Medford High School

Abutters' Meeting

03/18/2026



Agenda

- Introductions
- Project Scope
- Timeline
- Investigations performed to date
- Community Input to date
- Q&A

Medford Comprehensive School Building Committee

The School Committee appointed a **25-member committee** in April of 2024, comprised of Medford's educational leaders, elected and city officials, and community members with expertise across the core subject areas needed to guide this program forward.

Voting Members

Joan Bowen, Director of Pupil Services
Libby Brown, Architect, LEED accredited professional and parent
Marta Cabral, Medford High School Principal
Maria D'Orsi, Medford High School staff member and grandparent
Marissa Desmond, Project manager, architect and parent
Dr. Suzanne B Galusi, Interim Superintendent
Jenny Graham, SBC Chair, School Committee member and parent
Brian Hilliard, Architect with MSBA experience and parent
Emily Lazzaro, City Councilor and parent
Ken Lord, Chief Operations Officer for Medford Public Schools
Mayor Breanna Lungo-Koehn, Mayor of Medford and parent
Paul Melone, Parent and performing arts management experience
Nicole Morell, Communications and sustainability expert and parent
Aaron Olapade, School Committee member
Luke Preisner, Engineer and parent

Non-Voting Members

Bob Dickinson, City of Medford Finance Director
Chad Fallon, Director of Career & Technical Education
Laurie Hodgdon, Principal of Curtis Tufts High School
Fiona Maxwell, City of Medford Chief Procurement Officer
John McLaughlin, Director of Facilities
Lisa Miller, CTE teacher & parent
Will Pipicelli, Director of Communications
Paul Ruseau, School Committee member and parent
Philippe Santos, Civil Engineer and parent
Dr. Kim Talbot, Assistant Superintendent of Academics and Instruction for MPS

Past Members

Larry Brown, Retired MHS CTE teacher
Tracy Keene, MPS parent
Dr. Marice Edouard-Vincent, Former MPS Superintendent
Dr. Peter Cushing, Former MPS Assistant Superintendent for Enrichment and Innovation
Thomas Dalton, Former MPS Communications Director

OPM & Design Team

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Jen Carlson
Project Director



Matt Gulino
Project Manager

SMMA



Matt Rice
Principal-in-Charge



Michael Pardek
Architect

Agency



Helen Fantini
Project Manager



Laura Swan
Civil Engineer



Kate Tooke
Landscape Architect

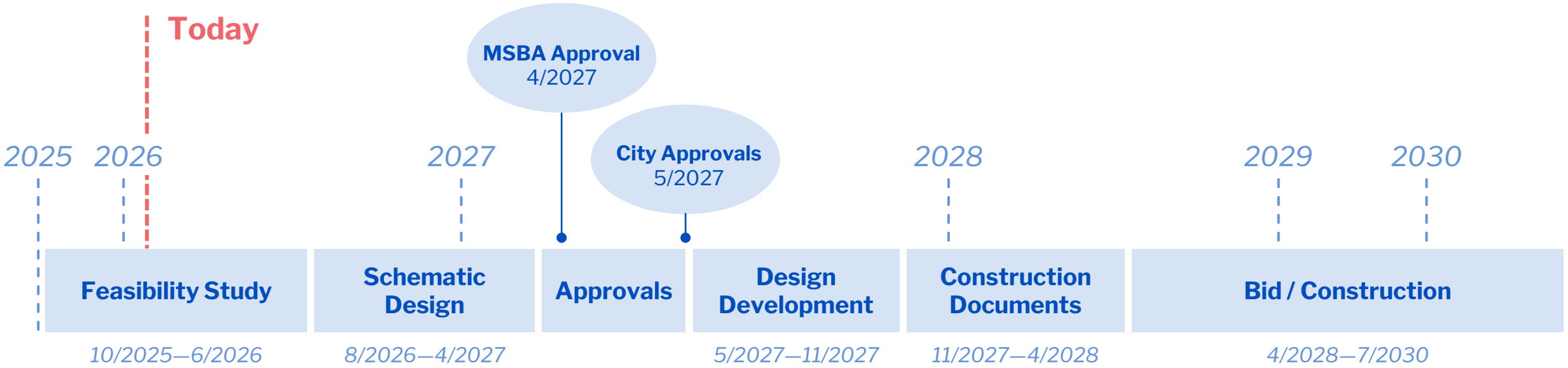
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Project Scope

An all-new or reimagined Medford High School will:

- Accommodate 1,395 students grades 9-12
- Centralize Medford Early Childhood programs on site (200 PK students)
- Increase CTE (Career Technical Education) programs from 15 to 19 and right-size the shop spaces
- Address site and building accessibility to create an inclusive environment
- Replace 55-year old building systems with code-compliant, energy efficient systems
- Provide safe and secure learning and community spaces
- Improve Collaborative learning spaces for students and teachers
- Connect intentionally to outdoor spaces

Project Timeline



Feasibility Study Key Dates

Preliminary Design Program (PDP) 2/25/2026 submitted to MSBA (awaiting review comments)
Preferred Schematic Report (PSR) 6/25/2026 submittal to MSBA

Schematic Design Key Dates

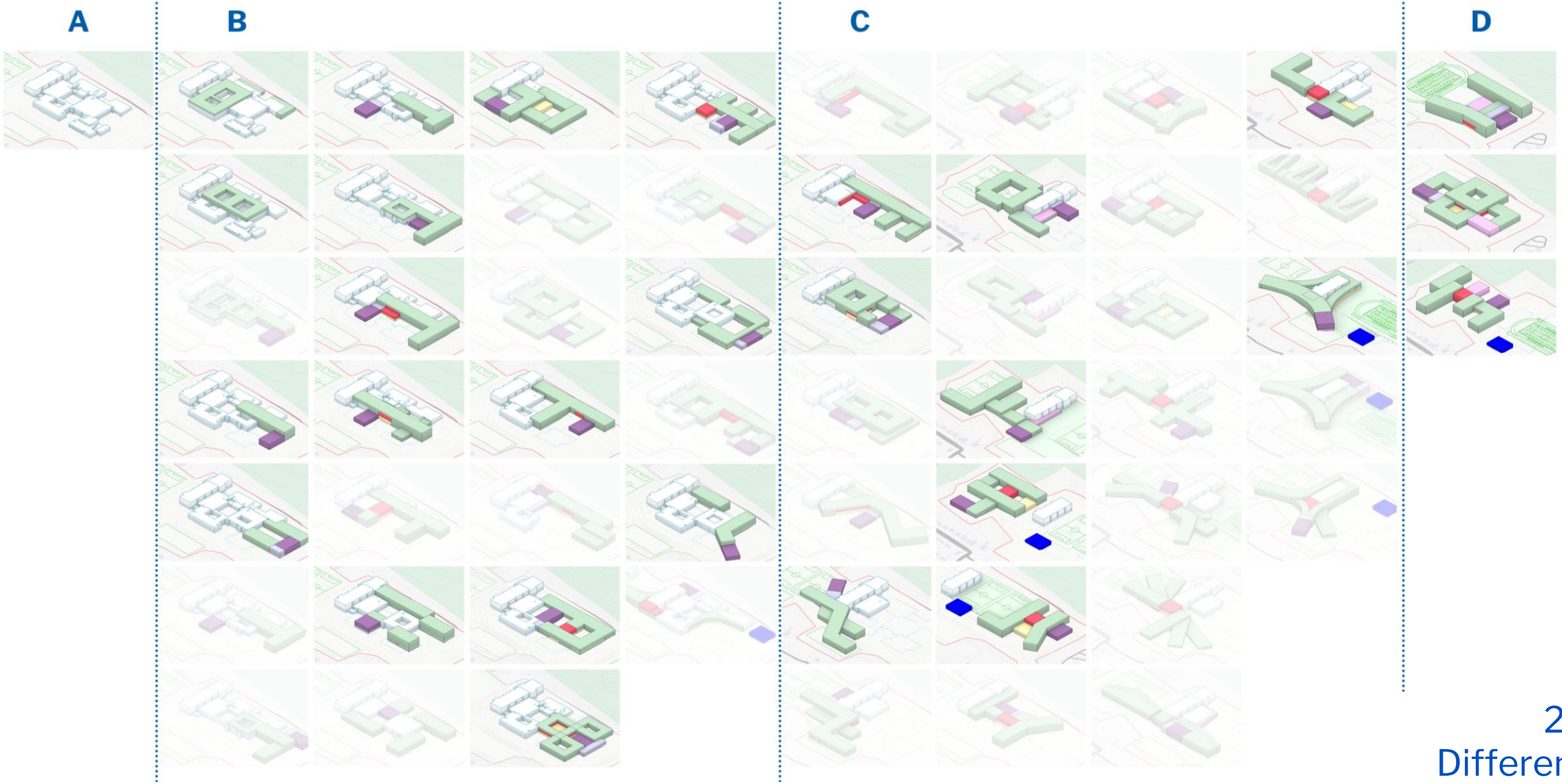
Schematic Design (SD) Deliverable 2/2027 submittal to MSBA

Site & Building Investigations

1. Traffic Study - complete
2. Geotech - ongoing
   - Borings - complete
   - Test Pits - complete
   - Geophysical (April)
3. Geoenvironmental
   - Phase I - complete
   - Phase II - in process
4. Site Survey - complete
5. Wetlands Delineation – complete
6. Environmental Noise – complete
7. Hydrant Flow test (April)



Alternatives for High Level Cost Estimating



29
Different
Cost Models were Estimated

B – Renovation & Addition Options

New Building Footprint *Existing Building Footprint*

Alt B.1.1



~$807M

B.1.2



~$825M

B.2.1



~$832M

B.2.2



~$840M

B.3.1



~$839M

B.3.2



~$853M

B.4.1



~$861M

B.4.2



~$875M

Alt B.5.1



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B.6.1



~$880M

B.6.2



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B.7.1



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C – Renovation & Addition Options

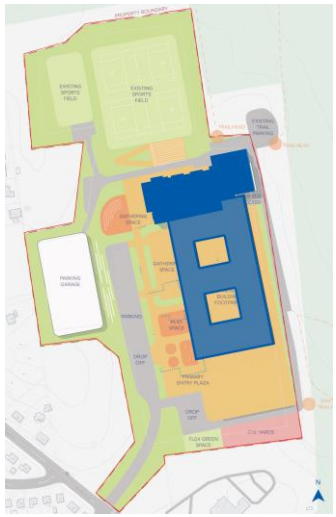
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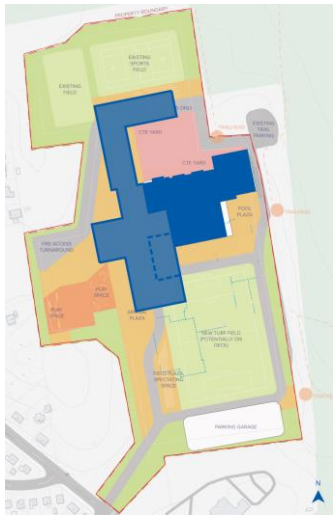
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C.3.3



~$815M

C.3.4



~$833M

D – New Building Options

New Building Footprint Existing Building Footprint

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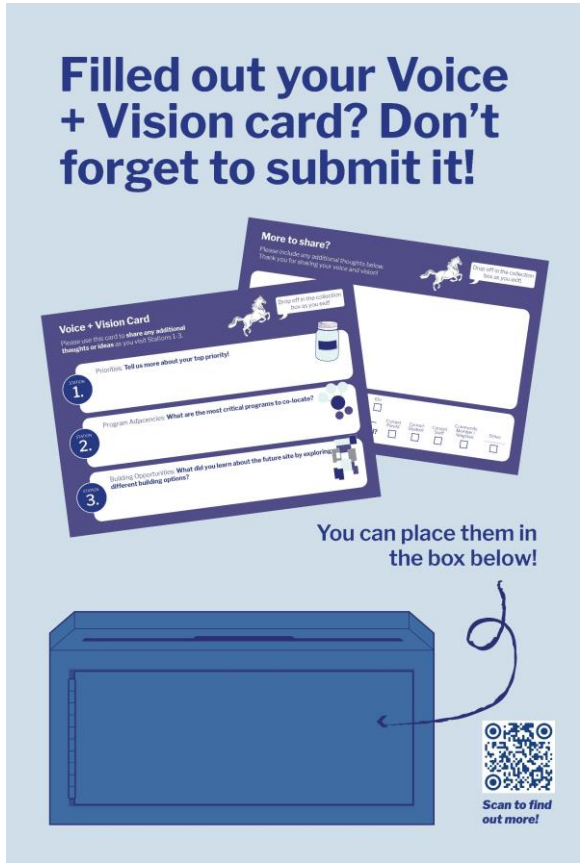


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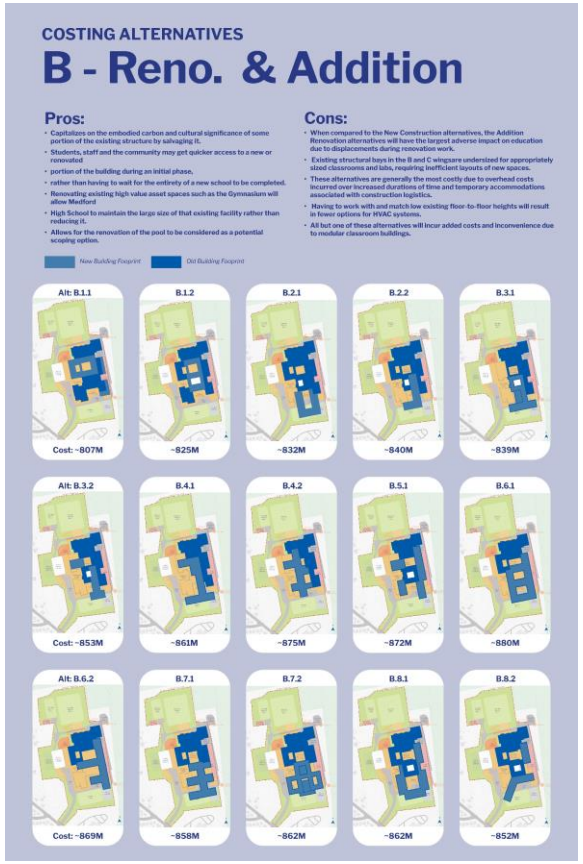
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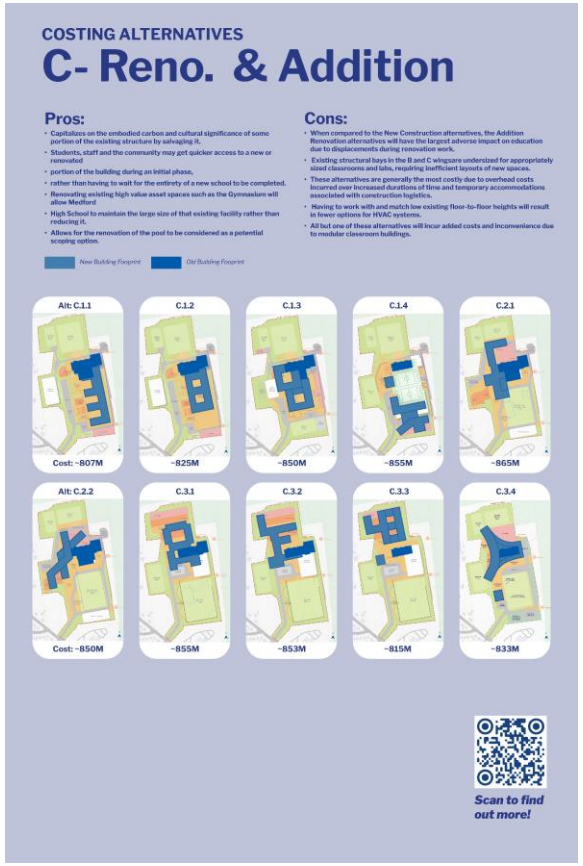
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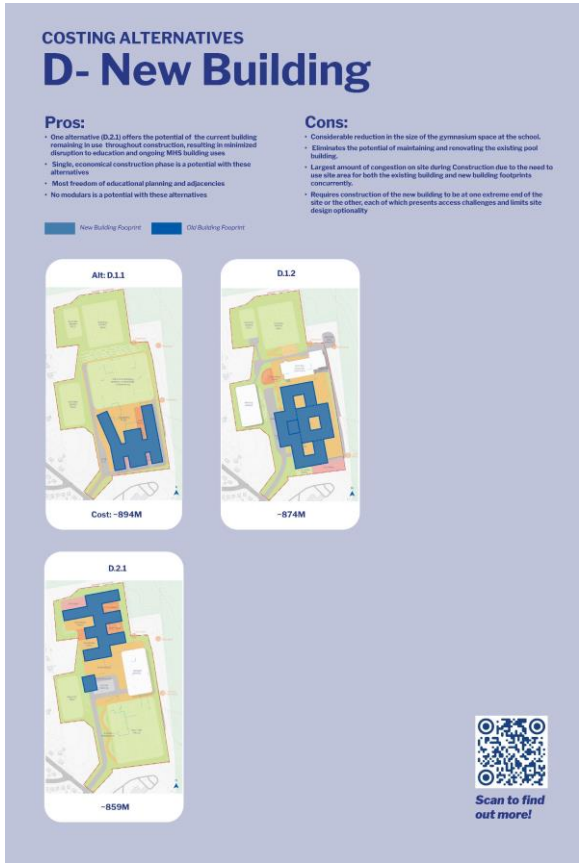
Submit Voice & Vision Cards



Design Alternative Boards and Dots







Q & A



Upcoming Meetings

- **3/18** (In Person) Abutters Meeting #1
- **3/23** (In Person) **MCHSBC** meeting to narrow options to 3-5
- **4/15 Community Meeting 3** process update and current list of alternatives
- **4/27** (In Person) **MCHSBC** meeting to review MSBA PDP comments & GSF
- **5/11 Community Meeting 4** process update and community questions
- **5/13** (In Person) Abutters Meeting #2
- **5/20** (In Person) **MCHSBC** meeting to review cost estimates
- **5/27** (In Person) **MCHSBC** meeting to review costs for options
- **6/3 Community Meeting 5** review of alternatives with cost information
- **6/10** (In Person) **MCHSBC** meeting to select a single option
- **6/18** (In Person) **MCHSBC** meeting to review and approve PSR submission

Thank you.



Site Topography and Trails



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Property Ownership

