

# **PGCPS**

## **Dora Kennedy French Immersion**

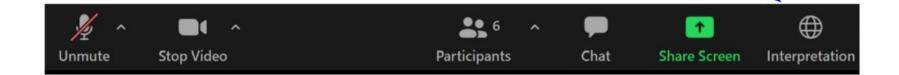
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**Facility Plans** 

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<u>On a computer-</u>- At the bottom of the screen will be an interpretation globe. Click that globe and then select *Spanish*.

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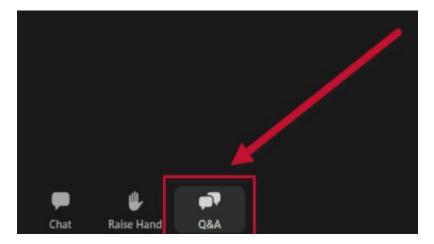
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- Tap Language Interpretation.
- Tap Spanish.

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- Toque Language Interpretation.
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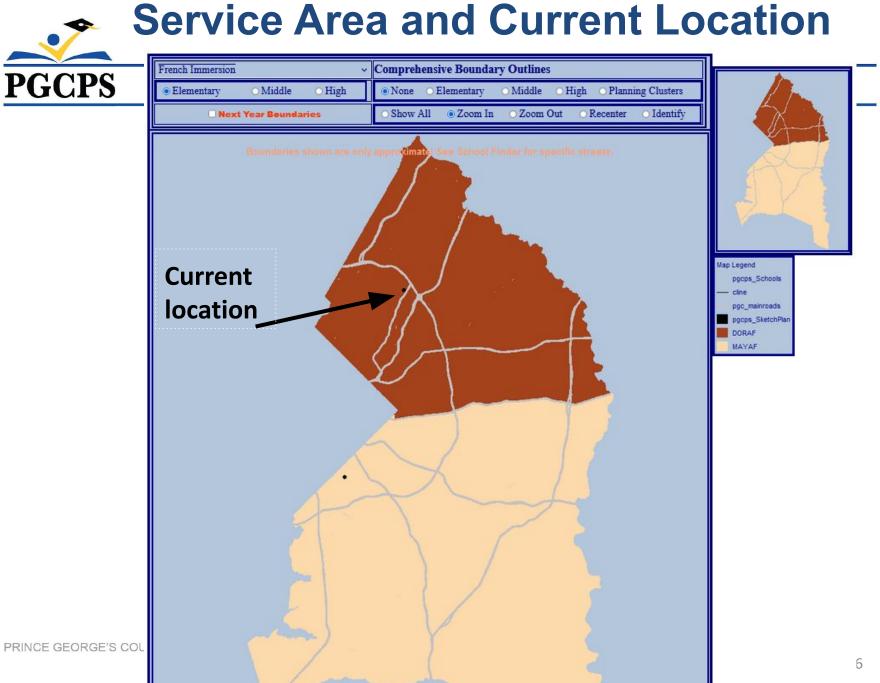
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- Dora Kennedy French Immersion (DKFI) is currently located in the former Greenbelt Middle (fGBMS)
  - Greenbelt Middle moved to a replacement facility in 2012
- DKFI moved to fGBMS from the Goddard facility in 2016
  - Goddard was located 4.5 miles from fGBMS
  - After relocation, DKFI enrollment increased by 40 students the following year



- The former Greenbelt MS was built in 1937 as a 20,000 SF high school. Five additions to the original building were constructed between 1945 and 1969 to reach the modern day total of 141,125 SF.
- After Eleanor Roosevelt HS opened in 1974, it became Greenbelt MS. After the new Greenbelt MS opened 2012, it was closed and recommended for demolition due to significant and dangerous structural issues.
- But due a shortage of available options, it was tapped in 2016 to house the French Immersion program which was then sharing space at Robert Goddard.



Prior to DKFI move:

- PGCPS performed \$5.7M in renovations that included demolishing the most dangerous portions of the building and a partial upgrade of its systems (that still significantly underperform new systems and result in high operation costs).
- The building has continued to experience water infiltration and exhibits signs of structural decay.
- Pursuing modernization of this facility would be costly due these factors and the building's historic designation



- Former fGBMS facility has exceeded its useful life
  - Feasibility study 15 years ago determined most of the building should be demolished
  - Capital funding for the next 6 years is already earmarked
- Opportunity for a permanent home at former Kenmoor Middle (fKMS)
  - fKMS is in substantially better condition that fGBMS
  - New Kenmoor Middle facility was built primarily for capacity needs
- The final use for fGBMS will be 2 years of swing space for Springhill Lake Elementary (SLES), after which non-historic portions should be decommissioned
  - Provides SLES a walkable location during construction of their replacement facility



- Built in 1973 at 128,381 SF with a building capacity rated for 750 students
- Significant Advantages include:
  - Safer parking lot configuration
  - Safer entrance

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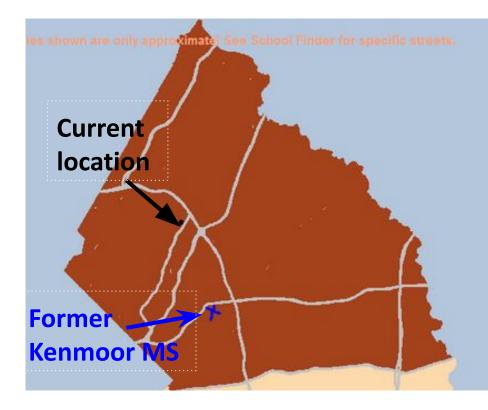
- Higher air quality scores
- Higher lighting quality scores
- Higher acoustic scores
- Improved technology infrastructure throughout the facility



fKMS located in Landover,
8.5 mi from current facility

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- DKFI moved 4.5 mi when relocating from Goddard
- Based on current students, average distance to school would increase less than ½ mile (from 6.1 mi to 6.5 mi)



## Timeline



#### <u>SY 2023-24</u>

Announce relocation of DKFI

#### <u>SY 2024- 2026</u>

Identify and implement facility updates at fKMS

#### <u>SY 2026-27</u>

- DKFI moves to fKMS
- SLES moves to fGBMS

#### <u>SY 2028-29</u>

- SLES replacement facility opens
- fGBMS decommissioned



**Questions & Answers** 

# QUESTIONS

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