

Victoria High School: *Planning* for the Future

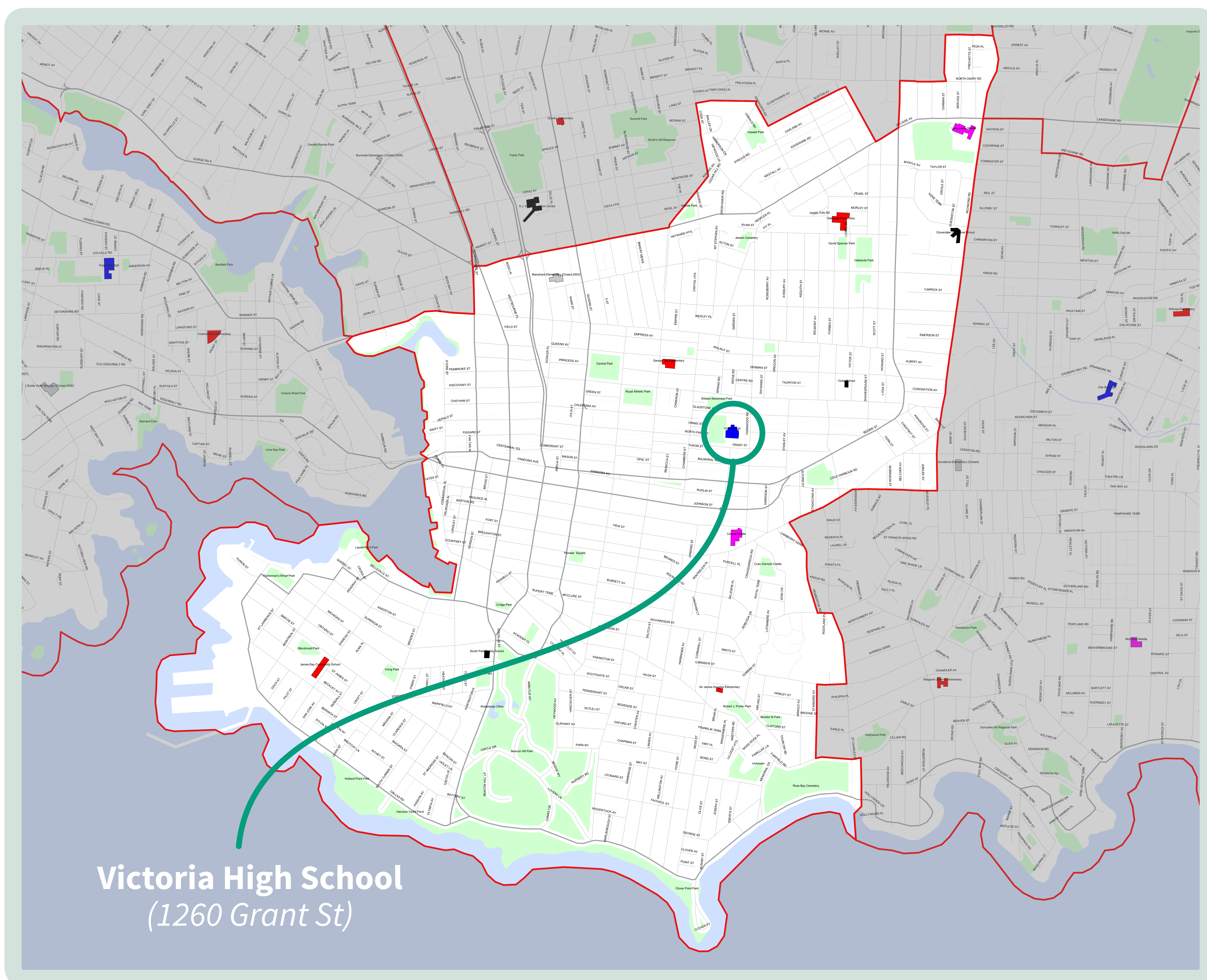


Victoria High School

- Located at 1260 Grant Street, Victoria High School 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

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Current Catchment Area

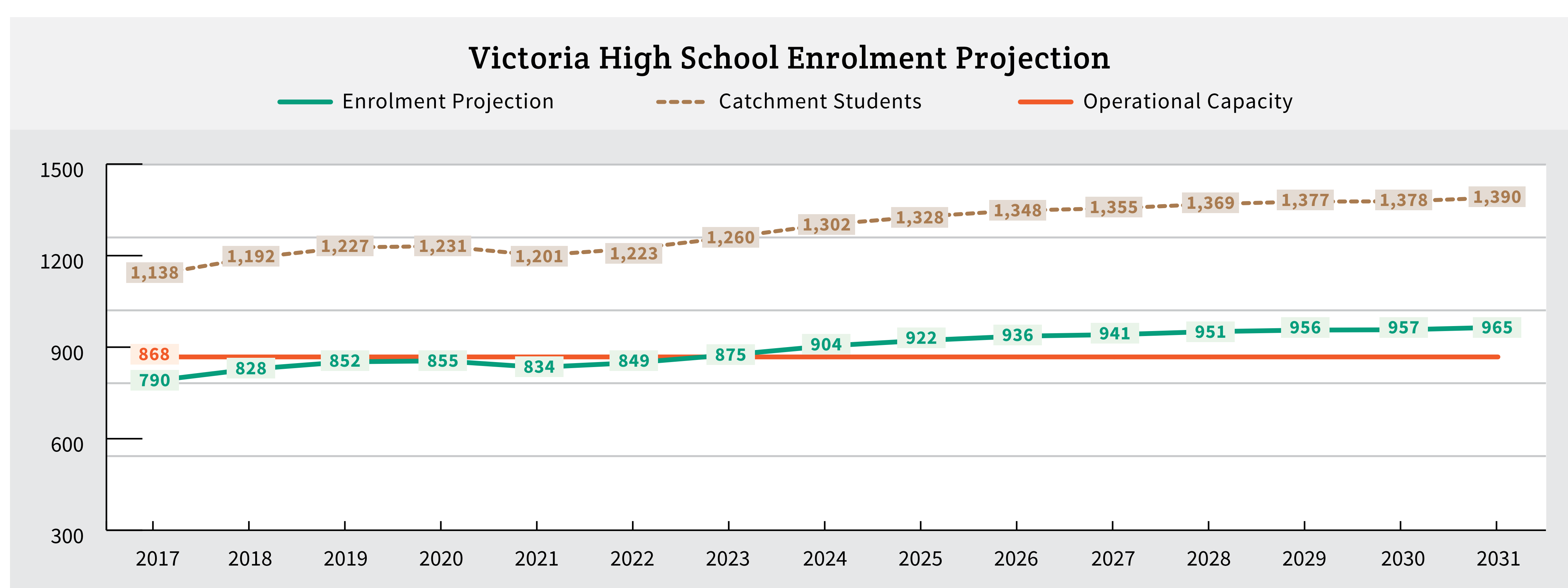
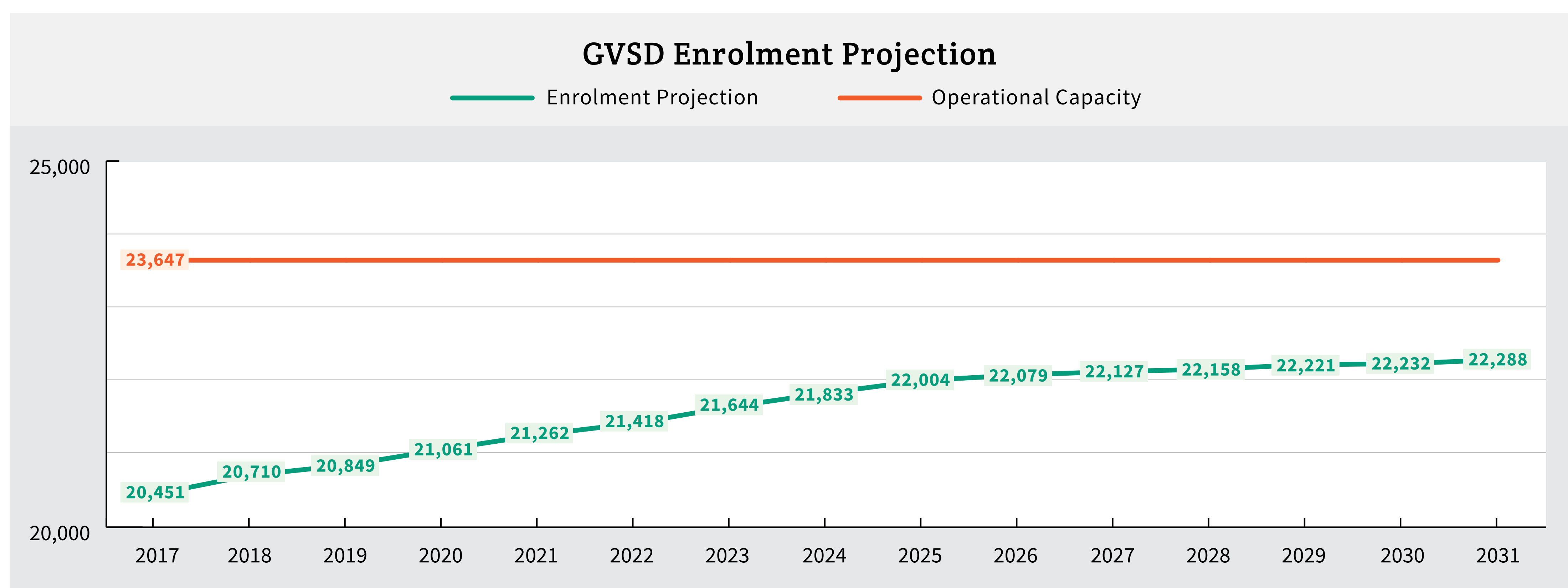


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Student Enrolment

After many years of declining enrolment, student enrolment is increasing. 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 Victoria High School neighbourhood catchment that cannot be accommodated at the school.



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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. *School Specific Information*



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Seismic Upgrades in Greater Victoria Schools

The BC Seismic Ranking Program ranks Victoria High School 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 Ministry of Education 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.*

BC Seismic Rating Definitions

Ranking	Definition
High 1 (H1)	Most vulnerable structure; at highest risk of widespread damage or structural failure; not repairable after event. Structural and non-structural seismic upgrades required.
High 2 (H2)	Vulnerable structure; at high risk of widespread damage or structural failure; likely not repairable after event. Structural and non-structural seismic upgrades required.
High 3 (H3)	Isolated failure to building elements such as walls are expected; building likely not repairable after event. Structural and non-structural seismic upgrades required.
Medium (M)	Isolated damage to building elements is expected; non-structural elements (such as bookshelves, lighting) are at risk of failure. Non-structural upgrades required. Building to be upgraded or replaced within the Capital Plan when it has reached the end of its useful life.
Low (L)	Least vulnerable structure. Would experience isolated damage and would probably be repairable after an event. Non-structural upgrades may be required.

GVSD - High Risk Seismic Schools

School	Ministry Rating Assigned	Status	School	Ministry Rating Assigned	Status	School	Ministry Rating Assigned	Status
Campus View	H1	Approved	Macaulay	H3	Planning Underway	Quadra	H1	Completed
Shoreline	H1	Supported. Planning Underway	Cloverdale	H1	Completed	Glanford	H1	Completed
Vic High (Ph2)	H1	Supported. Planning Underway	Monterey	H1	Completed	Gordon Head	H1	Completed
Cedar Hill	H1	Supported. Planning Underway	Margaret Jenkins	H1	Completed	Lansdowne	H1	Completed
Craigflower	H1	Planning Underway	Mount Doug	H1	Completed	James Bay	H1	Completed
Braefoot	H1	Planning Underway	Doncaster	H1	Completed	McKenzie	H1	Completed
Arbutus	H1	Planning Underway	Willows	H1	Completed	South Park	H1	Completed
Reynolds	H2	Planning Underway	Central	H1	Completed	Tillicum	H1	Completed
Lambrick Park	H1	Planning Underway	Vic High (Ph 1)	H1	Completed	Vic West	H1	Completed

* New seismic requirements may impact GVSD schools

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Range of Options Under Consideration

The Ministry of Education supports seismic upgrades to Victoria High School and the School District must submit seismic options to the Ministry for final funding approval.

Seismically upgrade existing building and upgrade building systems:

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

Retain the existing exterior and rebuild the interior :

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

Build a new school (with increased capacity for 200 more students):

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

All options result in a seismically upgraded Victoria High School and will meet BC Building Code.

A *Project Definition Report* describing all options will be developed this Summer. The report will be submitted to the Ministry of Education by the Board of Education with a recommended option.