



### Pros and Cons

#### 16 Month Transition

- Pros**
  - Additional Closure Time for Granard Activities
  - Increased Planning for Employee Placement
  - Teacher Certification Status – Elementary and Middle School
- Cons**
  - Additional Operation Cost (Cost to keep Granard open another year)
  - Loss of Momentum
  - Cost of Facility Upgrades - Potential Facility Emergency (Given Current Needs)
  - Teacher Retention
  - Surge in School Choice with Limited Availability
  - An Additional Transition for Rising 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Students

### Pros and Cons

#### 4 Month Transition

- Pros**
  - Cost Savings (Operation of Existing Facility)
  - Consolidation of Facility (Capital Projects Savings)
  - Momentum
  - Maximize Facilities
  - Facility Upgrades
    - Current and Future
  - Avoiding Potential Facility Emergency (Given Current Needs)
  - Health Concerns Alleviated
  - Teacher Certification Status – Elementary and Middle School
- Cons**
  - School Choice Adjustment
  - Advanced Communication
  - Teacher Retention/Certification Status – Elementary and Middle School
  - Short Time Frame To Get Building Preparation Complete/Additional Work Hours

### District Maintenance Cost Avoidance

- GRMS Major Needs Over Next 5 Years
  - Fire Alarm, HVAC, Intercom, Flooring, Roofing, Plumbing
    - Cost: Approximately \$11 M
      - HVAC Estimated at \$2.0 M
      - Roof and Fascia Estimated at \$1.9 M
      - Fire Alarm and Intercom Estimated at \$1.2 M
      - Plumbing Estimated at \$2.2 M
      - Flooring Estimated at \$1.5 M
      - Code Requirements Upgrades \$1.5 M
      - Potential Change Orders due to unforeseen issues to projects above Estimated at \$700,000
- GRMS Average Maintenance and Utility Costs/Year: \$155,750.59
- Potential Total Avoidance/Yearly = \$2,355,750.00

\*these figures are estimates and subject to change

### Required Costs Associated with Leaving Granard Middle School Open Another Year

- Regular Utilities and Maintenance \$155,750
- Kitchen Repairs (Plumbing and Freezer) \$435,000
- Environmental Cleaning Costs/Coil Cleaning \$15,000
- Annual Property Insurance Premiums \$11,000

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### Transition Costs

#### Gaffney Middle School

- Required Upgrades
  - Estimated at \$385,000 - \$410,000
    - Shop Transition to Art Room (\$22,000)
    - Special Education Needs (\$125,000)
    - Moving Cost – Furniture, Technology, and Kitchen Equipment (\$125,000)
    - Classroom Reconfigurations (\$50,000 - \$75,000)
    - Traffic Flow – Paving and Fencing (\$63,000)

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## Transition Costs

### Ewing Middle School

- Required Upgrades
  - Estimated at \$125,000 - \$140,000
    - Special Education Needs (\$30,000)
    - Moving Cost – Furniture and Technology (\$40,000)
    - Classroom Reconfigurations (\$10,000-\$25,000)
    - Traffic Flow – Paving (\$45,000)

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## Transition Recommendation

Based upon a detailed analysis of all the information presented, it is the recommendation of the Superintendent that Granard Middle School be closed at the conclusion of the 2018-2019 academic school year with the transition of students to Ewing Middle School and Gaffney Middle School beginning with the 2019-2020 academic school year.