

Notable Findings

Geolytics “Demographic Trends and Enrollment Projections” Report – 2022

The attached Geolytics geodemographic report describes past and current demographic trends for the Village of River Forest, and models District 90 school enrollment projections for the coming decade. The report should be reviewed and considered in its entirety. However, this document is intended to draw attention to particularly significant findings. These include:

- The geodemographer noted a gradual overall population decline in River Forest from 2000 (11,635) to 2020 (10,883)
- The population of children under 5 years of age and between 10-14 has been inconsistent between 2000 and 2020
- The population of children between 5-9 years of age has decreased notably between 2000 (919) and 2020 (619)
- Total District 90 student enrollment has decreased approximately 90 students from 2019-20 (1467) to 2022-23 (1374)
- The largest District 90 kindergarten enrollment since 2011 occurred in 2017-18 (138), and the smallest in 2022-23 (89)
- The historical increase in District 90 enrollment from kindergarten to 8th grade is due to families moving into the community or shifting to public school from private/parochial school or home instruction
- The average annual enrollment increase from kindergarten to 1st grade in the years between 2015-16 and 2022-23 is 28.6 students
- The total enrollment at Roosevelt Middle School remains remarkably consistent over the last 8 years (variable of 35 students)
- For the next 10 years, Geolytics “expects the school district enrollment to be slightly less but very steady at about the 1,300 student level”

Source: *River Forest Public Schools District 90 Demographic Trends and Enrollment Projections*,
Prepared by Geolytics, Inc. Katia Segre Cohen, Consulting Demographer. October 2022