

# Town of South Windsor Quad Meeting

Town Council  
Board of Education  
Planning and Zoning Commission  
Economic Development Commission

September 20, 2022

*South Windsor Public Schools: Impact of Increasing Enrollment*



*presented by*

Dr. Kate Carter  
Superintendent of Schools

“A GOOD PROBLEM TO HAVE”

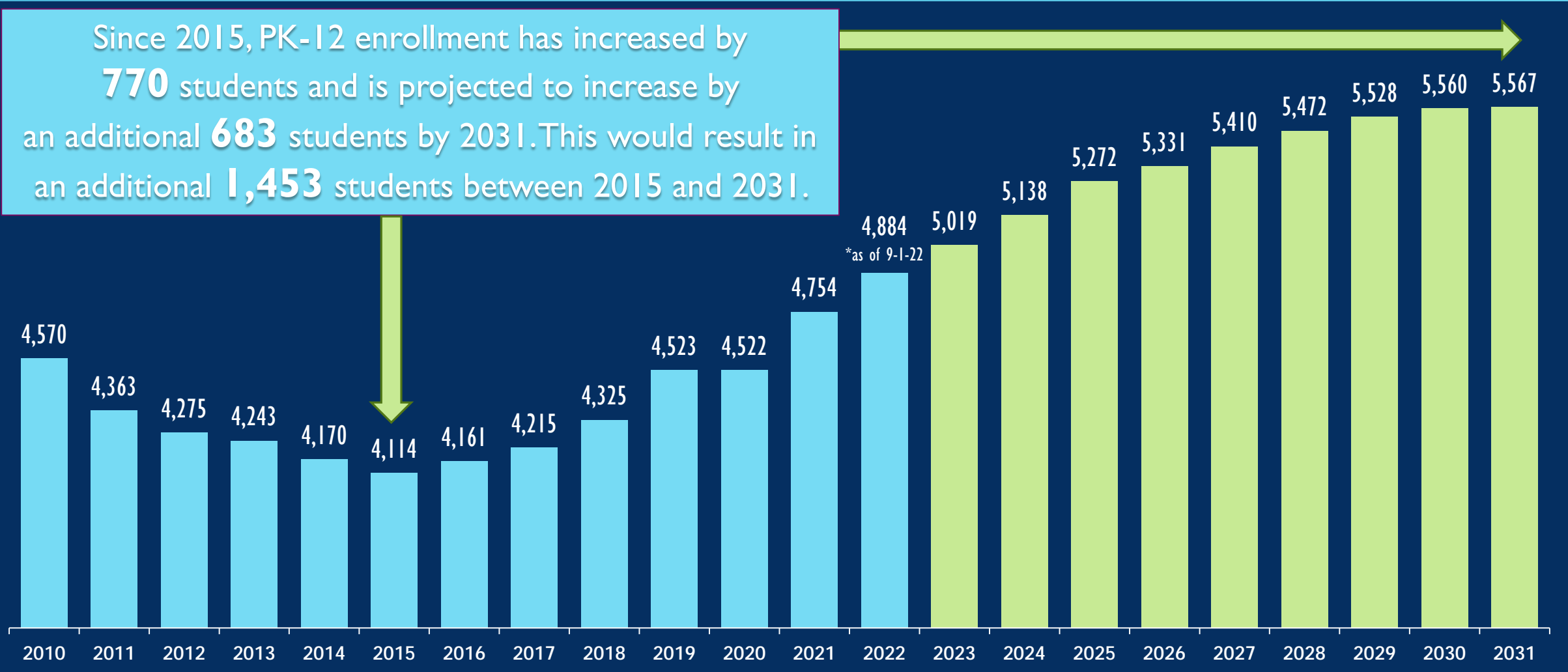
# Current PK-12 Enrollment By School

School/Program	Enrollment (as of 9-1-22)
Eli Terry Elementary School	504
Orchard Hill Elementary School	631
Philip R. Smith Elementary School	468
Pleasant Valley Elementary School	680
Timothy Edwards Middle School	1,146
South Windsor High School	1,345
PK Program (Projected)	110
<b>Total Enrollment:</b>	<b>4,884</b>



# Total PK-12 Historical and Projected Enrollment

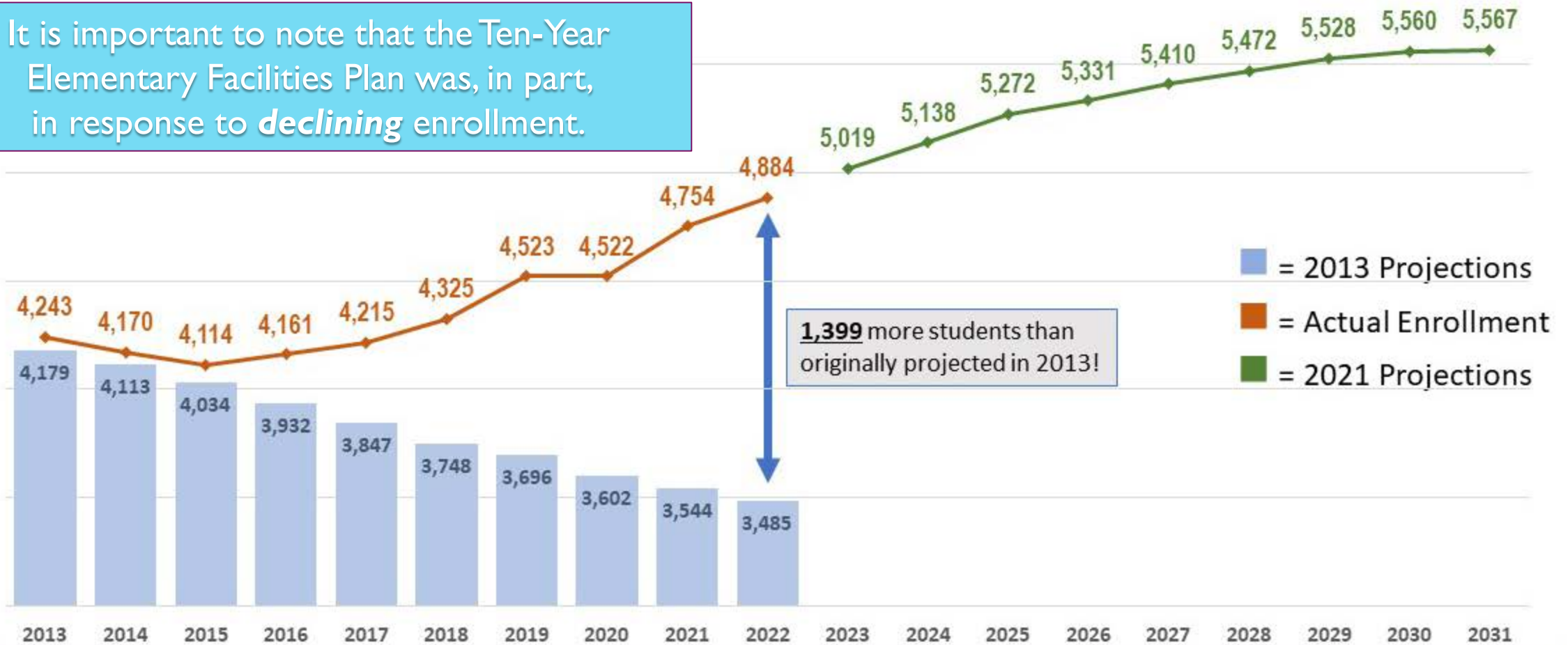
Since 2015, PK-12 enrollment has increased by **770** students and is projected to increase by an additional **683** students by 2031. This would result in an additional **1,453** students between 2015 and 2031.



■ Historical actual enrollment; ■ Projections from SLAM Collaborative @ 11-16-2021

# PK-12 Projections vs. Actual Enrollment

It is important to note that the Ten-Year Elementary Facilities Plan was, in part, in response to *declining* enrollment.



SWHS current enrollment:	<b>1,345</b>	Projected to increase by	<b>444</b>	students in 2031
TEMS current enrollment:	<b>1,146</b>	Projected to increase by	<b>246</b>	students in 2031
Elementary school current enrollment:	<b>2,283</b>	Projected to decrease by	<b>7</b>	students in 2031

*\*Current enrollment as of 9/1/2022; projections based on SLAM Collaborative Projection Report, November 2021*



In 2012, Connecticut Planning & Development, LLC published a report which projected the number of public school age children coming from the South Windsor Woods residential development.

Developer's short-term projection of  
Public School Age Children = 21



Developer's long-term projection of  
Public School Age Children = 35



Actual Number of SWPS  
Students as of 9/6/22 = 117

## South Windsor Woods



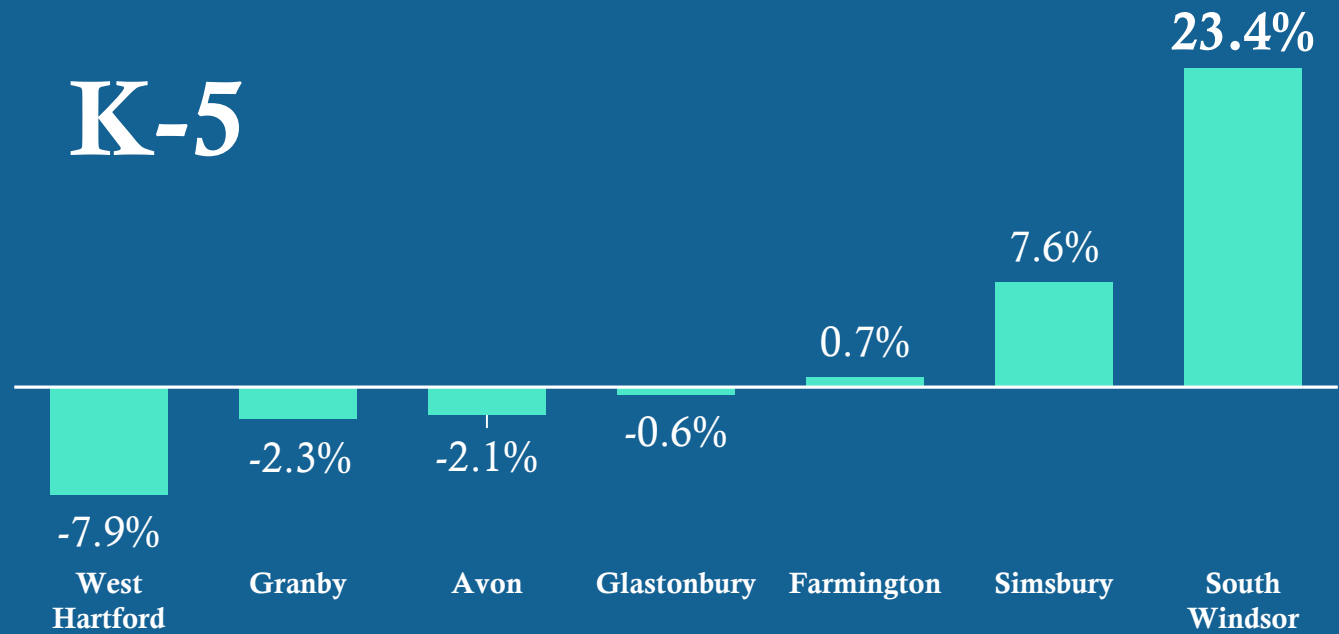
**SWPS Student Total = 117**

# Hartford County DRG B Towns

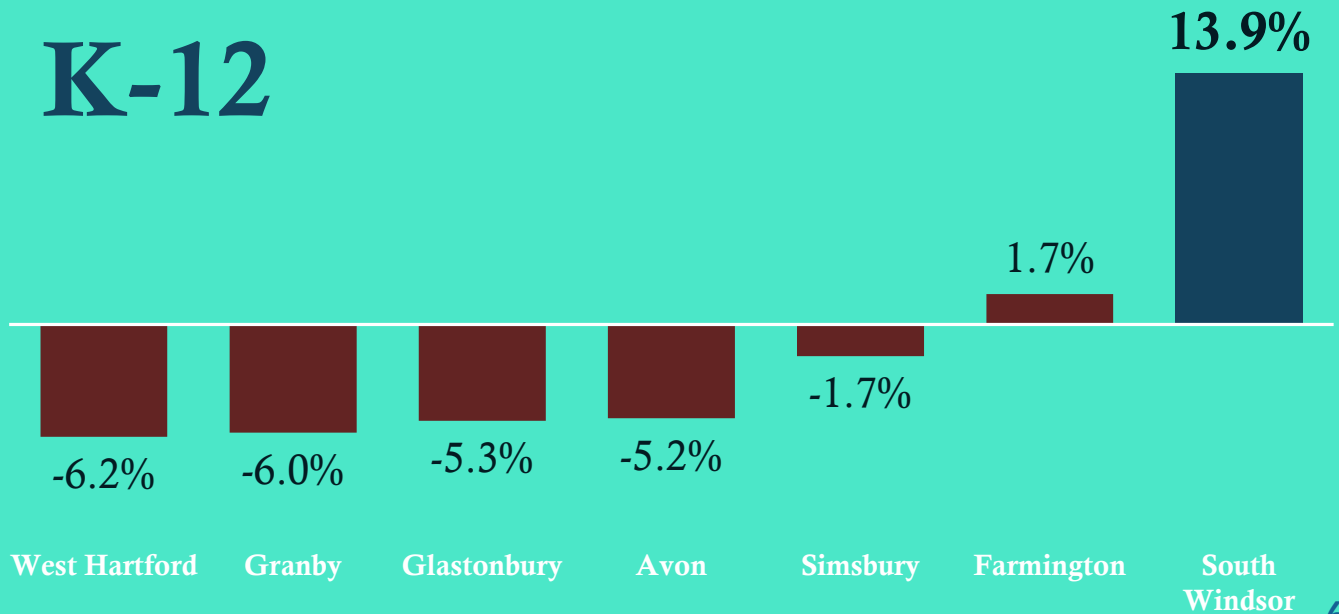
## Five-Year Enrollment Trends

October 1, 2016 – October 1, 2021

### K-5



### K-12



Source: CSDE EdSight Enrollment Data – Released February 23, 2022; Grade Level by Year

**I THINK YOU'RE GONNA NEED**

**A BIGGER BOAT**



# Building a Bigger Boat



## Eli Terry Elementary School

- Added two additional classrooms during construction
- Moving a districtwide special education program to new Pleasant Valley



## Orchard Hill Elementary School

- Moved entire preschool program to middle school
- Converted a library instructional space into a classroom
- Possible site for future expansion for districtwide special education programming, if enrollment growth at Eli Terry continues



## Philip R. Smith Elementary School

- Added three additional classrooms during construction
- Plans are underway to add two portable classrooms
- Wall removed between reading room and book storage to create an additional classroom



## Pleasant Valley Elementary School

- Adding an additional classroom during construction
- Currently Pleasant Valley relies on 12 portables



## Timothy Edwards Middle School

- Constructed four new classrooms within current footprint
- Moving preschool to new Pleasant Valley
- Researching feasibility of enlarging cafeteria
- Moving copy center to Wapping School

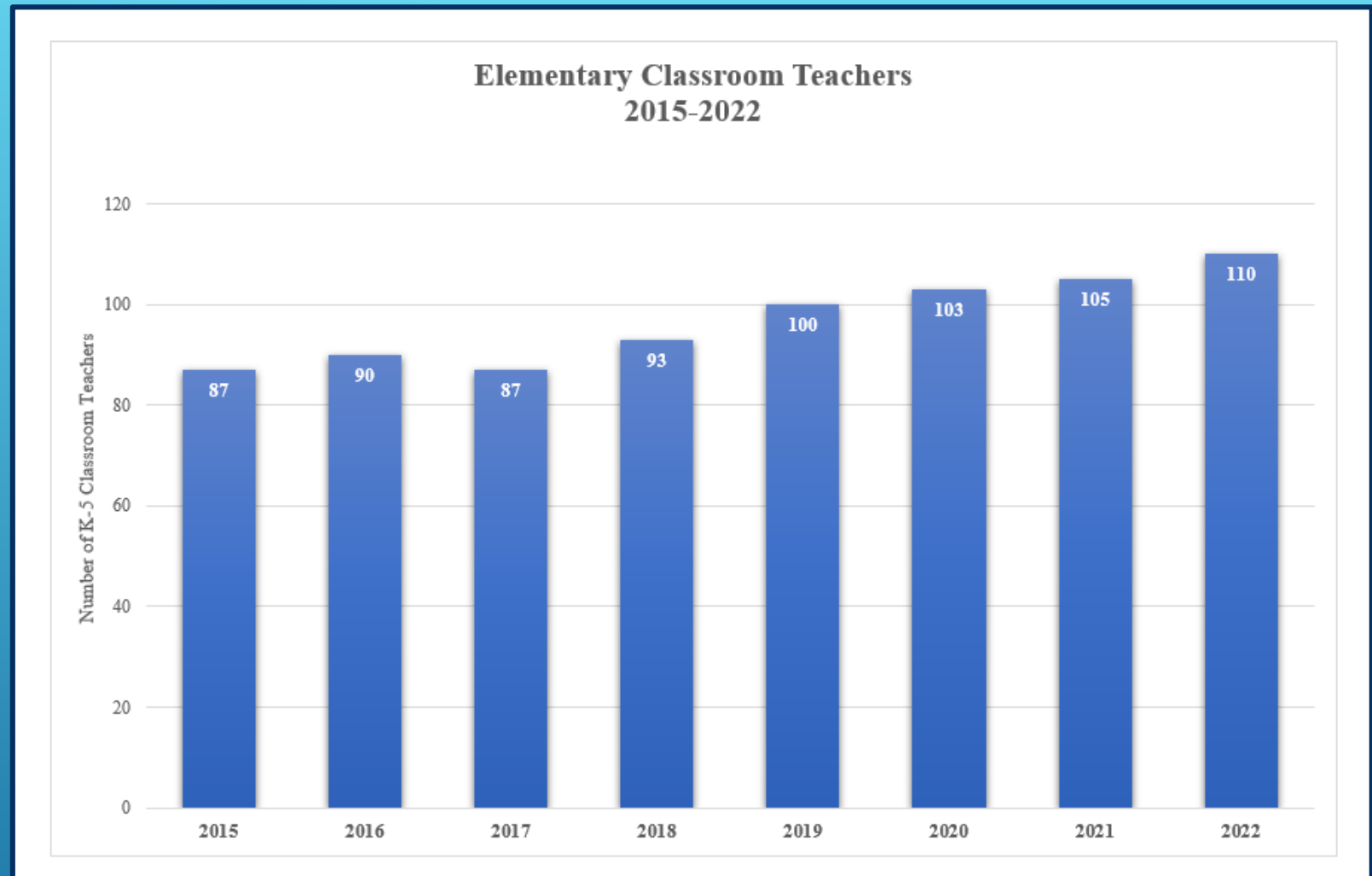


## South Windsor High School

- Converting Wapping School into High School Annex



Since 2015, the K-5 student population has grown by 534 students, or 30.5%



Since 2015, the K-5 student population has grown by **534 students** or 30.5%. During this same timeframe, the number of K-5 classroom teachers grew by **23 FTE** due to increasing enrollment.

The cost of 23 additional classroom teachers is just over **\$2,000,000**.

# Net Current Expenditures per Pupil (NCEP)

	<u>FY 2021 NCEP</u>	<u>% Change</u>
DRG B Average	\$19,628	6.30%
State Average	\$19,034	7.25%
South Windsor	\$16,668	1.60%

\*Updated information from CSDE as of 1/2022

# DRG B: Three-Year NCEP Comparison

Greenwich	22,370
Madison	21,098
District No. 5	19,439
District No. 15	19,102
Fairfield	18,942
New Fairfield	18,796
Guilford	18,565
Monroe	18,549
Newtown	18,488
Orange	17,992
Avon	17,947
Glastonbury	17,874
Woodbridge	17,666
Farmington	17,503
Simsbury	17,338
West Hartford	17,245
<b>South Windsor</b>	<b>17,012</b>
Cheshire	16,859
Trumbull	16,661
Brookfield	16,514
Granby	16,297

FY 2019

Greenwich	22,683
Madison	21,137
Fairfield	19,143
District No. 15	18,934
District No. 5	18,808
Newtown	18,785
New Fairfield	18,649
Guilford	18,478
Woodbridge	18,089
Simsbury	18,049
Orange	18,047
Monroe	17,907
Glastonbury	17,830
West Hartford	17,802
Avon	17,591
Farmington	17,297
Cheshire	17,086
Trumbull	17,078
Granby	17,069
Brookfield	16,456
<b>South Windsor</b>	<b>16,405</b>

FY 2020

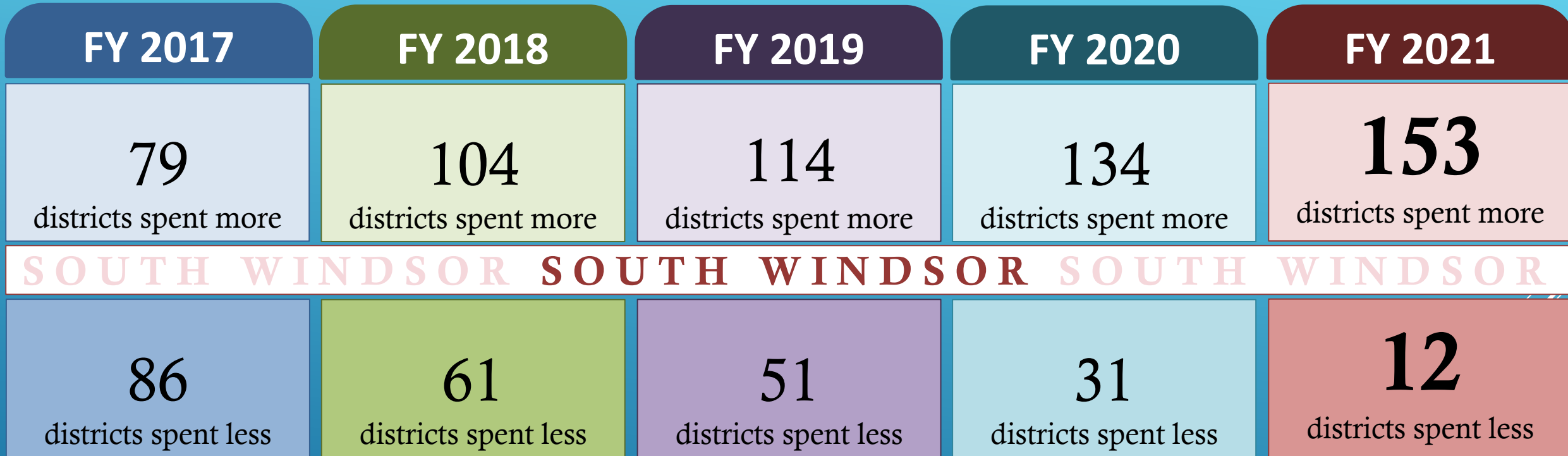
Greenwich	24,326
Madison	22,964
Fairfield	20,782
District No. 5	20,677
New Fairfield	20,212
District No. 15	20,124
Newtown	19,920
Guilford	19,902
Orange	19,348
Woodbridge	19,270
West Hartford	19,155
Simsbury	19,016
Granby	18,871
Glastonbury	18,755
Avon	18,594
Farmington	18,521
Cheshire	18,133
Monroe	17,752
Brookfield	17,625
Trumbull	17,579
<b>South Windsor</b>	<b>16,668</b>

FY 2021\*

\*Updated information from CSDE as of 1/2022



# A Five-Year Lookback at Statewide NCEP



In FY 2021, **92%** of the districts in the state of Connecticut spent more per pupil than South Windsor

# Thank You Town Leaders!

