

West Contra Costa Unified School District Fact Sheet: School closure information | November 13, 2008

The district's enrollment has been dropping since 2002-03: 2002-03: 34,940
2003-04: 33,645
2004-05: 32,717
2005-06: 32,184
2006-07: 31,539
2007-08: 30,830

5-year enrollment decrease: 4,110 students or 11.76%

- Closing schools is one part of a balanced approach to address the district's structural deficit. This will include sale of properties, containing benefit costs, and reducing services.
- The district's approved budget commits the district to realizing savings of \$1.5 million in each of the next two years by closing some schools in 2009-10 and 2010-11.
- Projected savings: \$300,000 per elementary; \$800,000 per middle or high school
- Public hearings will begin in January.
- Board to make decision by mid-February.
- The district has more schools with fewer students in each school than comparable districts.

District	Elementary	Middle	High
West Contra Costa	429	686	1,298
Mt. Diablo	534	812	1,737
San Jose	551	1,115	1,402
Fremont	602	932	1,944
Long Beach	716	1,114	4,232

## **Average School Enrollment**

• Further information on issues related to school closures, including the district's fiscal condition, is posted at: <a href="https://www.wccusd.net/fiscal/SchClose11-12-08.pdf">www.wccusd.net/fiscal/SchClose11-12-08.pdf</a>.