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Engage, Prepare, and Empower

Board Report September 15, 2025

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Fall activities are in full swing, and it is good to have students in the building again. It has been a great start to the year as school spirit from both students and community members seems to be very high. Our sports teams have had some great early-season success that we look to build upon as the season progresses.

Current high school enrollment numbers are listed at the bottom of this report. Although we have dropped in the short term with small senior and freshman classes, we are still seeing steady growth over the last 10+ years. If you look forward to the next four years, based on current enrollment, we should grow to near 350 (9-12) by the 2029/30 school year. We have prepared for the larger numbers by adding core-area teachers and sections to keep our class numbers manageable and electives plentiful. We will continue to keep a close eye on staffing in the upcoming years, looking to expand offerings and ensure that we continue to provide the high-quality education DC West is known for.

A few events that will soon be happening at DCWHS

- *Homecoming Week September 15-20
- *Parent-Teacher Conferences October 8 (3:45-7:45) & 9 (12:30-8:00)
- *Practice ACT Testing for 11th graders October 22

9-12 High School Enrollment Numbers

2014/15 School Year – 272 (1/22/15)

2015/16 School Year – 281 (1/13/16)

2016/17 School Year - 270 (1/10/17)

2017/18 School Year - 284 (1/3/18)

2018/19 School Year - 294 (1/14/19)

2019/20 School Year - 289 (8/12/19)

2020/21 School Year - 301 (9/3/20)

2021/22 School Year - 311 (9/7/21)

2022/23 School Year - 302 (9/7/22)

2023/24 School Year - 335 (9/6/23)

2024/25 School Year - 331 (9/11/24)

2025/26 School Year - 307 (9/8/25)