



BUILDING Excellence

MADISON METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT 

Operations Work Group Update

April 16, 2018

“We will align MMSD’s school facilities with our strategic vision, beginning with a long-term blueprint to meet the changing facility needs of the District.”

Conditions and Context

- Aging **infrastructure and deferred maintenance**
- **Safety and security** infrastructure
- Enrollment **projections are stable**
 - Growth on far west side
- **Equity and proximity** to schools and services matter
- **Competition** from:
 - Other districts
 - Independent charters
 - Private/parochial
- Current and projected growth in **residential development and tax base**
- **Debt is low**; we can demonstrate that we can afford to invest

Capital Improvement Criteria

Informed by public engagement:

- Prioritize safety and accessibility
- Promote equity
- Support excellence
- Expand community use
- Bolster retention and recruitment
- Improve operational efficiency

Recommendations from Dec 2017

Major **high school** reinvestment

- Aging infrastructure
- Arts, Athletics, Academics
- Alternatives

Middle school options

- Maintenance issues
- Clarification from Dec 2017 update:
 - Possible MS expansion/additions in North, South, East, West
 - K-8 possibilities
 - Needs further study

Key **elementary** investments

- North, south, east, west sequencing
- Elementary program development (e.g. full-day 4K)
- **Example of sequencing:** Build in Allis South, build on Sprecher Rd, move boundary for students around Allis to Kennedy and Elvehjem, remodel/update Allis, move Nuestro Mundo into Allis

Initial Steps Since Dec 2017

- Acacia Ridge/Dohm property
- Review district boundaries
- Standing meetings with City of Madison Planning
- Closed session discussions on land acquisition
- Security planning

Path from April 2018 to Nov 2020

Key Milestones:

- Dec 2017 started a **3-year planning** process
- **Refine** Dec 2017 recommendations
 - Funding in 2018-19 for professional services
- **Public input** and reaction to draft proposals **in 2018-19**
- Refresh of **20-year projections** in Summer 2019
- Solid **proposals in Dec 2019**
- Determine **need for a referendum by May 2020**
- **Possible referendum vote in Nov 2020**

Board's Key Involvement

Focus **time and attention** to review and engage in the work:

- React to **Dec 2017 recommendations**
- Adopt a multi-year **planning calendar**
- Inform public **engagement content and goals**
- Authorize spending on **professional services**
- Approve **financial strategy**