



West Ada

SCHOOL DISTRICT

January 5, 2023

RE: Willowbrook

Dear Planners:

West Ada School District has experienced sustained growth in student enrollment during the last ten years. Based on current enrollment data specific to new development (within the last 5 years) in proximity to this proposed development, we estimate this development consisting of 1094 single-family homes could house approximately **1006 school aged children**. Approval of this application will affect enrollments at the following schools in West Ada School District based on attendance areas for the 2022-23 school year. For your information, included in this data is the number of approved lots and multi-family units approved by this and other agencies.

	<u>Enrollment</u>	<u>Capacity</u>	<u>Approved lots per attendance area</u>	<u>Approved MF units per attendance area</u>	<u>Projected Students from Approved Dev.</u>
Star Elementary	651	650	2782	37	506
Star Middle School	895	1000	9609	372	876
Eagle High School	1798	1800	6332	357	837
<u>School of Choice Options</u>					
Galileo STEM Academy	753	775	N/A	N/A	

West Ada School District supports economic growth. Based on future enrollment forecasts, the enrollment of the elementary school is projected to exceed the maximum capacity of the school. The middle and high schools are also projected to be operating above building capacity upon the completion of the previously approved lots. Future developments will continue to have an impact on the district's capacity.

To meet the need for additional school capacity in this area one or more of the following may need to be accomplished:

- Transporting students to an alternate school with available classrooms.
- Attendance area adjustments if there is availability in a nearby school.
- Portable classrooms placed on the property.
- Passage of a bond to build new schools to fit the enrollment needs.

If a developer chooses to donate land, West Ada School District may accept the donation of land appropriate for a school site. Passage of a bond issue will be required prior to the commencement of new school construction.

Please encourage the developer to provide safe walkways, bike paths and pedestrian access for our students.

Sincerely,

Marci Horner
Planning and Development Administrator