

West Branch Local School District

Reconfiguration & Cost Savings Options --
2020 -2021 School Year



Past Enrollment:
09/10

PS - 11

K - 168

1 - 185

2 - 176

3 - 175

4 - 175

Total - 2475

5 - 204

6 - 167

7 - 205

8 - 193

9 - 214

10 - 210

11 - 192

12 - 193

Current Enrollment:
19/20

PS - 67

K - 135

1 - 132

2 - 138

3 - 146

4 - 108

Total - 1980

5 - 153

6 - 153

7 - 176

8 - 139

9 - 147

10 - 145

11 - 180

12 - 157

5 Year Average - Enrollment:

PS - 65

K - 140

1 - 123

2 - 145

3 - 150

4 - 146

Total - 2046

5 - 156

6 - 160

7 - 169

8 - 168

9 - 139

10 - 163

11 - 169

12 - 153

Current Building Configurations:

West Branch High School: Grades 9 -12 -- 551(82)

West Branch Middle School Grades PS, 5 -- 8 -- 688

Damascus Elementary Grades K - 4 -- 334

Knox Elementary Grades K - 4 -- 325

Current Operational Cost - District & Buildings:

West Branch Local School District:

Total Square Feet(all school buildings) = 386,558

Operational Cost per square foot = \$9.27

Operational Cost per square foot(state average) = \$7.00

West Branch High School

Total Square Feet = 159,554

Operational Cost = **\$1,479,065.58**

West Branch Middle School

Total Square Feet = 121,705

Operational Cost = **\$1,128,205.35**

Damascus Elementary

Total Square Feet = 52,879

Operational Cost = **\$490,188.33**

Knox Elementary

Total Square Feet = 52,420

Operational Cost = **\$485,933.40**

Source: Ohio Department of Education

Fiscal Benchmark Report - 2019

Option One:

**Damascus Elementary transitions to
West Branch Early Learning Center**

(PS, K, 1) -- **337 Students**

Superintendent & Treasurer Offices(Board Office)

Special Services Offices

Technology Department

Knox Elementary - *Idled*

West Branch Intermediate School

Grades 2 - 6 -- **677 Students**

West Branch Junior - Senior High School

Grades 7 -12 -- **940 Students**

Maintenance & Operational Savings -- \$485,933.40

Personnel Savings -- \$300,000 (Projected)

Option Two:

Damascus Elementary - Idled

Knox Elementary - Idled

West Branch Elementary & Intermediate School
Grades PS - 6 -- **1,014 Students**

West Branch Junior - Senior High School
Grades 7 -12 -- **940 Students**

Maintenance & Operational Savings -- \$976,121
Personnel Savings -- \$500,000 (Projected)

Option Three:

Damascus Elementary - Partially Idled
West Branch Board of Education Offices
Superintendent & Treasurer Offices
Special Services Offices
Technology Department

Knox Elementary - Idled

West Branch Elementary & Intermediate School
Grades PS - 6 -- **1,014 Students**

West Branch Junior - Senior High School
Grades 7 -12 -- **940 Students**

Maintenance & Operational Savings -- \$885,121
Personnel Savings -- \$500,000 (Projected)

Draft Implementation Timeline:

- **February 11, 2020 -- Community Input Meeting**
 - **February 20, 2020 -- Board of Education Resolution**
 - **March 2, 2020 -- Implementation Planning Committee**
 - **April 1, 2020 -- Communicate and Implement Final Plan**
 - **April 2, 2020 - July 31, 2020 -- District Operational Changes Implemented**
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