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The School Board continually brings up the nearby Windermere Prep. School which is located approximately one mile to the east of this proposed site in the rural settlement. There are noteworthy differences between the two. WP is a private K-12 school with 425 high school students, and a maximum student capacity of 1,200 students. They do not have a stadium. Their architecture and design was established to complement the rural settlement, and is consistent with a style that reflects and is compatible with buildings in Gotha, Winter Garden and Windermere. Most buildings even have front porches on them. All buildings are one story with the exception of one two story classroom building. The total sq. footage is 250,000.

Like Windermere Prep. did, OCPS could also mutually agree to an agreed upon permanent student capacity. It is abundantly clear that they do NOT want to do this. There needs to be discussion with OCPS & this board about this, and also the risk of an unlimited number of portables.

Although Windermere Prep. is a private school, this board should follow these already approved conditions that have passed the test of time of consistency with the Comprehensive plan. We have consistently told OCPS that we are willing to work with them to build something comparable to Windermere Prep.

OCPS is not willing to consider building a high school even remotely similar to WP. Instead they have a priority of control, and insist on having their way without regard to zoning designations.