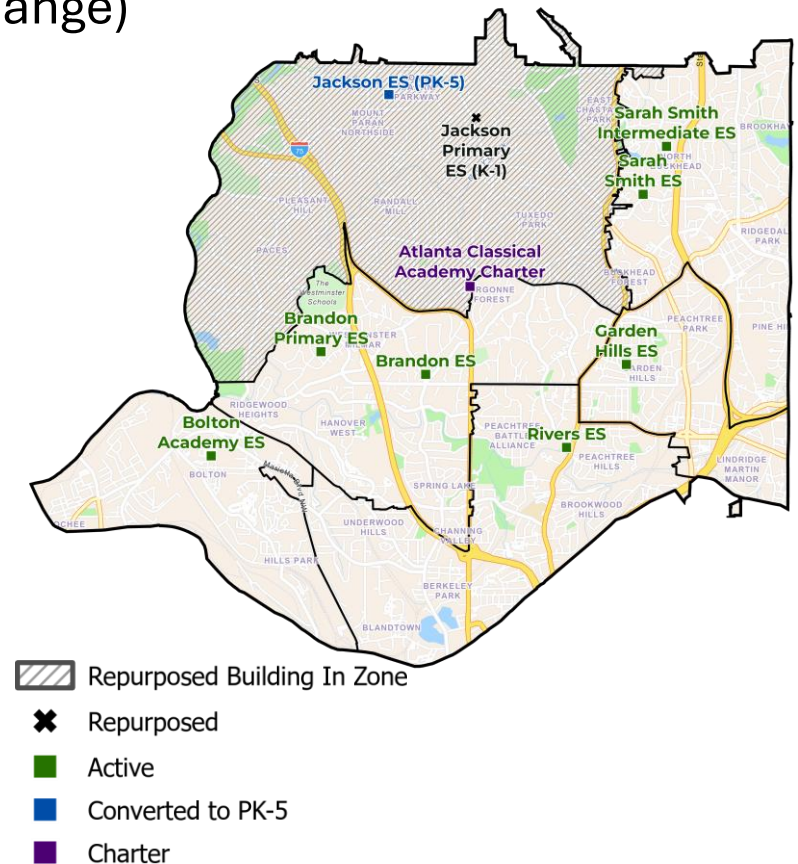


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## School Repurposing

### Jackson Primary ES – Recommendation

- Jackson Primary ES repurposed (closes as PK-5 anticipated spring 2027)
- Jackson Main converted to PK-5 building (no boundary change)
- Operational savings of \$1.5m - \$2m+ annually
- Potential deferred maintenance cost avoidance of \$1.5m
- Capacity reduction of 350 seats

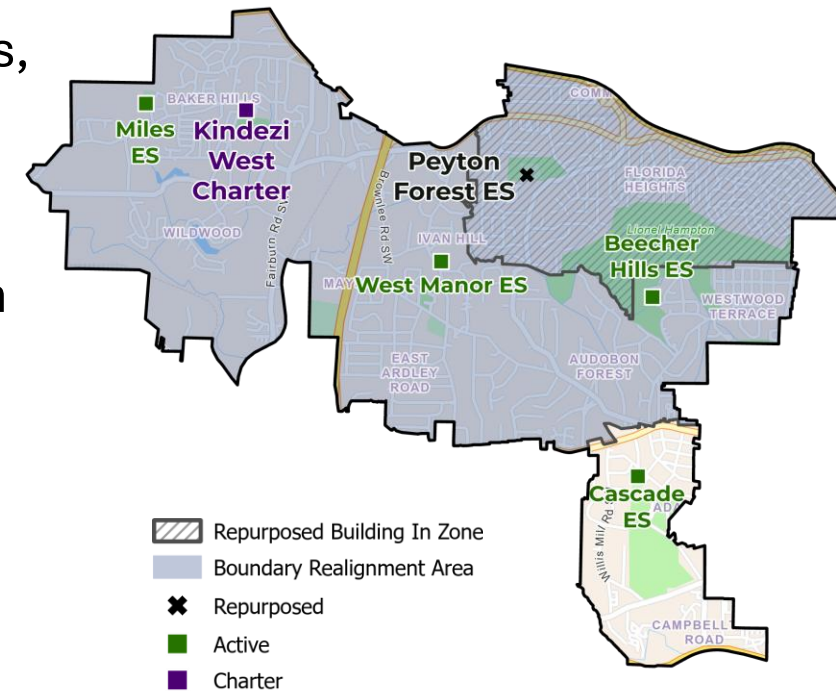


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## School Repurposing

### Peyton Forest ES – Recommendation

- Maintenance improvements to Beecher Hills ES, Miles ES and West Manor ES
- Repurpose Peyton Forest ES (closes as PK-5 spring 2027)
- Elementary boundary realignment between Beecher Hills, Miles, Peyton Forest and West Manor
- Operational savings of \$1.5m - \$2m+ annually
- Potential deferred maintenance cost avoidance of \$6.4m
- Capacity reduction of 500 seats

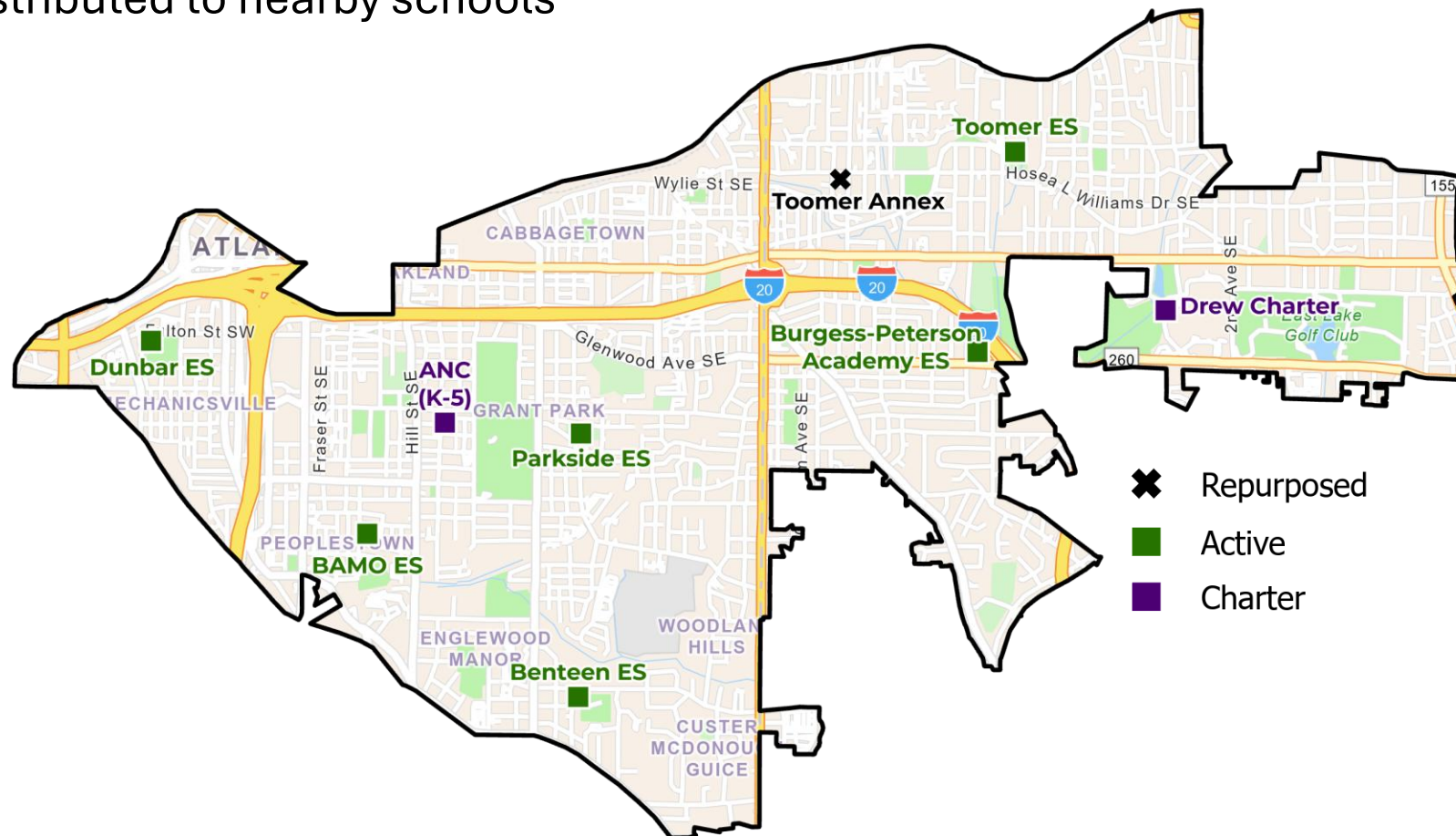


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## School Repurposing

### Toomer ES Annex – Recommendation

- Toomer Annex repurposed (anticipated spring 2027) and Pre-K classes redistributed to nearby schools



## Strategic Plan Alignment -

Expand access to high-interest and workforce-ready offerings.

Explore specialized and innovative school models.

### Academic & Program Initiatives

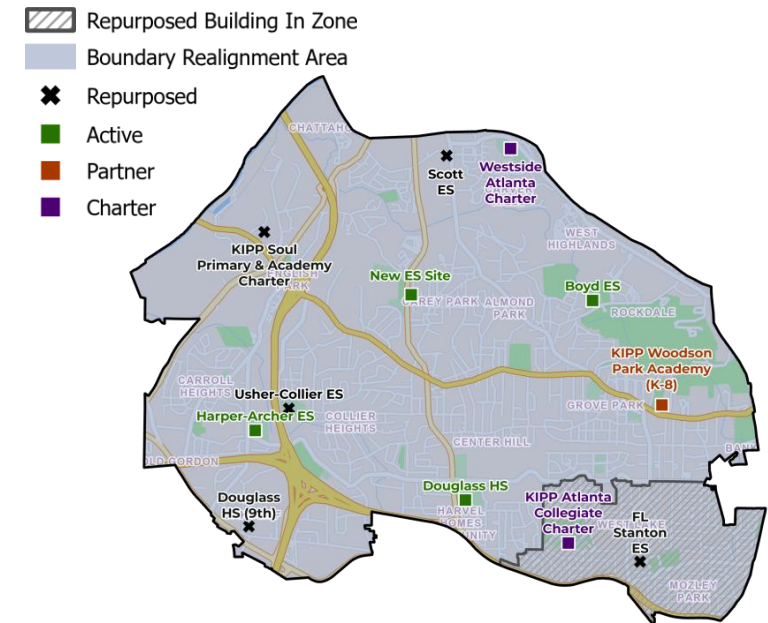
- **Carver Early College** facility converts to a 6th-12th grade District-wide School of the Arts & an Early College HS (**Priority Project in next ESPLOST**)
  - District-wide choice for Early College will begin in 2027, not dependent on renovations for facility
  - School of the Arts will require facility renovation that align to program requirements (to be developed)
  - Elementary feeder schools will be assigned to adjacent clusters (Washington and South Atlanta)
- **Washington HS** remains a HS Cluster offering district-wide choice into select CTAE / ACCA courses offering Accelerated Diploma pathways; Expand STEAM Programming w/Medical Pathways (**Priority Project in next ESPLOST**)

# Facility Investments – Build New Elementary School

## School Repurposing & Investments (Requires ESPLOST FUNDING)

### Usher Collier ES & Scott ES - Recommendation

- Build new 700-900 seat Elementary School on A.D. Williams site and combine Usher Collier ES and Scott ES
- Repurpose Usher Collier ES and Scott ES
- Net operational savings of \$1.5m - \$2m+ annually
- Potential deferred maintenance cost avoidance of \$11m
- Net capacity reduction of 400-600 seats

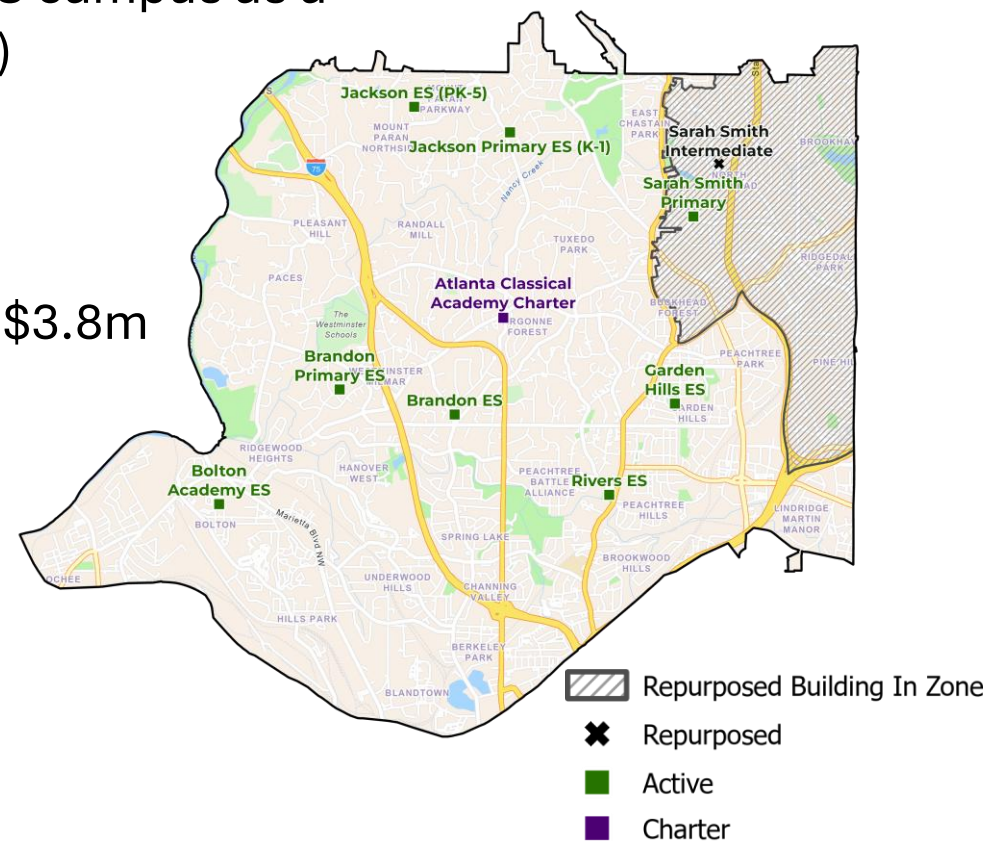


# Facility Investments – Renovate or Rebuild ES

## School Repurposing & Investments (Requires ESPLOST Funding)

### Smith Intermediate ES – Recommendation

- Renovation/Addition or Rebuild at Smith Primary ES campus as a 900-1,000 seat PK-5 building (no boundary change)
- Smith Intermediate ES repurposed
- Operational savings of \$1.5m - \$2m+ annually
- Potential deferred maintenance cost avoidance of \$3.8m
- Net capacity reduction of 75-175 seats



# **Facility Investments**

## **Investments (Requires ESPLOST Funding)**

### **Recommendation - Maynard Jackson HS Addition**

- 300 capacity addition with capability to expand to 600 in the future. Core spaces will be expanded to handle 600 additional students.
- Boundary remains the same
- Future growth beyond current addition capacity will require feeder boundary change, in accordance with Board boundary policy

### **Recommendation - Midtown HS Addition**

- 300 capacity addition
- Boundary remains the same
- Future growth beyond current addition capacity will require feeder boundary change, in accordance with Board boundary policy

### **Recommendation - King MS Addition**

- 200 capacity addition
- Boundary remains the same
- Future growth beyond current addition capacity will require feeder boundary change, in accordance with Board boundary policy

## Resulting Data – Operational Savings, Cost Avoidance & Capacity Reduction

- Estimated Annual Operational Savings \$20m - \$25m
- Estimated Potential Deferred Maintenance Savings - \$65m
- Estimated capacity reduction of 5,200 seats
- Estimated elementary utilization improvement from 66.7% to 78.2%

\*Does not account for any additional operating or maintenance costs of new construction

\*\*Deferred Maintenance reflects critical systems (i.e. HVAC, Roof) and does not include enhancements to support academic programming