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My name is Sahra Bolbolan ,and I am a DAP (Discovery After-school Program) teacher and parent of students at DCS.

Discovery Charter School will seek an amendment in Dec to increase enrollment by 99 students at our Hillpointe campus.

I would like to share some things about our school that are not obvious on state reports.

Reasons why it should be approved:

- Demographics are and GROWING:
- o 30% FRL
- 16% IEP
- 60% Non white
- Over 37 zip codes represented
- We provide a bus for our 35 middle schoolers from our 89121 campus to the Hillpointe campus. We keep our school community together. This 89121 campus is growing.
- Enrollment
- 0 2019-20 380
- 0 2020-21 452
- 0 2021-22 466
- 0 2022-23 499
- Facilities
- o 3 classrooms must instruct outside
- All specialists are on a cart
- SPED is operating out of closet/hallway/former office space
- o Cafeteria is outside

The children are outside is harsh winter weather and extreme heat in the summer.

- o Every class is occupied during instructional hours
- After school program averages 60 students per day and operates outside for the majority of the time due to afterschool programs Mon-Thur.

Working in the after school program, I can tell you that having lot of children and having to keep changing classrooms every few weeks it can be bit challenging for ex;

1. Not all classroom sizes are the same and we can not fit all children. We have to wait for

some children to leave to be able to fit.

- 2. Parents are not aware where to come pick up the children because we have to constantly change classrooms for DAP.
- No additional conference, office or storage for additional services such as counseling, planning
- Waitlist continues to grow for middle school and kindergarten

My children and I love this school and want to see it grow. There are so many great things going on at DCS. I, as a teacher and parent, want to see DCS grow and thrive. Our students deserve to have this extra space, that will give them extra opportunities to grow and learn.

Thank you, Sahra Bolbolan