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FROM: Sandy Guryan, Deputy Superintendent of Schools

RE: Enrollment at Williams School

The current enrollment projections for Williams show a decreasing enrollment from 304 students this year to 294 student by FY17 (2016-17). Without Riverside, Williams is projected to be under capacity (capacity is 319 students) by 25 students by FY17 when students from Riverside might be expected to begin enrolling at Williams. Also in FY17, the rebuilt Angier Elementary school comes on line with additional capacity and it is expected that enrollment at Williams could also be managed by means of the Angier-Williams buffer zone. Buffer zone placements currently impact only newly enrolled Kindergarten students without older siblings or new move-in students (not current families). Current school department long range elementary expansion planning does indicate a mid-range permanent addition (not modulars) at Williams school to bring that building up to a capacity of approximately 400 students to accommodate district wide growth anticipated in Newton over the next 10 years, not just growth anticipated from the planned Riverside development. The timing for mid-range permanent additions at several schools is expected to be established in conjunction with the next five year CIP process.