

Trailers

- Trailers have primarily been used at schools to address student capacity and/or program needs.
- CCPS used 303 trailers in 2007-08 for K-12 classrooms; that number is projected to be 234 in 2008-09 with the new school openings.
- Schools included in the Public Facilities Plan are those projected to be needed over a twenty-year period that would not only eliminate the need for trailers, but plan for growth as well.
- If all schools could be built, trailers could be used only for fluctuations in enrollment or program needs that would prevent the School Board from having to make boundary changes every year or two to even out enrollment.
- There has not been sufficient debt capacity or operating funds for debt service, to allow for all “needed” schools to be built; additionally, with ageing schools, more capital funds are needed for maintaining existing schools.
- School Board Capital Improvement Plans and past bond referenda have prioritized projects where the most significant overcrowding has occurred and is projected to continue to occur. For instance, Winterpock Elementary was included in the 2004 referendum due to the significant level of overcrowding at Spring Run and Grange Hall Elementary Schools as well as the projected growth in that area.
- The school system owns and moves all of its trailers. Therefore, when trailers are available, principals request them to provide flexibility, not only in program areas, but for conferencing, work rooms, etc.
- Trailers are used for many special needs such as Head Start, ESL Intake Center, CIS office, parent resource areas, etc. Therefore, if we had sufficient capacity for students, some trailers would likely still be in use around the county.