

## GENERAL

There have been three recent reviews of the pupil enrollments for the Natick School System. Initial comparisons and projections were done by Rickes Associates (RA) and New England School Development Council (NESDEC). As part of this study, the enrollment comparisons and projections were evaluated and a third review was done by Merrimack Educational Consultants (MEC). The NESDEC Study indicates a leveling of student population. This study was done utilizing the Cohort Survival Method only.

However, both studies performed by RA and MEC indicate a consistent rise in pupil enrollment with a peak of close to 1,400 students to be realized in 2010-2011. Each of these studies incorporated factors such as housing starts, future building permits and potential development within town.

Enrollment Projection Comparison - By Grade Grouping												
School Year	Total	MEC			Total	RA			Total	NESDEC		
		K-4	5-8	9-12		K-4	5-8	9-12		K-4	5-8	9-12
99-2000	4264	1857	1370	1037	4263	1887	1351	1025	4162	1857	1300	1005
2000-01	4363	1921	1372	1070	4368	1889	1436	1043	4147	1754	1358	1035
2001-02	4486	1957	1393	1136	4460	1913	1449	1097	4336	1914	1351	1071
2002-03	4556	1996	1398	1162	4622	1967	1480	1175	4432	1949	1360	1123
2003-04	4634	2002	1409	1223	4707	2027	1473	1207	4483	1989	1358	1136
2004-05	4693	2020	1448	1225	4801	2035	1484	1282	4553	2006	1361	1186
2005-06	4733	2019	1474	1240	4863	2044	1527	1292			1398	1179
2006-07	4780	2008	1525	1247	4898	2036	1543	1319			1423	1186
2007-08					4931	2012	1606	1313			1472	1186
2008-09					4920	1981	1615	1324			1482	1188
2009-10												

Enrollment Projection Comparison - TOTALS						
School Year	MEC		RA		NESDEC	
	Proj. Enroll.		Proj. Enroll.		Proj. Enroll.	Diff. MEC vs. RA
99-2000	4264		4263		4183	1
2000-01	4363		4368		4268	-5
2001-02	4486		4460		4357	26
2002-03	4556		4822		4453	-66
2003-04	4634		4707		4504	-73
2004-05	4693		4801		4574	-108
2005-06	4733		4863			-130
2006-07	4780		4898			-118
2007-08			4931			
2008-09			4920			
2009-10						