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Draft Repurposing Plan for the Hall Campus



Should the LRSD Board of Education decide to transition the Hall-West High School of Innovation to a small non-traditional hybrid high school program, the plan is to repurpose the Hall campus to house several district non-traditional and alternative learning education programs.



Suggestions for the name of the non-traditional campus will be solicited. The Board will make the final naming determination.

Why now?

LITTLE ROCK

- When the decision was made to build and open the new Pinnacle View High school in the fall of 2027, Hall's fate as a traditional high school would be threatened because we did not have enough students to operate five traditional high schools.
- It was the administration's plan to continue operating Hall-West until the end of the 2026-27 school year. However, there were not enough 9th graders who choose to attend Hall-West in the Fall of 2025 to admit a new freshman class for the 2025-26 school year. This was not known until March/April of 2025.
 - In the 2026-27 school year, Hall-West will not have a freshman or sophomore class and the projected enrollment will be less than 150 students.
- It is costing the LRSD in excess of 24K per student to operate Hall-West as a traditional high school in 2025-26; more than double the per student costs of other LRSD high schools.
 - With declining enrollment, increased costs, increased district wide needs, and decreasing revenue, the LRSD can not afford to operate a traditional high school with less than 250 regular education students in the 2026-27 school year.



Hamilton Learning Academy (grades 6-12 ALE)

- 180 students max
- 700 building (currently not being used) to house program
 - may require additional classroom space to keep middle school and high school students separated

The current Hamilton building will no longer be used due to the condition of the building.

Accelerated Learning Center (ACC)

- Approximately 100 high school students currently served with room for expansion
- ACC is designed for overage/under-credited students who benefit from a smaller and more flexible path to high school graduation
- ACC students attend school in-person either during the AM or PM hours

ACC program has already been relocated to the Hall campus for the 2025-26 school year





Adult Education Programs

- Our award-winning adult education program serves about 100 day-time students and 75 evening students.
- The condition of the current Adult Education building is beyond repair and renovation

LRSD K-12 Virtual Education Program

- Currently 50 students are served in our virtual education program with room for expansion.
- Virtual program staff physically work within the Hall building.







Birth - 2 Day Care or Early Childhood Center (if cost neutral)

- This proposed idea will need additional study before it becomes an official recommendation. The center will need to be self-funding.
- This center could serve the needs of staff, parents in the community, and students in the non-traditional programs offered at Hall.







Small Non-Traditional High School (replacing the current Hall-West SOI)

- If our ACC, Virtual, ALE, and Adult Education programs are operating on the campus, we can enroll an additional small number of in-person regular education high school students who prefer to attend school in a smaller environment without traditional high school athletics and major extracurricular activities (i.e., band, chorus, theater, etc.) but will include student clubs and activities.
- This will be a high school option that we currently do not offer.
 Students will access and complete their high school requirements via a hybrid model (virtual and in-person).
- The criteria and number of students to be accepted into this non-traditional program is being determined.







Small Non-Traditional High School

Current Recommendation: For Hall-West SOI to retain its LEA number, retain its "innovation" status, drop "West" from the name, and transition into a non-traditional high school in the 2026-27 school year.

- In the 2026-27 school year, the school will only enroll 11th and 12th grade students, providing an opportunity for students already attending Hall-West to remain until graduation if desired.
- In the 2027-28 school year, the school will accept 9th-12th grade students interested in a non-traditional high school setting.







Proposed Programs to-be Housed on the Hall Campus include: Small Non-Traditional High School

Small Non-Traditional High School

Rationale for Recommendation:

- It is not financially or operationally feasible to operate a traditional high school with fewer than 200 students.
- It is not realistic to believe that more students can be recruited to attend Hall next school year based on past attempts and current enrollment trends.
- There is a need in the district for a different and smaller high school.
- This will be NEW for LRSD and we will need a transition year to determine how to build a new cost-and-student-effective model using aspects of our ACC, virtual, and in-person traditional course offerings prior to opening the campus fully to 9th-12th grade students in 2027-28.
 - course offerings prior to opening the campus fully to 9th-12th grade students in 2027-28.
 A personalized graduation plan will need to be developed for students attending this non-traditional hybrid high school. In 2026-27, these plans will be developed for 11th and 12th grade students only.
 - Teacher licensure requirements for some high school courses required for graduation are very specific and narrow. We need time in the 2026-27 school year with a smaller number of students to ensure we know how to staff and schedule the teachers needed (in-person, virtual, and/or hybrid), for all courses needed, and with the appropriate student caseloads which vary based on course modality (in-person, virtual, or hybrid).
- The district can cease operations in two buildings where building conditions, deferred maintenance, & repair needs are cost-prohibitive to continue operating, (i.e., Hamilton & Adult Education buildings).
- Although in a different model, Hall, as a school, will continue to exist.





Other Proposed Changes

LITTLE ROCK SCHOOL DISTRICT

Scott Field

- To be renovated to become a multipurpose use field and the home football field for Parkview.
- Field house will need to be constructed.

Hall Arena

- To be renovated to become a multipurpose use arena and the home arena for Parkview.
- Hall memorabilia to occupy a permanent space within the arena.

Community Center/Meeting Space

- If space permits, consider using a space within the building for a community center/meeting space.
- A mini Hall museum will occupy permanent space within the building to preserve history.





Recommended Timeline for Repurposing Plan

2025-26

- Renovate the 700 building on Hall's campus
- Re-turf Scott Field
- Cosmetic remodel of Cirks Arena
- Develop architectural plans for all of the proposed programs to be housed on the Hall campus
- Explore child care program idea

2026-27

- Hamilton Learning Academy relocates and begins to operate on the Hall campus.
- ACC program continues campus operations

2026-27 continued

- LRSD Virtual program continues operations
- Non-Traditional Hybrid High School - 11th and 12th grade only
- Parkview utilizes Scott Field and Arena for home games

2027-28

- Adult Education programs begin operations at Hall
- Non-Traditional Hybrid High School fully operational with 9-12th grade students.







Timeline of Activities



9/15 - 9/24

Online Community Idea Solicitation

Week of 9/15

- In-person 10th & 11th grade Hall-West student meeting and student surveys administered
- In-person Hall-West after school staff meeting

9/23 from 6p-7p @ Hall-West SOI

 Hall Parent/Guardian and Community Stakeholder Meeting

9/24 from 6p-7p @ Hall-West SOI

 The Tribe and Neighborhood Association Community Meeting

9/25

 LRSD Board Meeting - Board will be provided feedback from stakeholder meetings, ideas generated online, and will continue deliberations and discussions on the recommendation.

9/26 - 10/2

Based on guidance from the Board, the LRSD administration will continue making adjustments to the plan and/or the recommendation.

10/3 - 10/5

Final recommendation for Hall-West SOI and final plan for the repurposing of the Hall campus detailed in the 10/9 special board meeting agenda.

10/9 - LRSD Special Board Meeting

Board takes action on the recommendation and plan.



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