

**GREATER VICTORIA SCHOOL DISTRICT
VIC HIGH BACKGROUNDER
March 15, 2018**

Vic High

- Located at 1260 Grant Street, Vic High opened May 1, 1914
- The building is approximately 15,000 square metres
- Several renovations have occurred over the years, with the most recent being the addition of the Fairey Technical Building in 2011.
- Current enrolment is 850 students in grades nine to 12
- Capacity is 850 students

Long- Term Facilities Plan

The Greater Victoria School District Long Term Facilities Plan guides the capital investment decisions for supporting a long-term vision for the District. This plan takes into consideration:

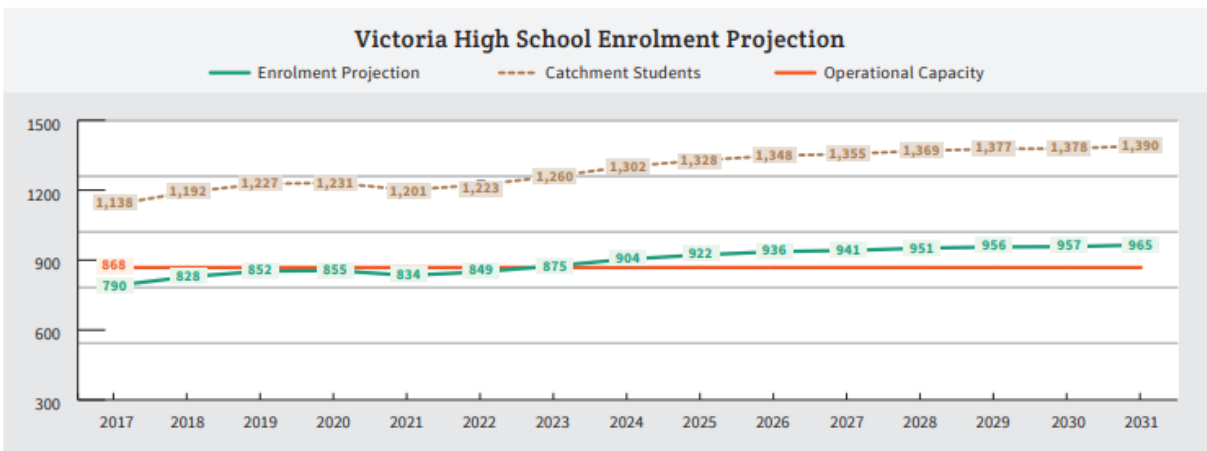
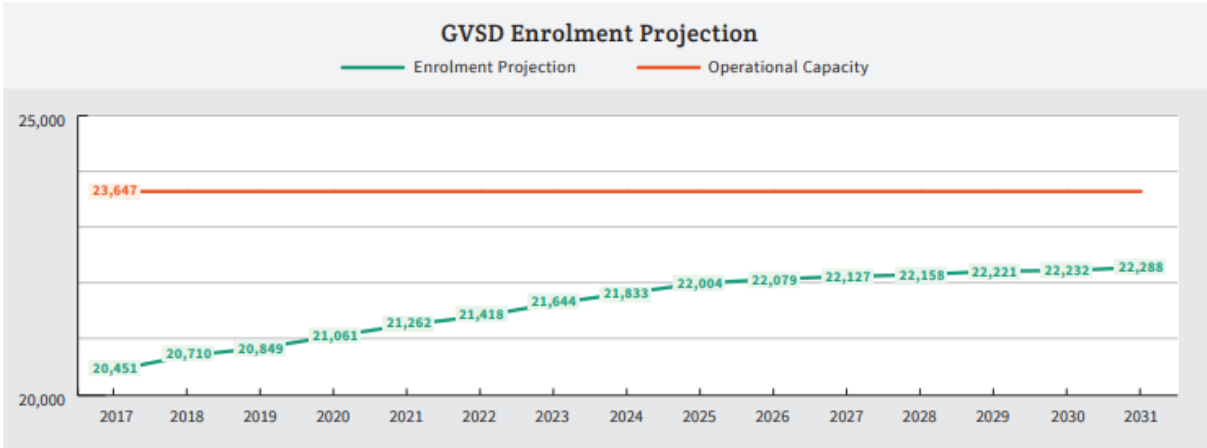
1. Demographics, Utilization and Capacity
2. Programming and Future Needs
3. Facility Condition
4. Community Partnership and Enterprise
5. Land and Leasing
6. Appendices - School Specific Information

Facilities Plan available here: https://www.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/91/2018/03/GVSD61_LongTermFacilitiesPlan_FINAL_20171103.pdf

School specific information – Vic High (page 135) available here: www.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/91/2018/03/GVSD61_LongTermFacilitiesPlan_APPENDICES_FINAL.pdf

Student Enrolment

- After many years of declining enrolment, student enrolment is increasing across the District. Total student enrolment is projected to increase by 1,270 students within five years, 2,090 students within 10 years, and 2,300 students within 15 years.
- There are currently 300 students in the Vic High neighbourhood catchment that cannot be accommodated at the school.



Capacity and Utilization:

Seismic Upgrades in Greater Victoria Schools:

The BC Seismic Ranking Program ranks Vic High as High 1 (H1) defined as “Most vulnerable structure; at highest risk of widespread damage or structural failure; not repairable after event. Structural and non-structural seismic upgrades required.”

The government is only approving projects to structurally upgrade schools that have a “High” risk rating (High 1, High 2 or High 3). The structural upgrade work will also correct any non- structural deficiencies at these high-risk locations. 27 schools in the Greater Victoria School District were originally identified as being high risk. 17 schools have been seismically upgraded. 10 remain.

Range of Possibilities:

Seismic with interior renovations and upgraded building systems:

- \$40 M (+ Reserve) = \$60-70 Million Range

Retain the exterior and rebuild interior:

- \$74 M (+ Reserve) = \$100-110 Million Range

New school for students (with increased capacity for 200 more students):

- \$47 M (+ Reserve) = \$50-60 Million Range

Greater Victoria School District

- The Greater Victoria School District serves students from Victoria, Esquimalt, View Royal, Oak Bay, parts of Saanich and the Highlands, the Esquimalt Nation and the Songhees Nation.
- The District is proud to provide quality education for approximately 19,000 students in 27 elementary schools, 10 middle schools, and seven secondary schools. Each year, over 650 adult learners register with the Continuing Education Program. The District also offers a variety of Programs of Choice and three Elementary Schools of Choice.