DMSOUTDOOR IMPROVEMENTS

PROJECT PROPOSAL

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BACKGROUND & INTRODUCTION

- This project aims to revitalize six acres of outdoor facilities at Danville Middle School to better serve students and community.
- We believe in the potential of Danville Middle School and the Danville community to create a beautiful, useful space that provides benefits to all.



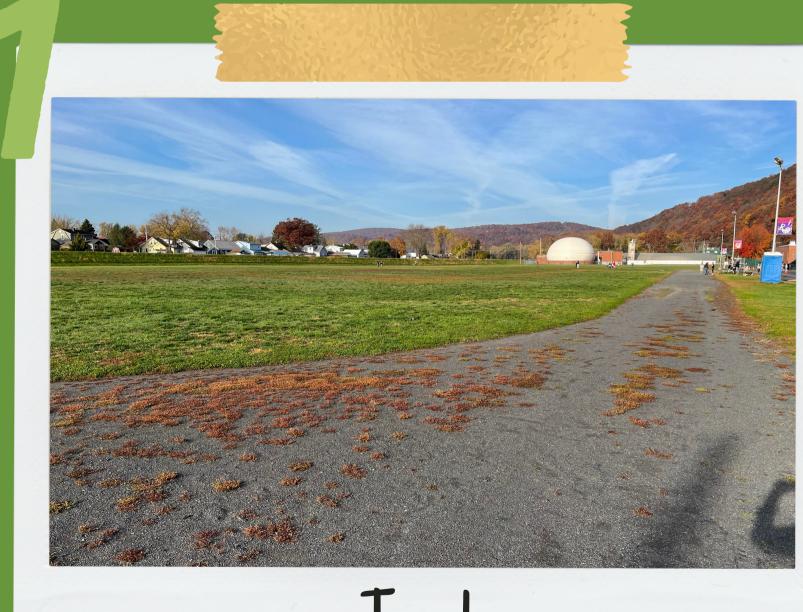
PROJECT SCOPE

This project would develop and revitalize the rear side of the school:

- Athletic Field
- Empty area adjacent to sewage treatment plant
- Tennis/Pickleball Courts



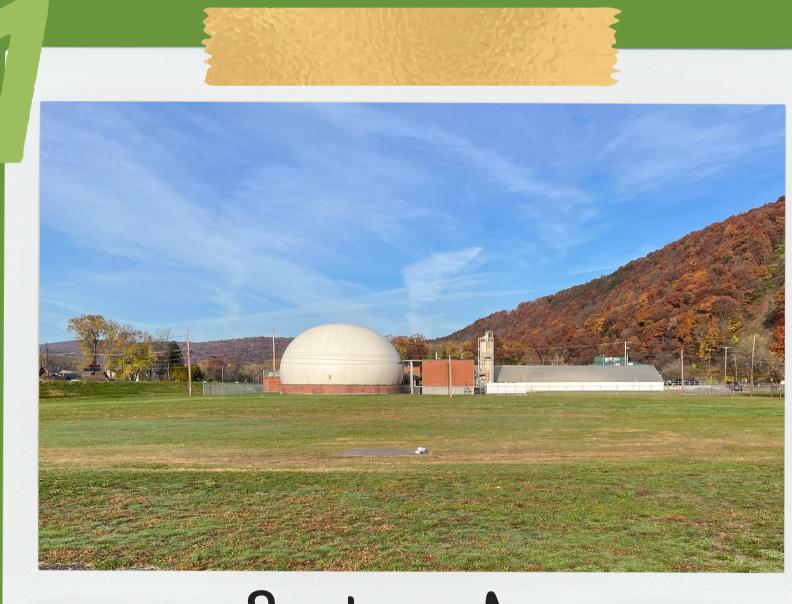
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Southwest Area



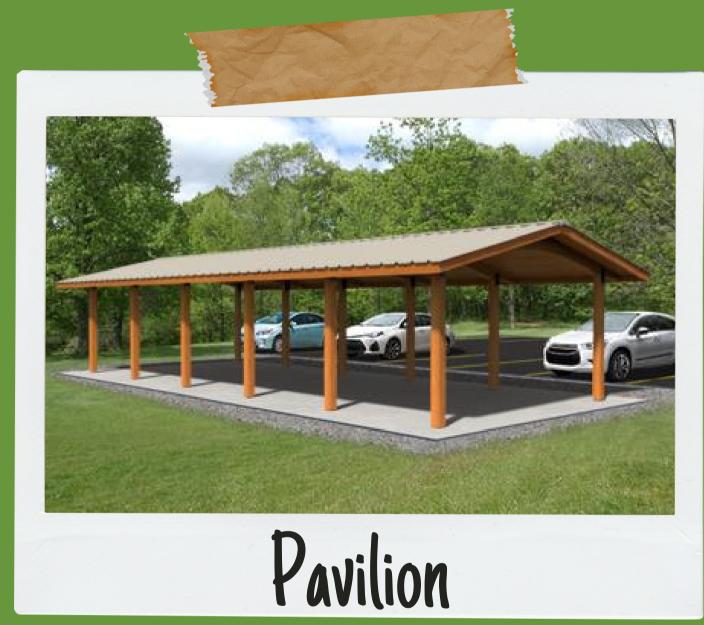
DMS "WE RISE"

Our goal is to revitalize and create a vibrant, multi-function, and low-maintenance green space to enhance the education, environment, and recreational opportunities for our students and community.

DMS SCHOOL COMMUNITY PARK



HIGHLIGHTED IMPROVEMENTS



The construction of a 20'x44' pavilion to serve as a learning space and as a meeting point for school and community events.



The creation of a 3,250 ft. walking/bike path that inspires students and community to exercise and enjoy 16 varieties of native trees.

HIGHLIGHTED IMPROVEMENTS



Five pieces of outdoor fitness equipment spaced around the walking trail.



Games and play installations such as Gaga Ball, Tether Ball, and playground equipment installed for recreational use.

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A school community garden for student learning and community use.



Benches, bike racks, picnic tables, iron heritage historical data signs, revitalized athletic areas, tree identification signs, and a mural to be installed, enhancing the value of the space.

PHASED IMPLEMENTATION

- Phase 1: 16 varieties of native trees planted (50 trees total), sitting benches and picnic tables placed, tree identification and historical data signs installed, and funding secured to hire a mural artist for a residency at DMS. Target: Spring 2023.
- Phase 2: installation of the pavilion, school/community garden, Tether Ball, Funnel Ball, GaGa Ball, and the walking path. Target: Spring 2024.
- Phase 3: complete installation of the play structures and remaining games, five pieces of outdoor fitness equipment, swing set, over-seeding athletic field, and repairs to the tennis/pickleball courts. Flexible target as funds become available.

USES AND FUNCTIONALITY

Positive & Safe Environment

Community Event Space

Student Ownership

Health

Child-Friendly Equipment

Community Service

Wellness

Recreation

Easy access from Rt. 54 & Rt. 11

School Climate

School Pride

COMMUNITY

Environmental Science

STUDENTS

Iron Heritage

Beautiful Green Space

Ecology

Gardens

Levee Trail Connection

Outdoor Classroom

Walkable from 1st Ward, 3rd Ward, Downtown Danville

Artist-in-Residence

FUNDING SOURCES & RECOGNITION



Grant Writing Campaign

Local, regional, and state sources of funding for community partnerships, playgrounds, conservation, etc. will be pursued.



Corporate Sponsors

We will pursue coporate sponsorships and deepen relationships with Danville businesses.



Individual Donors

Indivial donations will be solicited to sponsor various aspects of this project.



Funds will be held at the nonprofit Community Giving Foundation in the established Ironmen Non-Endowed Fund.



Donors will be given signage and name recognition in accordance with their level of charitable gift.

SATIVE



TRACTION POTENTIAL

Exploratory meetings to gauge interest, value, investment potential, and preliminary feedback have been held with key faculty/administration, parents, local business representatives, and community leaders.

Response has been exceptionally positive.

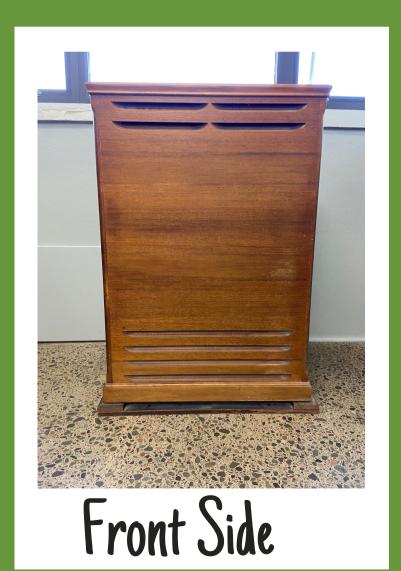
Numerous people inside the school and within the community have expressed interest in helping with the project's implementation.

PROJECT MANAGEMENT

This project would be managed and implemented by a team of faculty, administrators, and community stakeholders, including ongoing advisement and assistance from representatives of MARC, DACC, the Chamber of Commerce, and the Danville Business Alliance.



OUR ASK: SAY YES. THEN KICKSTART THE PROJECT WITH OUR "JUNK"



- Approve our pursuit of this project.
- Agree to list two pieces of obsolete and unused equipment for sale: two Leslie 122R speakers, circa 1965. Their value as a pair is approximately \$3,000.
- At the next board meeting, vote on earmarking any proceeds from the speaker sale for this project's use.

