SPS Seeking Community Input on
Mercer International Middle School Overcrowding

Online feedback form available

SEATTLE – Seattle Public Schools is seeking input from families of current and future students in the Asa Mercer International Middle School area as the district develops potential solutions to mitigate overcrowding at the school.

For the past several years, Mercer International has had an enrollment that exceeds building capacity.

Southeast Seattle families are encouraged and welcome to provide online feedback at www.seattleschools.org/mercer-capacity.

In addition to the online form, the web page provides detailed information about the project, including an explanatory video that can be accessed in English, Cantonese, Somali and Spanish.

Public input key to developing potential plans.

After gathering public input, staff recommendations will be presented to the SPS Board of Directors on Dec. 3, 2020, with a final decision expected from the board prior to SPS open enrollment in Feb. 2021.

Overview

- Asa Mercer International Middle School
  1600 S. Columbian Way
  Seattle, WA 98108
- Current school building was designed for 792 students.
• October 2020 enrollment - 1,185 students.
• 24 classrooms in portables and repurposed space are used now.
• Capacity exists at neighboring middle schools: Aki Kurose Middle School and Washington Middle School.
• Voter-approved, levy-funded new 1,000 seat school building scheduled to open in 2025.

More information: [www.seattleschools.org/mercer-capacity](http://www.seattleschools.org/mercer-capacity)

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