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I plan to attend in person but was not sure if I was also supposed to comment here. This is regarding overcrowding at our local schools while builder continue to build more homes without thought about where the children in those homes will attend school.

- According to Mr. Felten at Reunion Elementary, the school is at 105% capacity. They are turning the art room and the computer room into classrooms for 1st grade. He did not have an answer for me as to where art/computer class would be held only that they would be in person and not online.
- Mr. Felten stated there were roughly 120 students who had choiced into Reunion Elementary. He claims that most of these kids' home school is Second Creek and if he sent them back to their home school then Second Creek would be in our same situation. I called Second Creek today and they are at 90% capacity and still allowing for open enrollment into their school. We should not allow people to choice into a school that is over capacity.
- Another very concerning fact was discovered that when Oakwood took over as the master developer they stopped paying in to the CFFF (Capital Facility Fee Foundation) that pays a large portion of the cost to build schools in 27J. Other builders have followed suit in a scary trend and now Lokal and Tri Pointe are also not paying into the CFFF.

We seem to be at a tipping point here where our schools simply cannot support the builders' lust for development and money. I am asking the City Council to help find a resolution to this problem.