

Sumner-Bonney Lake School District



Sumner High School Project Review Task Force and Recommendation Fact Sheet

In February 2016 voters passed a \$145.6 million bond to build, expand and/or improve facilities throughout the Sumner-Bonney Lake School District. The bond proceeds were spread out across nine projects in the District, including Sumner High School.

The bond resolution goals for Sumner High School include additional classrooms, a new commons/cafeteria, a library, restrooms, additional gym seating and technology/security improvements. Only one bid was received for the Sumner High School project, which was approximately \$14 million over budget. The School Board rejected the bid and on December 12, 2018, following discussion at several Board meetings, directed the Superintendent to form a Task Force to give recommendations on a path forward for modernization and expansion of Sumner High School in light of the state and local circumstances the project faced.

Recommended path forward

After carefully evaluating the various concepts developed by Hainline, a construction management firm engaged by the District, and associated data, the Task Force has identified the following recommendations. The current state and local circumstances considered, include:

- Overheated construction climate
- Parking and code requirements
- Complexity and associated expense of demolition and remodeling or expanding existing structures
- Previously unanticipated impacts to utilities and building systems
- Complexity of project duration on school campus

Given such factors, the Task Force determined that constructing new buildings made the most economical sense and would provide less complexity and disruption to Sumner High School students during construction. The Task Force recommends a two-pronged approach, with an Initial Phase of modernization and expansion of the High School that uses the 2016 bond funding,

intended for the high school and a follow-on phase for build-out of the school and potential facilities identified in a Master Plan that would require additional funding.

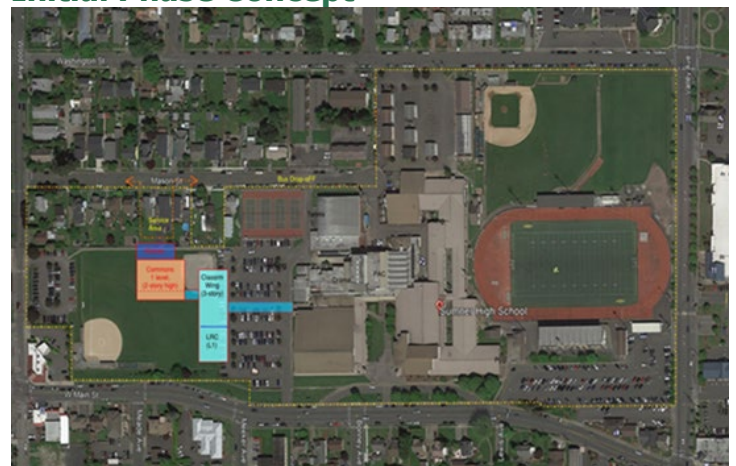
Initial Phase: Build now

To expand and modernize Sumner High School with the 2016 Capital Bond funding, the Task Force recommends an Initial Phase that constructs new buildings to the west of the existing school and minimizes remodeling as much as possible.

- The Initial Phase should include these core elements (Bond goals)*:
 - New classrooms (target 16-20)
 - New commons/cafeteria
 - New kitchen
 - New library (Learning Resource Center)
 - Improved student circulation
- The District should be very thoughtful in the Initial Phase design and construction to avoid rebuilding new infrastructure in the Master Plan phase.
- Design and construction of the Initial Phase should avoid, where practical, the need to relocate, modify or interrupt utilities serving the existing building.
- Minimize remodeling to the extent reasonably possible.

*Buildings include restrooms, technology, security

Initial Phase Concept





Master Plan: Building the rest

The Task Force recommends requesting bond funding for future build out of Sumner High School and potential facilities as soon as reasonably possible.

- The Master Plan would build new additional school facilities, including a new gym, aquatic facility (pool) and remodel or build a new Performing Arts Center (PAC), depending upon budget considerations
- Consider three story structures where feasible, cost-effective, and functionally acceptable
- Consider using alternative project delivery methods, where beneficial for the project

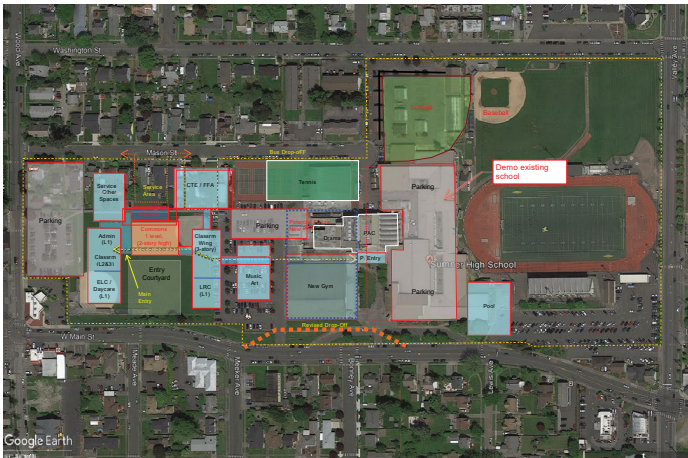


What was the purpose of the Task Force?

The community members selected by the Superintendent for the Task Force, who have substantial experience in construction and planning, were tasked with reviewing, studying, and evaluating all options for the project after the only bid received was significantly over budget.

Twenty Task Force members worked collaboratively with Hainline to consider concepts and provide input on development of options to recommend a path forward for modernizing and expanding Sumner High School, in light of state and local circumstances the project faced.

Master Plan Concept



Recommendation assumptions

- The Master Plan is a guide for future development
- Components of the Master Plan are not budgeted; future decisions and refinements will have to be made
- Run another bond to fund components of the Master Plan based upon future bond planning
- The conceptual layouts for the Initial Phase and full build-out under a Master Plan will likely change as design moves forward and permitting and code requirements, physical constraints, bond planning and other factors are evaluated

Next steps

The Superintendent will present her recommendation to the School Board on June 18, 2019 informed by the Task Force's recommendations and a summary of public input received at two community meetings and via an online survey. The School Board will adopt or modify the Superintendent's recommendation, in light of current state and local circumstances. Also, next steps will be identified to implement the School Board's action to modernize and expand Sumner High School as soon as reasonably possible.

For additional information, including Frequently Asked Questions, visit www.sumnersd.org/SHSTaskForce. You'll also find a survey that will be available through June 5. We'd like to hear your thoughts on the path forward for Sumner High School.

We'd like to hear from you!