

Executive Summary

RSP Enrollment Analysis



- RSP conducts regular enrollment analyses for USD 230. RSP's enrollment projections have been on average 97.5% accurate over the last five years. One to two year accuracy has been between 98.3% and 100% at all grade levels.
- In forecasting enrollment, RSP coordinates with city planners, county officials and housing developers to understand the location, density, timing and rate of future development.
- Economic indicators continue to be favorable for home buyers and housing developers. Assumptions have been made that these economic indicators (low mortgage rates, low fuel prices, and economic opportunities) will continue for the foreseeable future.
- New residential activity greater than 300 units a year is expected with additional opportunities for other housing options (duplex and apartments).
- District enrollment (non-virtual) is projected to increase 7% - 12% annually over the next 5 years resulting in nearly 1,500 additional students by 2020/21.
- The difference between this year's projections and last year's projections is the increased speed in which housing developments are expected to progress over the next few years.
- Capacity challenges will exist at the elementary, middle and high school levels.
- If a bond passed in November 2016 new schools and additions (excluding Middle School) would open in July 2018. From the passage of a bond issue to building completion: approximately 20 months for an Elementary School, 44 months for a Middle School, 20 months for a High School addition, and 20 months for an Early Childhood Center.