

## Did You Know?

*The students are coming ...*

*Will there be room for them?*

**Did you know that...**our student population has increased by 500 students since 2012?

**Did you know that...**our student population will grow by 500 students in the next five years?

**Did you know that...**on the elementary level, there are a total of 14 homerooms that have 25 or more general education students?

**Did you know that...**our September 2017 enrollment is now 5,027 students?

**Did you know that...**the kitchens are original to when the schools were constructed? The referendum will provide new, state-of-the-art kitchens at Memorial and TJ schools. The current kitchen at Memorial was built in 1956, and the current kitchen at TJ was built in 1953. Please note that food is prepared at TJ and Memorial and then sent to most elementary schools.

**Did you know that...**school administrators are available to speak with civic organizations about the referendum? To schedule a presentation, call the Superintendent's office at (201) 794-5500.

**Did you know that...**student enrollment will continue to grow and the challenges of aging facilities will only worsen if the referendum fails?

**Did you know that...**schools need more space per student today than was needed years ago? School districts are bound by legal and practical requirements that require special education and other small group instructional areas. More specialty programs have been required over the years. Each of these specialty spaces requires 400 to 600 square feet depending on the use of the space and the number of occupants.

**Did you know that...**two recent independent demographic reports have been used to calculate future student enrollment in Fair Lawn Schools? We know how many students are projected to attend our schools, and this referendum will accommodate their needs and ensure compliance with state mandates and safety regulations for the foreseeable future.

**Did you know that...**the entire cost of the referendum will not impact our taxpayers next year? If the referendum is approved, payment on the referendum debt will not begin until the 2018-2019 school year at the earliest and will continue for at least 25 years. The cost will therefore be paid by the taxpayers over the period during which the Fair Lawn residents will be receiving the benefits of improved school facilities.

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