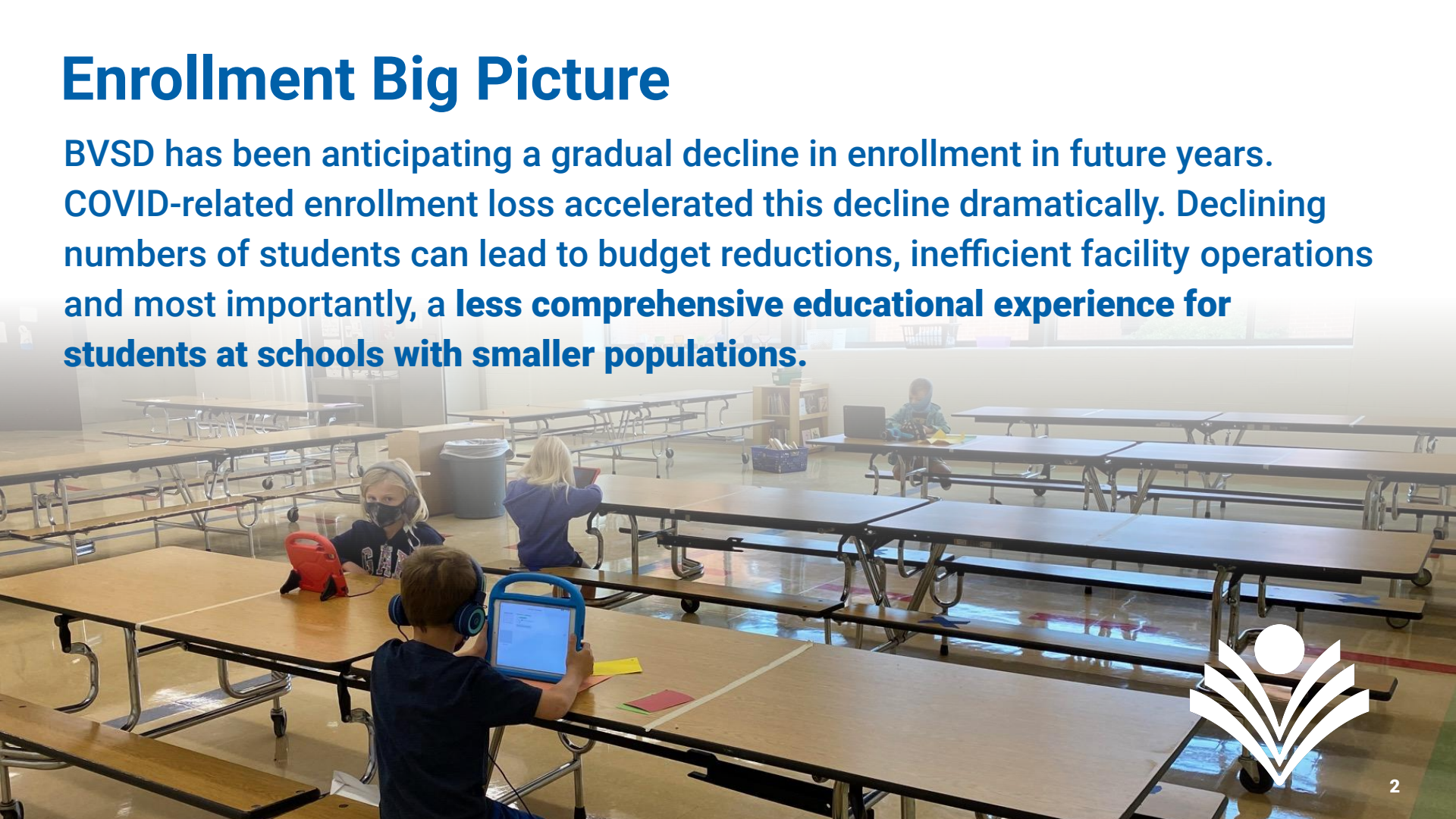
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Enrollment Big Picture

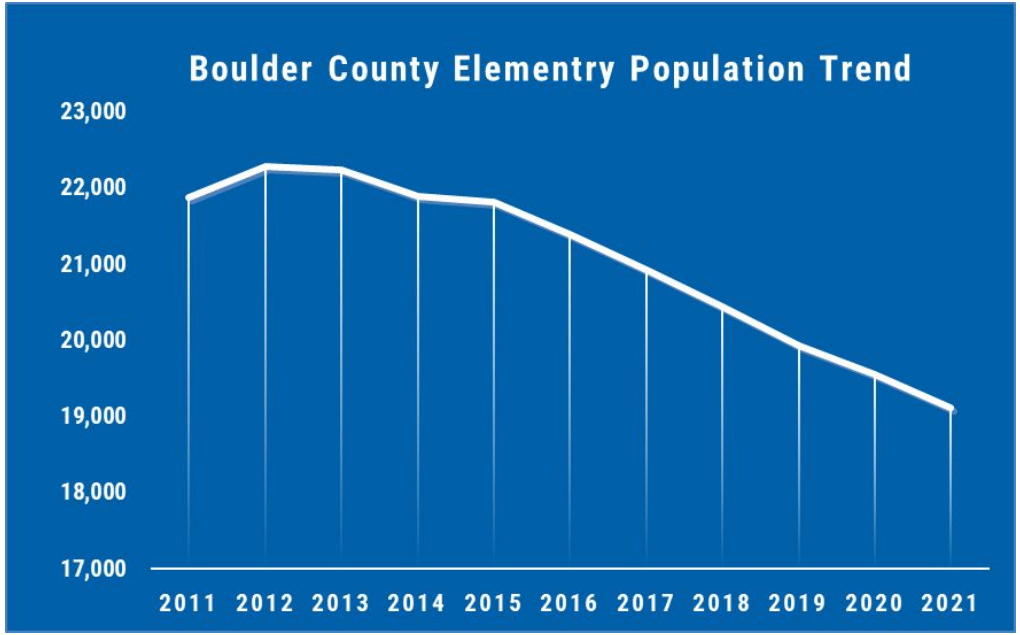
BVSD has been anticipating a gradual decline in enrollment in future years. COVID-related enrollment loss accelerated this decline dramatically. Declining numbers of students can lead to budget reductions, inefficient facility operations and most importantly, a **less comprehensive educational experience for students at schools with smaller populations.**

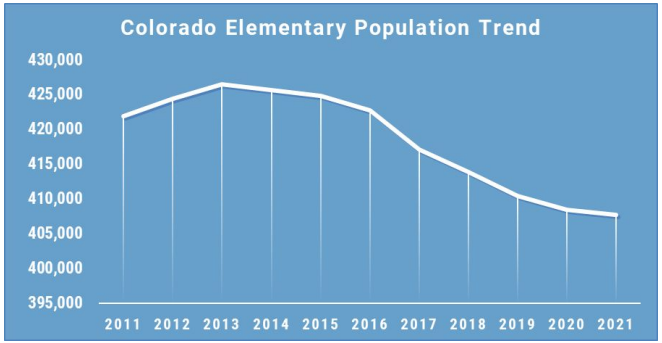


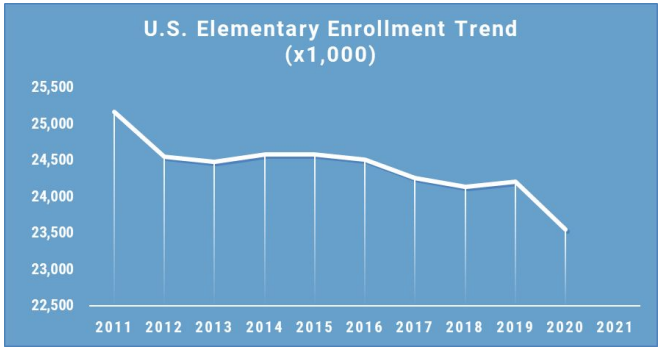
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District Level Enrollment Patterns

Elementary County, State, and National Trends

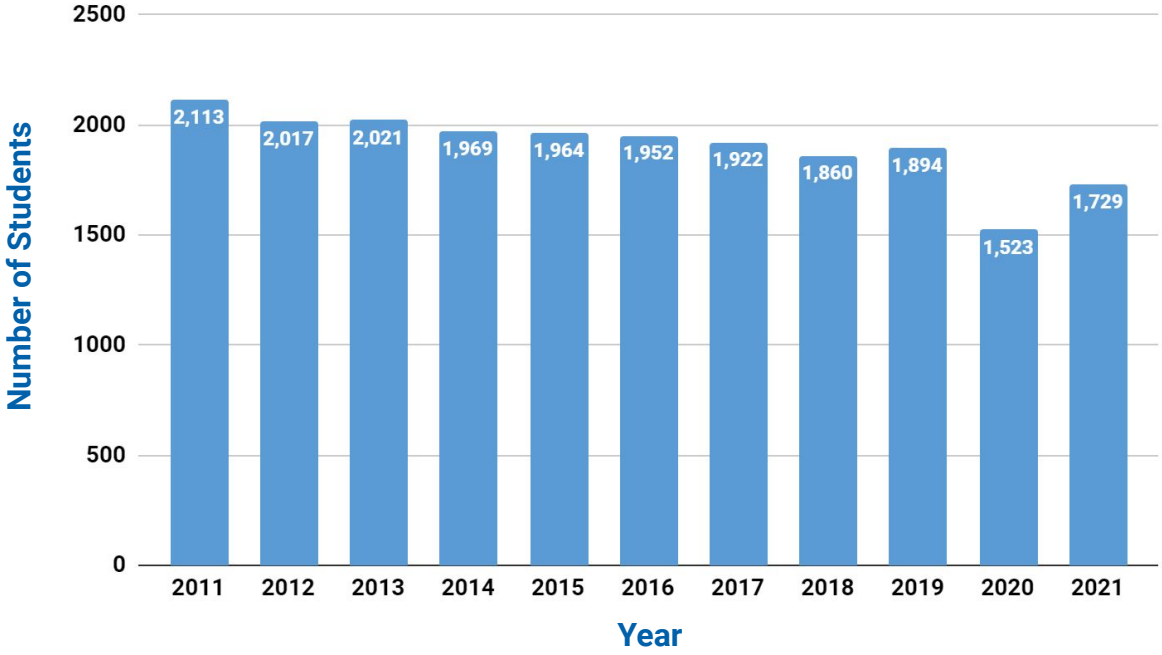






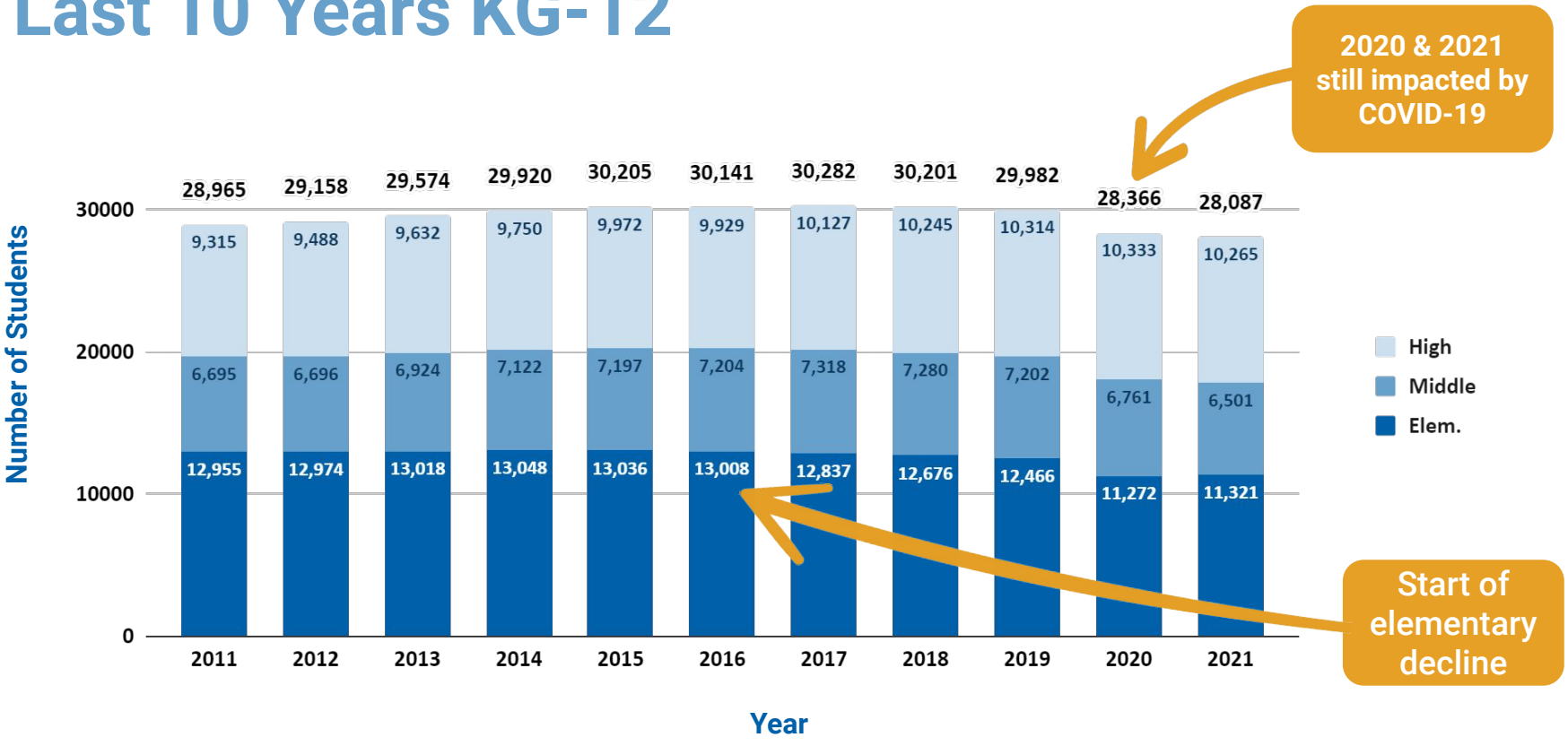
Source: Colorado Dept. of Local Affairs & U.S Census Bureau (Current Population Surveys)

Kindergarten Trend

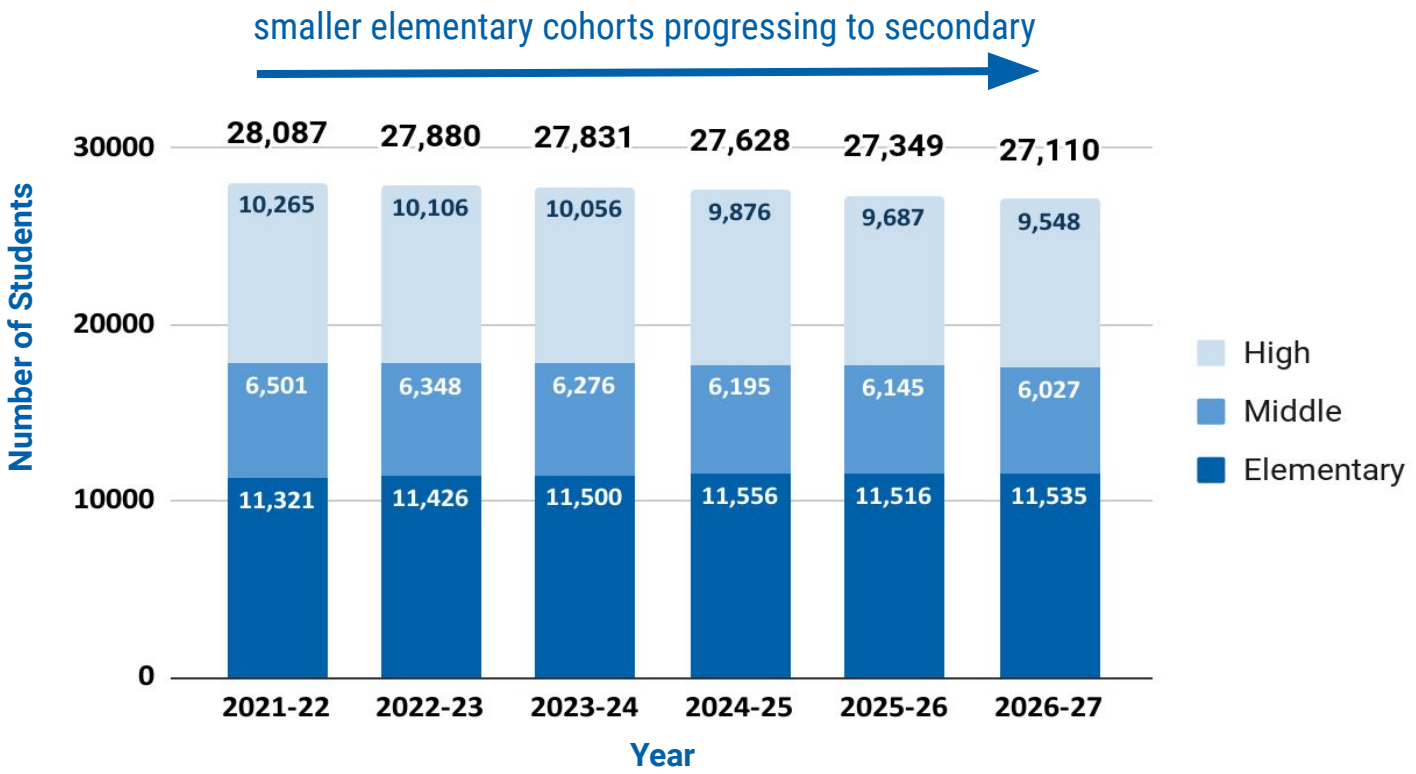




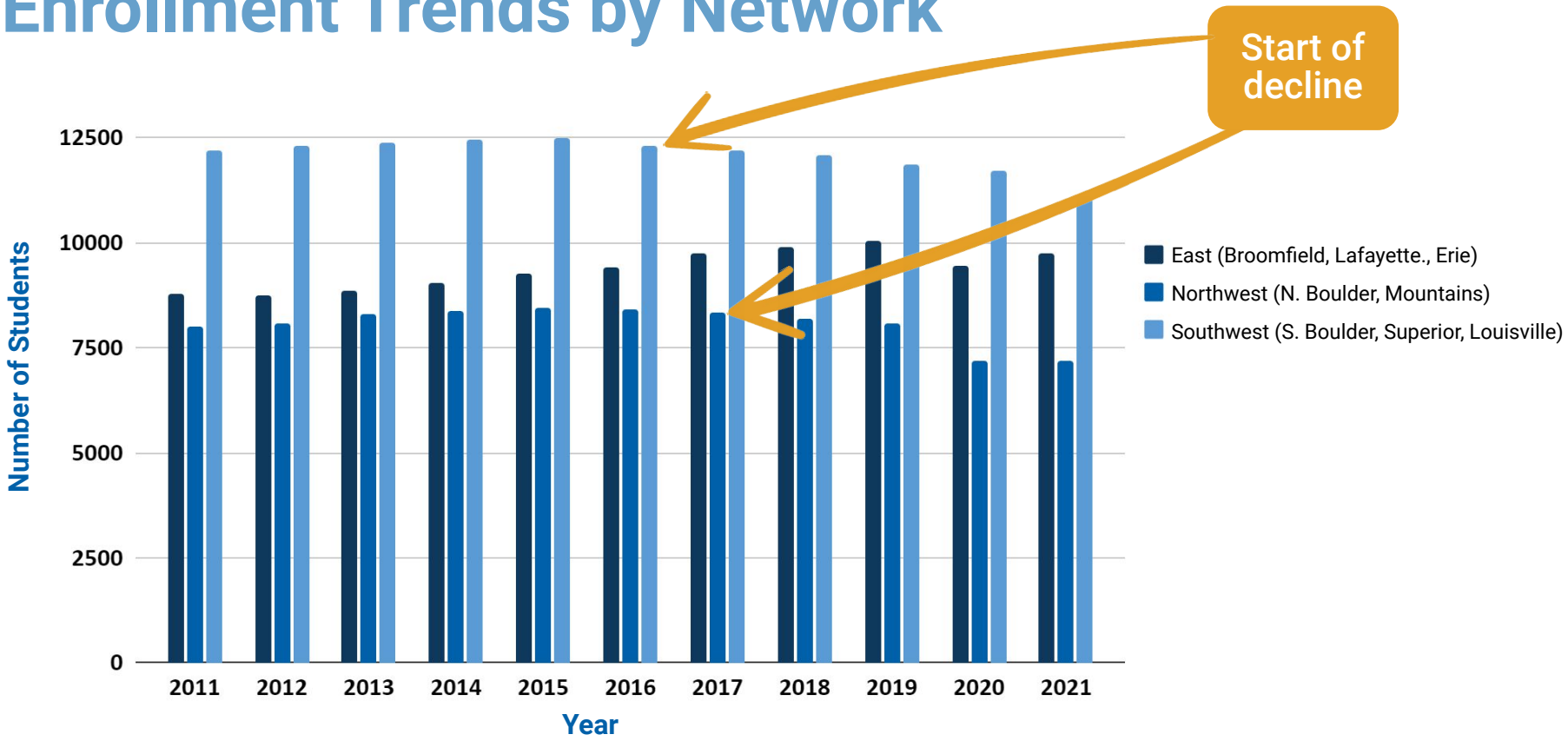
Last 10 Years KG-12



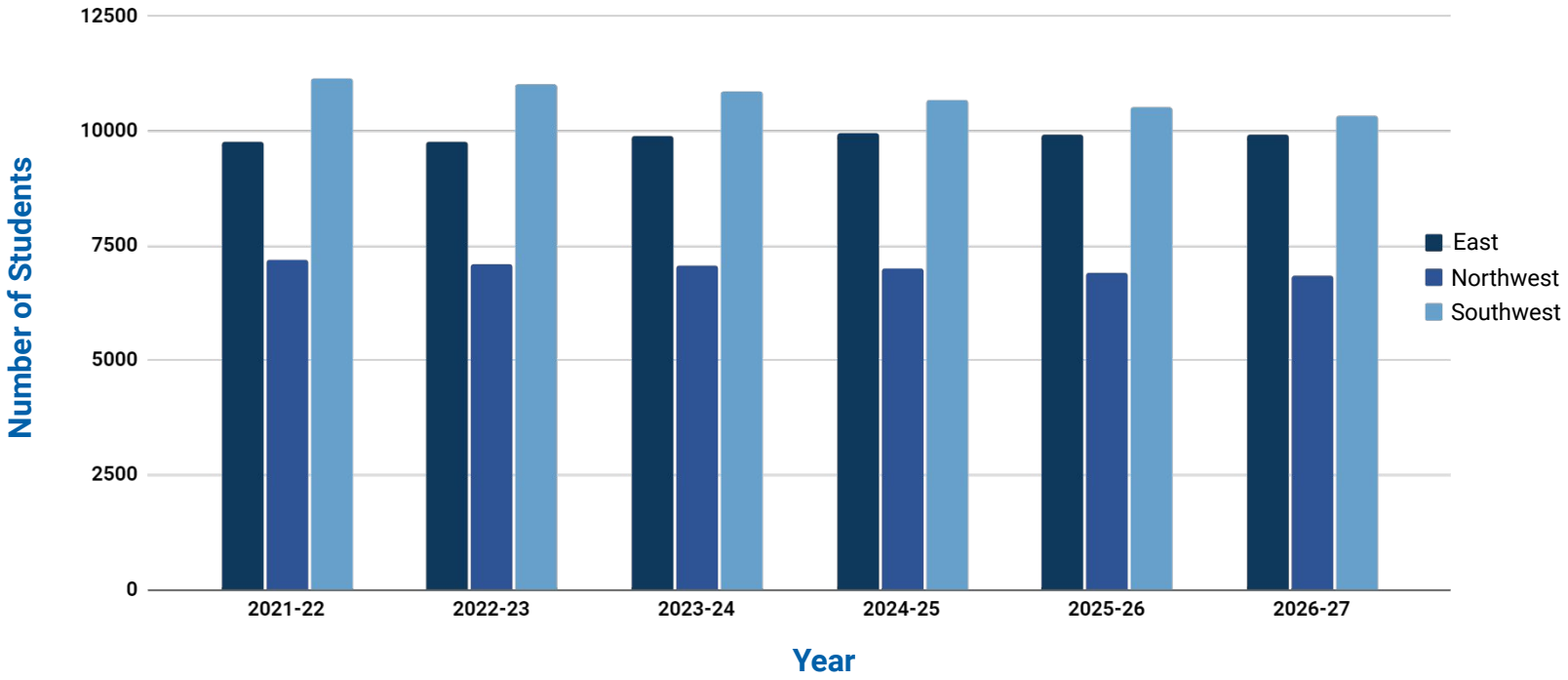
5-Year Projections KG-12



Enrollment Trends by Network

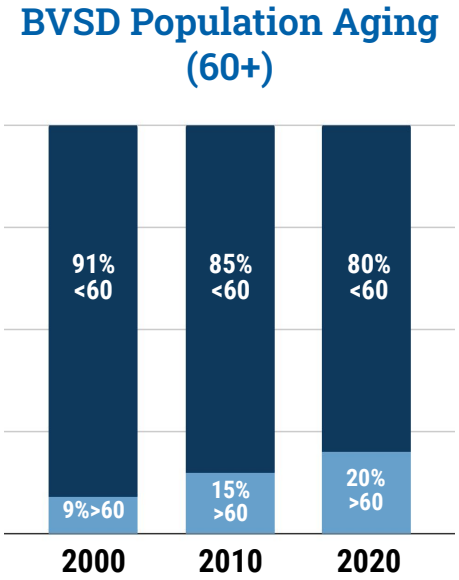


Projected Trends by Network



Declining Enrollment Causes

- Declining birth rates (national, state & local trend) & fewer kindergarteners
- Continuing COVID-19 impacts including lower net migration and students shifted to online, private, or other options outside BVSD.
- Dwindling housing opportunities due to low inventory, aging population, and high cost.
- More housing opportunities in surrounding districts



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Impacts of Enrollment Change

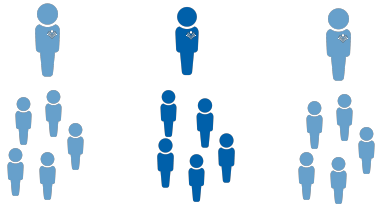
Budget Impacts

- Each 1% drop in enrollment (300 students) = ~$3M Loss
- Averaging formula in School Finance Act softens the impact of declining enrollment over multiple years
- Each 1% drop in enrollment = 12 fewer teacher FTE standard staffing formulas
- Non-linear staffing (administration, operational support, etc.) is slower to adjust than direct services to students
- Optimal school size to generate economies of scale and improve student and staff experience

Elementary School Programmatic Impacts

Three Round

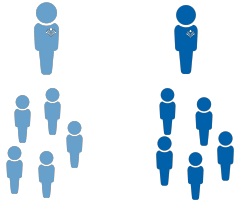
Grade 1



- ABC Specials rotation
- Instrumental music
- Ideal for programming

Two Round

Grade 1



- Traveling teachers
- Scheduling limitations
- Programming limitations

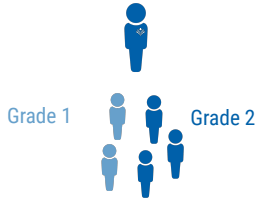
One Round

Grade 1



- Limited teacher collaboration
- Lack of “elbow room”
- More programming limitations

Multi Grade



- Yearly change
- Complex planning for teachers

Complexity of the Issue

- Colorado School Choice Law (open enrollment)
  - Community expectations regarding Open Enrollment
  - School Board policy
- Housing
  - Availability and turnover
  - Prices
- Demographic Trends
  - Housing unit yields
  - Delayed childbirth
- System-Wide vs. Regional vs. Individual School enrollment

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Next Steps

Stakeholder Engagement - Working Group

- 15 - 20 people
- Third-party facilitator
- District Representatives: Rob Price, Bill Sutter, Glen Segrue, Robbyn Fernandez
- Principal Representatives
- Regional Parent Representatives
- DAC Representative
- DPC Representative
- Equity Committees (CAPL, Equity Committee, POCC)
- Employee Associations
- Students

Tentative Initial Timeline

