Background & Context

With the transition of Inman Middle School to the new David T. Howard Middle School and the temporary relocation of Morningside Elementary to that site, the Inman Middle School building will become vacant in the fall of 2022. As part of the Facilities Master Planning (FMP) process, the district expected to identify the future use of that facility and address the current capacity challenges facing many Grady Cluster elementary schools.

In January 2020, the Grady Cluster Advisory Team (CAT) discussed long-range planning for the Grady Cluster and heard from the CAT ideas for the future use of the Inman MS facility. The following ideas were selected to build out in preparation for the February 25, 2020 Grady Community Conversation: 1) new K-5 elementary school; 2) 4th/5th grade academy; and 3) 5th/6th grade academy.

During the February 25, 2020 Grady Community Conversation the community reviewed enrollment projections and current building capacities in order to review the pros and cons of potential solutions to address capacity challenges in the Grady Cluster.

In November 2020, the FMP process was put on hold, but the future of the Inman facility was continuing forward due to the Fall 2022 vacancy timeline and pressing capacity challenges.

The presentation was drafted to provide new APS leadership an update on the current status of the facility and draft options based on previous community conversations. All contents are considered a working draft.