Siena School in Silver Spring buys site, plans to move

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The Siena School has purchased the nearby Boys and Girls Club building in Silver Spring to enable the school to expand.

Neighborhood associations supported the granting in April of a special exception to allow the school to operate at the new site, at 1300 Forest Glen Road.

The exception will allow the school to grow beyond its current enrollment of 80 students in grades 4 through 12 to as many as 225 students.

After renovating the property, Siena will have a gym, playing field, playground and space to expand.

The first of three phases of renovation is to begin immediately, according to school officials, who hope to complete the project and move in by late fall.

As part of the deal, the Boys and Girls Club will continue to meet in the building.