

**SCHOOL: WILSON-PACIFIC**

**RECOMMENDATION:** Relocate programs from John Marshall (except Seattle Evening School) to Wilson-Pacific

**SECTION 1: SCHOOL PROFILE**

**A. Educational Profile**

The complex of buildings currently houses a number of different programs and services, including: Homeschool Resource Center, Indian Heritage Middle College program, Preschool Special Education program, North Enrollment Service Center, Traffic Education, and Technology offices.

**B. Facility**

- **Location:** 1330 N 90<sup>th</sup> Street, 98103
- **Site size:** 16.8 acres
- **Year Constructed:** 1953, with additions in 1957 and 1959
- **Building type and size:** Junior High School (110,829 square feet)
- **Portables:** No
- **Handicap Accessibility:** Rated poor
- **Planning Capacity:** 836 students
- **Adjacent Park:** No
- **Child care:** No dedicated child care facilities on site
- **Study and survey building condition score (out of 100 possible points): 56.4**
- **Discussion:** Wilson-Pacific was evaluated by Meng Analysis for the 2002 Study and Survey and was rated as poor or unsatisfactory in the following areas – exterior windows/doors; floors, walls and ceilings; fire control capability; fire alarm system; and emergency lighting.
- **Most recent capital work:** Wilson-Pacific received roof replacement in 1999 and athletic fields upgrade in 2002.
- **Planned capital work:** Immediate boiler repair is needed to open kitchen for use by child nutrition services for AM/PM food service.
- **Self-Help projects of note:** Not applicable
- **Comments:** The building may require substantial upgrades for secondary school specialty spaces depending on class offerings. Wilson-Pacific was constructed in 1953 by the Shoreline School District for use as a junior high school. It was closed as a regular junior high in 1978 and has housed a variety of special education and multiple office uses. Wilson is 51 years old. The building is near the end of its design lifespan. The Seattle Public School design lifespan is 50 years. If the building is to remain in operation as a secondary school facility, it would be considered for replacement/renovation in the next major capital levy, BEX III, scheduled to go to the voters in February 2007. Based on historical average costs for secondary school construction, replacing the facility would cost an estimated \$27 to \$35 million (in 2005 dollars).

**C. Enrollment/Demographics**

Not applicable.

## SECTION 2: RECOMMENDATION AND IMPACTS

**A. Recommendation:** Relocate programs (other than the Evening High School) primarily to Wilson-Pacific. Indian Heritage High School and Homeschool Resource Center will remain at Wilson-Pacific; relocate special education preschools; other programs at Wilson-Pacific may be relocated as necessary to provide space for programs relocated from the John Marshall building.

**B. Financial Effects**

- **Initial Savings:** Relocation of staff and cost of Marshall administration (\$279,240)
- **On-going Savings:** Ongoing administrative costs (\$276,440)

**C. Educational Impact**

With the proposed closure of John Marshall and the relocation of the John Marshall programs to Wilson-Pacific (see discussion under John Marshall), the special education preschools, as well as certain administrative functions currently located in the Wilson-Pacific building, will need to be relocated.

We recommend relocating the preschools to neighborhood elementary schools. The precise sites have not been finalized, as the unique needs of the students in these programs must be taken into account when choosing a facility. However, a number of neighborhood elementary schools have facilities that potentially could house these students. It is anticipated that this move will benefit these students and staff, as they will be housed in an elementary school where the students will have more access to typically developing peers, and where the staff will have opportunities to collaborate with colleagues than they have now.

In addition to relocating preschools, certain administrative functions that are currently housed in the Wilson-Pacific building will be relocated. The preschool itinerant staff will be relocated to the John Stanford Center for Educational Excellence in 2006-7, and sites will be found for the other uses of the building.

We also recommend that the Homeschool Resource Center and the Indian Heritage Program remain in the Wilson-Pacific building, co-located with the John Marshall programs.

**D. Demographic and Integration Effects**

The relocation of the all-city Marshall programs to Wilson-Pacific is not anticipated to result in changes to the student demographics.

**E. Facility Effects**

- **Impacts to community use:** None
- **Proposed site classification of the building:** No change (essential)