

Let's Talk!

Facilities Management Plan

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#23499	9-29-23 1:42 PM	Swipe Entry on Older Metal Doors at Welsh Elementary School	At Welsh Elementary School, the only swipe entry on the side of the building where children play (near the baseball diamond) is on a door that leads directly into a Kindergarten room. If an adult would need to get children inside the building quickly in an emergency, there are no swipe entry devices on Doors H and I. Would it be possible for Welsh to have these entry devices installed? Thank you for your time.	Employee
#23498	9-29-23 1:27 PM	5 year Facilities Plan	After attending the 5 year facilities plan kickoff, several issues came to mind about the current state of the environment for the staff at Sterling Holley providing services/teaching for students and families prenatal to 3. During the presentation it was stated that 16% of students learning was impacted by environment, I would argue that the same could be said about the work that district staff provide to families and children. Currently, the staff providing teaching/learning/social work/family education for prenatal to 3 children and families have spotty cell service, heat and air quality issues, horrible parking situation (in and out of building multiple time of day with heavy equipment, multiple bags, and toys in winter through snow and on ice), no place to hold family education events/workshop (requirement of the program), no safe space to meet with families (SH is not coded for families to meet or have events/workshops), no appropriate place to process with each other (this will be eliminated in the next phase of SH remodeling)-this is a needed space as this staff work within this community confronted with domestic violence, trauma, drugs, homelessness etc. on a daily basis. When considering options for what should go into the 5 year facilities plan and support for families and children in our district-our youngest learners and the staff that serve them should be given some consideration. This program has been in existence since 1990 and some of the current staff have been in this district serving for 20 years. This program has been shuffled around to multiple sites and buildings without a permanent home to serve the children and families in a respectable manner that the program, families and staff deserve.	Employee
#23485	9-27-23 2:45 PM	West View Parking Lot	Good Afternoon, I am writing because I am a teacher at West View Elementary and our parking lot is far too small. I am one of the last teachers to arrive, as I have a 3 year old who has to be dropped off at day care. By the time I get to school, there are no spots in the lot, the people who park in front of the building are double parked, and I have to park in the grass. If I pull up too far, I run the risk of getting stuck in mud and puddles. If I don't pull up far enough, I run the risk of being hit by a bus. There have been multiple fender bender situations at West View so far this year. Something needs to be done about the parking situation.	Employee
#23478	9-27-23 9:38 AM	parking	We do not have enough parking spaces for the staff at West View Elementary School. We need a bigger parking lot installed to accommodate everyone. Thank you.	Employee
#23473	9-26-23 8:01 PM	African-American Students enrolled in RPS205 Public Schools in Rockford IL	I very concerned about the status of African-American Students educational achievement in RPS205 Public Schools. African American Students are 2 to three levels behind in reading and math starting at the 2nd and 3rd elementary grade levels. These 2nd and 3rd grade students are being pushed through RPS205 without reading or math intervention to help them master the basic fundamental tools needed to help them learn the Phonics parts in reading, basic fundamental part of math, adding, subtractions, additions, and division, from the concept of Everyday Math. We have several Westside schools with inadequate playground equipment, Lewis Lemon and McIntosh need a tennis court and volleyball court. All of the African-American neighborhood parks need to be upgraded with the latest state of the art playground equipment. Lewis Lemon and McIntosh Elementary Schools need a parking area for parents, maybe a circle to make it more convenient and safer for the children and parents, caregiver dropping students for school and picking students up from school. African-American History need to be added to RPS205 Curriculums starting at 3rd thru 12th grades. Every school in RPS205 Public School need a special classroom reserved to tutor students behind core curriculums like reading, writing and math. RPS205 need to add a 25% increase in hiring African-American Administrate and teachers especially at the early grade level 2nd thru 7th grade. RPS205 Public Schools need to create an African American Dean of Students position in each middle and high school to monitor the grades of African-American in dangers of not successfully mastering their grade level and work with teachers, administrates, parents, guardians, and caregivers to implement a plan of actions to help these students in the areas needed. Mentoring programs like, Black Achievers, Upward Bound, Youth Build, Career Path, and other trades programs for students that may not see college as an option for them.	Community Member

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#23465	9-26-23 12:59 PM	In response to email re: improving building sites over the next 5 years	The pods at Auburn are not secure. They were supposed to be temporary, and they have extended beyond 10 years (plus they were bought used from an elementary school). They need to be kept up, and if they are going to continue to be used, need to be enclosed with the main building. As it is, there is no evolve system present to make sure students/staff are safe. Virtually anyone can enter the pods without being checked to see they belong there and are not carrying any weapons. Why can't there be a second floor be built up over the remaining, existing main floor? There is only one second floor hallway right now.	Employee, Community Member, Parent/Guardian
#23464	9-26-23 11:51 AM	Parking at Montessori	Hello. I was unable to attend information meetings on improvements to our schools. I have been a parent at Montessori and both locations. Or school now is growing with staff and students. Parking is SO hard to find. I even sub at the school and often have to drive around looking for street parking. We have SO much land there. There had to be a way to create more spaces. I have written in before and submitted pictures of the street conditions. I'm sure all of us parking in the streets is a hindrance to the neighbor's surrounding school too.	Parent/Guardian
#23441	9-25-23 7:22 AM	Guilford Dropoff/Pickup	I don't know about the other high schools, but the parental drop-off and pick-up facilities at Guilford HS are dismal. Parents have to either go by the field office door and drop off where the parking lot becomes very narrow for turning around and is clogged with students parking, or we have to go through the teacher lot where there is one exit lane. If someone is turning left, everyone has to wait until they can get out. We need two lanes, one for left turn and one for right, or preferably some other way to drop off and pick up that doesn't involve going through the teachers lot. Also, there's no clear visitor parking area designated for parents in case they have to come into the school for any reason during the day.	Parent/Guardian
#23439	9-24-23 6:01 PM	Project ideas for Nashold	Hi, Nashold is an older building that would benefit from updates. This will help operationally to provide a safer, more effective use of space and resources. Biggest needs: * Enlarge driveway space in the front of the school to accommodate increased district transportation * Add lighting to the front of the building for safety * Take out lockers in the hallways to create usable storage space (classroom carts could be stored here, thereby clearing the hallways, which is a Life Safety issue) * Remodel bathrooms Second level items: * Enlarge the parking lot in the back to help with traffic flow * Enlarge playground area to add ADA elements * Update playground area by Door C to make it more functional * Remodel the old kitchen area downstairs to utilize or change use of space * Make kitchen functional again to prepare food on site. * If kitchen is restored, add lift to assist with meals being brought upstairs * Install new windows downstairs (they leak and present a security risk) * Replace doors (they are heavy and the wood is broken and splintered on the bottom) I recognize this is an extensive wish list, but I wanted to include everything that has been discussed. I look forward to speaking with you about our options. Thank you for your consideration!	Employee
#23437	9-23-23 11:54 AM	RPS205 Building and Sites over the next 5 years	I am wondering if you are taking in consideration the department located at Sterling Holley (Prevention Initiative; Birth-3 program home visiting services under Early Childhood)? This program has been in existence in RPS205 for over 30 years (this is not a new program). Most recently, our program received a shout out at the very end of the School Board meeting that took place on Sept 19, 2023 (you can go on Youtube to hear this) We are also part of the EOPA Union. The RPS205 Home Visiting program is the FOUNDATION to our children's education. Ideally, this program should be housed at one of the preschool sites or perhaps at a future preschool site. In addition, our program needs space to conduct events and workshops for parents and the future students of RPS205 (we are a feeder program).	Employee
#23435	9-22-23 2:21 PM	Facilities suggestion-Updated bathrooms	The bathrooms at Rolling Green need an update (especially the one by the kindergarten hallway). The toilet paper roll holders do not close correctly and are sharp and jagged resulting in wet and dirty toilet paper rolls all over the floor, wasted toilet paper, and cuts to the hands (which I have gotten myself). The paper towel dispensers regularly get stuck resulting in small children crying because they cant get them unstuck and even annoyed adults having a hard time turning it and getting it unstuck with wet hands and just using our pants or clothes to dry our hands. My main complaint is that the toilets also splatter and spit pee water all over the person flushing the toilet, the toilet seat, up the back of the toilet and on the walls, all over the floors, and even often onto the clean toilet paper roll next to it. It's absolutely disgusting and unsanitary.	Employee

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#23429	9-22-23 11:49 AM	Prevention initiative (PI) Prenatal to 3	I am a RPS prenatal to 3 home visitor stationed at Sterling Holley. The working conditions of Sterling Holley are unacceptable. In the summer it is very cold and in the winter it is very warm. There is no regulation of the temperature. In the home visitor program, my coworkers and I are in and out of the building at all times of the day carrying parent/child activities to and from the building. Parking does not adequately support the needs of the home visitors as we have to walk sometimes 2 blocks to get into the building because we share the building with the bus drivers. It is not safe if we are attacked while walking to/from the building because our hands are usually full and we would not be able to protect ourselves if an attacker was waiting by our cars that was parked two blocks away. The building does not support the needs of our parents and the activities that we do with them. We do many different types of workshops and family engagement activities and we cannot have families in the building at Sterling Holley. How can we work with families but they are not allowed in the building where we are stationed? There is 0 storage for all of the things that we may need to serve our families. When we talk to our families, we literally have to walk outside or across the street to finish the call because our district cell phones do not work inside of the building. PI is the first impression of the Rockford Public Schools and it builds the foundation of schooling for our youngest students, we need to have better working conditions for our staff so they are better equipped to support the needs of the families that we serve.	Employee
#23428	9-22-23 11:29 AM	Space needed!!!!!!	To whom it may concern. I work for the Early Childhood Prevention Initiative program and our office is located in the Sterling Holly location. I attended the kick-off meeting at West Middle School and as I was listening, I heard a lot talk about what classrooms and the structure of the school should look like for the future of our children's learning. I was impressed to say the least. However, I would like to make a plea for the district to consider our program because we are truly the foundation of RPS, as we are working with Prenatal to 3 year olds. The space we are in at the moment is not conducive to the work that we do. We hold multiple parent groups/events throughout the year, and have to search for places to host our families and children. There are no children allowed in the building due to building codes. When we find a place to have events we then have to pack up our cars and take equipment, supplies, and food to that location and then bring it back. We go into homes, taking supplies and activities to support our families in developing a routine before their child gets to preschool. In doing this sometimes we carry bulks of items and bags, with having to walk down the street to our cars because of no parking. This becomes very stressful especially in times when the weather is bad. There are many times when we have to go outside to talk to clients because there is no reception in the building, not to mention what we discuss should be confidential. There is no sink to clean toys or wash our food and no place to wash our cloth toys that go into the homes of the participants. All of our visitors have to wait outside and hope that we can hear them out because there is no direct buzzer to our office. There is one bathroom in our office for 16 plus women and when Family Educators are here we have men, also. With all that being said, PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE consider our program when creating new spaces in the district. Things that would help ... Parking Place to host events Kitchen sink washer and dryer Better Phone reception or desk phones More storage for supplies Create a way for us to talk with families in private.	Employee
#23419	9-21-23 3:20 PM	RPS's 205's buildings	The building at Gregory Elementary School currently has pods with no door or wall. This building where I am a classroom teacher in the pod can be improved by having a door and wall to my classroom. It is a big issue and concern as it is not a conducive learning environment to teach and for students to learn. The noise level is high in the library, hallway, and other classrooms in the pod. Students leave the classroom easily without permission as there is no door. Safety is a big concern as if an intruder was to come into the building, teachers and students don't have a door to lock. I feel this is an extremely high priority that needs to be resolved quickly.	Employee
#23414	9-21-23 11:11 AM	Facilities Plan Input	My Kids attend Eisenhower Middle School and Marshall Middle School. In both cases the athletic facilities, in particular locker rooms, outdoor fields, and pools need significant work. Eisenhower's pool area is small and is aging. The ceiling is in bad shape, lighting is poor and there are no starting blocks or stands despite having a competitive team and hosting meets. Marshall's pool has been out of action for a couple years! Eisenhower's locker rooms look as if they haven't been upgraded since 1980-1981 when I attended. Marshall's are better but are dark and gloomy. The outdoor fields at Eisenhower have difficulty accommodating fall sports practices. Marshall has tons of land but the fields are not very well maintained or defined. At Eisenhower, the hall lockers are small and, since backpacks are not allowed to be carried, provide limited space for coats, musical instruments, sports equipment- especially football helmets and shoulder pads, backpacks, books & supplies, etc. The classroom spaces at Eisenhower seem to be in good shape and well equipped with the exception of some wobbly stools/chairs. Same at Marshall. The cafeteria spaces are open and well-lit at both locations but Eisenhower's space is cramped and "institutional". The interior hallways in both schools need better lighting and lighter paint. Marshall's purple and gray make for a dark, gloomy hallway experience while Eisenhower's gold and in some places dark blue, create a strange, dimly lit atmosphere. The theater space at Marshall is nice. At Eisenhower, the theater space needs a revamp with new seating and ceiling. According to my son, Eisenhower's HVAC system needs an overhaul as he complains that every classroom is either very hot or very cold. Overall, I think you're doing a good job with core academic facilities but the student life and overall environments could use upgrades. Thanks for the opportunity to provide input and for your hard work. You are appreciated!	Parent/Guardian
#23413	9-21-23 11:06 AM	Facilities Plan	At Rolling Green--Our very large pool room has been empty for at least 5 years, due to a leak. We were told a few years ago that they would build something there. We definitely need more bathrooms and a large lunch room would be beneficial.	Employee

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#23412	9-21-23 9:55 AM	Fine Arts Facilities Plan	For the upcoming facilities plan it is crucial that we include the arts (band, orchestra, choir, general music, piano, guitar, visual art, photography, dance, theater, tech theater, etc) as a large component in all designs and allocated resources. The arts have standards on which students are assessed and graded on, they deserve just as many resources as after school extra curricular athletics have received via the first facilities plan. Not too long ago RPS led the way with a "front porch" initiative which was to include the arts. Our programs are recovering and growing after COVID, and it's time for our arts classes to be fully invested in. At RESA MS we don't have an adequate auditorium space. RESA is currently using the cafeteria which will not house more than 402 people at one time. Due to our student body this does not allow for assemblies, outreach programs, or required performances from the band and choir classes. The Band/Choir room is one of the only rooms in the district that does not have a sink/running water which makes keeping instruments sanitary difficult. The Arts are lacking adequate storage space for uniforms, risers, creative art supplies, etc. These are just some of the immediate needs, not counting what room there is for improvement in other facets of our building. Please reach out and ask all your arts staff for their input.	Employee
#23411	9-21-23 4:47 AM	Brookview	When looking at needs for the upcoming building plan, Brookview should be on the list for additional bathrooms. We only have two sets of them for nearly 500 students. This creates difficulties and wasted instructional time when classes are backed up waiting for bathroom time. The over use of the available facilities also leaves them often dirty and out of toilet paper and paper towels.	Employee
#23410	9-20-23 10:31 PM	Auburn Campus	Good evening- Our child is a student in the Gifted Program at Auburn. In addition to general safety concerns due to the location of Auburn as well as several instances of weapons being found on the campus last year as well as in years past, we have several concerns regarding the outside "pods" where several of the gifted classes are held. Our biggest concern with these structures is that they offer very little (if any!) physical protection to the people inside them should there ever be an active shooter in the area (students have been instructed that their best chance to stay safe should this situation ever occur is to simply hit the floor as the thin walls of the pods offer no protection against bullets). Lesser -but still very valid- concerns regarding the pods are that students must go outside in all sorts of inclement weather to get to the classes being held in them. Also, the heating and cooling systems for them are inadequate resulting in classrooms that are often uncomfortably hot in the warmer months and overly chilly during the winter months. To help address and remedy these concerns as well as other problems, we would like to respectfully suggest that the district consider bringing the programs for Gifted, CAPA, and ROTC all together on a single campus for grades 6-12 on the campus that currently houses West Middle School. Like many families before us, we struggle with safety concerns when it comes to sending our child to school at Auburn due to its location as well as its history of several weapons being found on its campus last year as well as in years past. In fact, we know of several families who chose to pull their students out of the Gifted Program come high school rather than risk sending them to school at Auburn. Some of those former Gifted Program students have been lucky enough to be zoned to attend Guilford for high school (considered a palatable step-down alternative to the education being offered to Auburn gifted students so long as they are able to take AP and Honors classes at Guilford). Other families have had to make the hard choice to either home-school their child for high school, or else to spend precious funds (funds that could otherwise go towards future colleges expenses) to send their students to private schools which (currently anyway!) are providing subpar educational experiences :(. Having the Gifted, CAPA, and ROTC programs together on a single campus would provide a greater sense of safety, comfort, and program cohesiveness for these students and their families. As a result we are confident that the vast majority of the Gifted and CAPA program students would happily remain in these RPS programs for high school rather than leave them to attend alternatives such as Guilford, private schools, or to be home schooled. We have heard that Guilford is becoming extremely crowded. Providing a high school-middle school campus environment where these specialty program students can both feel safe while remaining in the programs they love could help alleviate some of the congestion at Guilford as well as help keep students in the RPS district for their high school years which would be a win for both students/their families as well as the RPS district. Thank you for the opportunity to voice our concerns and make this suggestion.	Parent/Guardian
#23409	9-20-23 8:45 PM	5 YR. PLAN	It would be nice to see the concrete replaced at Whitehead where the entrance is to the basement. It is in poor condition and very difficult to get skids moved in and out there. Were ever there a mobile unit located at schools there needs to be a addition built on to those schools to bring the students back into the schools. these are located at Hillman, Whitehead,Riverdahl,brookview,and Johnson schools. Students belong in a school not in a mobile unit outside the school.	Employee

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#23408	9-20-23 7:01 PM	McIntosh Needs	<p>McIntosh Elementary NEEDS Additional classrooms and office spaces. McIntosh took on 100 more students this year due to rezoning for the IB school. We do not have enough space for future strands (we will add at least one more 5th grade next year). We also have limited space for support staff and other personnel. Our school psychologist's office is the room that holds all the electrical and fuse boxes. Our parent liaisons, title teachers, MTSS coordinators and instructional coach all share one space (7 people). Our speech paras who provide virtual speech services have to find empty spaces or the hallways to service students. Our after school program coordinator has a desk in an old custodial closet. We have no space for our decodable library. The district purchased us beautiful decodables to go with our small group literacy curriculum, and we have purchased some with building funds. We have no space for the amount of books we have. Teachers need regular access to these materials, yet we have no place for them to go. These are giant barriers to us as a school. Playground and Equipment McIntosh's current playground is approximately 50 yards UPHILL away from the school. Getting our students safely to the playground and back is a challenge for our recess aides. It is even more challenging for our 3 STAR AU classrooms. We either need the playground relocated closer to the school, or a tunnel or path created to make transitions safer and more efficient. Additionally, with the size of our student population it is unrealistic and unsafe to have all students in a lunch time play on the playground. Half the kids stay on the blacktop. Students on the blacktop have access to limited equipment which leads to a whole host of other issues. Parking McIntosh has a very small parking lot. Currently there are not enough spaces for all staff. If a staff member comes too late, they are forced to park across the street at Kennedy. The district has a GIANT piece of land here at McIntosh. There is plenty of room to lay an acceptable parking lot with enough spaces for staff and visitors. Circle Drive McIntosh sits on a very busy thoroughfare frequented by emergency vehicles from the fire station a half mile away. Our pick up line at the end of the day can be very dangerous. Parents have to come and line up along Pierpont and that line extends to School Street and curves around along School Street. We have a system that we use to try and keep our children safe, but it is still an unacceptable expectation. There is another huge piece of land to the south of our building that could provide a drive where parents could pick up and drop off their children in a safe and protected space. Drives were created at Nashhold and Johnson to name a few. McIntosh needs to be next. Carpet Our classrooms need new carpet. Carpets are not consistently cleaned in the summer and many rooms have very dirty carpets that do not make our school look good when visitors come to classrooms. Vestibule McIntosh does not have a safe vestibule. Our OP and staff are at risk every day. Heating System McIntosh needs a heating system that works! There are parts of the building that are boiling in the winter and parts that are freezing. This impacts teachers and students ability to focus on the tasks at hand. Furniture The current furniture in our K-2 classrooms is not conducive to the learning that is expected to take place. We have small classrooms with oversized and awkwardly shaped tables that cause students to disengage and have conflicts with peers because they do not have their own personal space. The puzzle shaped tables had to be created by someone who is NOT a teacher because they are not effective for learning in primary classrooms. Building Cleanliness McIntosh is NOT clean. We have cockroaches and mice all over the building. Teachers have been told to limit food in rooms and to place any snacks in plastic containers with sealed lids and it is still an issue. It could be because of the amount of doors that are opened and closed every day. Which leads us to the next point..... Doors We have 15 exit points throughout our building. This is a challenge when we have children who frequently attempt to elope from our building. Two of our 3 AU classrooms have exterior doors inside their classroom. This is not safe either. Glass doors on SPED Resource room Due to the increase in enrollment, our SPED team had to move out of a classroom and into a conference room that has swinging glass doors. We were told those doors would be replaced with a traditional door with frosted glass this summer, but that never happened. The students who receive services in that room are distracted by classes and students walking by constantly. Again, another barrier to learning at McIntosh. Bathrooms We have over 400 students and 2 sets of student bathrooms.</p>	Employee
#23407	9-20-23 5:40 PM	Roosevelt Alternative Education Center	<p>First and Foremost, Roosevelt is hands down the best high school in the RPS district. As a parent of two whom attended Roosevelt, a Community Member and a prior employee, I feel Roosevelt is a huge asset to the community and to the many children/young adults in such need of a different way of being educated. Roosevelt is a beautiful building and offers a family like feeling to both staff and students and the history of the gorgeous building welcomes many. If you walk the grounds and see the many tributes to those past whom have attended/been apart of Roosevelt's historic setting, you will see the many lives that have been touched. My son, Dylan Heaslip, is one of the multiple memorials you will see on the grounds of Roosevelt. Under the Administration of Morgan Gallagher, Roosevelt was amazing during the most traumatic event of our lives. The entire staff honored my son tremendously. We felt a tree in Dylan's honor depicts the many students Roosevelt reaches and the countless young adults who reach for the stars while at Roosevelt and beyond.</p>	Community Member
#23404	9-20-23 4:09 PM	School Fence	<p>Barbour Two way recently had part of their field remodel this is a big step. We are still in need of a fence for kids to be able to enjoy this new space safely and also for the safety of attendees attending the school sport games. Having a fence will allow us to also get bleachers and level out the field this school has to offer for our kids sports. Also, I believe it is time for facilities and school board to think about adding an expansion to the school. the school itself has outgrown and I believe an expansion will be beneficial for staff, current student and all future students.</p>	Parent/Guardian

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#23403	9-20-23 4:01 PM	Pod classrooms	Classrooms located inside of a pod setting are very disruptive to the learning environment. Please consider adding walls and doors to classrooms. Students and parents express concerns with the distractions every year. As a teacher, it's challenging to teach with this style of classroom.	Employee
#23402	9-20-23 3:53 PM	Facilities meeting input	Renovate elementary and middle school bathrooms and locker rooms. Close up pod style classrooms with walls and locking doors.	Parent/Guardian
#23399	9-20-23 3:06 PM	Space for Prevention Initiative Program - Early Childhood	"-Our Program needs a space where the whole staff can work together because our constant collaboration with one another. -We need a space with a place to store our equipment to work effectively. -We need a good signal in a building where we are going to work and where we are currently working. Unfortunately we need to go outside with our work cell phones because the calls drop frequently. Sometimes the internet is not working properly even for our laptops. -We need private space. We manage sensitive information and we need individual spaces for each Prevention Initiative Specialist staff, to work on the digital records and when talking to participants. The information we manage is confidential and it's hard to maintain it due to the space we have to work, because it is open. We have to hide in the limited spaces such as the mechanical room, storage closet, or we have or in the cars to have confidential conversations. Thank you for anything you can do to improve these working conditions."	Employee, Community Member
#23398	9-20-23 2:52 PM	PREVENTION INITIATIVE	The PI department would benefit from having a space. We have had to move building multiple times in the past few years. It's would be beneficial to have a space where we could serve families, children, and host events. We do not have enough space where we are currently housed to properly serve our families.	Employee
#23397	9-20-23 2:22 PM	Facilities	I'm an Early Childhood Support Professional with the Prevention Initiative Home Visiting Program. To do my job comfortably I'd like to work out of a building where I have a private office to bring my families to. In my current location (the RPS Transportation Building on Christina) I don't have access to this resource. I work from a cubicle where there's no privacy so therefore, I can't invite families. In addition to this I'd like to have either a landline phone or have the ability to use my work phone freely at work to communicate with my families. Currently I have to walk outside to get cellular service. It's unsafe and time consuming having to go outside to use the phone, unaware of your surroundings (because I'm trying to give a participant my undivided attention) and in extreme weather (where applicable). I'd like this space to be climate controlled by our office. This summer the temperature stayed at a blistering 64 degrees. I've had to wear sweaters, blankets and closed toe thick house shoes to keep warm. Lastly, I'd like said building to come complete with parking for our department. Right now, I have to walk 3 minutes from my car to my work and there are blind spots were I can't see if any cars are coming across the street until I get into the street.	Employee
#23395	9-20-23 1:18 PM	Roosevelt	We are growing the program and now have more students and need more classrooms. Is there any thought of building an addition or fixing the pool room or adding mobilis?	Employee
#23394	9-20-23 12:34 PM	Roosevelt	I have been informed that Roosevelt Jr High, Roosevelt Community Center and presently Roosevelt Alternative HS is slated to be demolish in the next five years. I strongly urge you to consider the historical significance and architecture. The building is home to original woodwork and tiles. The building is located in the west side of Rockford and serves as a reminder of the vibrant community that once resided there. It is now an accessible education center for those in the community that need it the most. Adults and students who attend Roosevelt most likely would not graduate or get their GED. Rockford is a stronger community when it offers and encourages educational opportunities to all students and adults. I believe taking away this building; this icon, would be foolish and very regrettable.	Community Member
#23392	9-20-23 11:45 AM	Facilities Plan-Marshall MS	It would be a benefit to have updated lockers at Marshall MS. Many of the lockers are in disrepair. Hooks are missing, doors bent and don't latch properly, bottom of lockers falling out, etc. There are barely enough lockers. Every day staff needs to assist lockers open with prybars and hammers. It is stressful for students who are trying to get to class on time and end up late to class because they don't have a locker in working condition. These lockers have been in use since Kennedy students were housed in the building. In addition, when Marshall MS opened its doors in 2012, Jefferson high school received new lockers as part of the Heartland Church project and many of their obsolete lockers were donated to Marshall MS for use. Many of those lockers had issues of damage since their installation. Building administrators have been asking for new lockers each year since the doors of Marshall MS has opened. Marshall MS has received a total of 63 lockers total. There are appx 485-500 students every school year in attendance. We can do better for our students in making sure they don't have to think about locker conditions and can make a better use of their time getting to class in a timely manner.	Employee
#23391	9-20-23 11:09 AM	Roosevelt Community Education Center's current bulding	What is the future of the building that RCEC currently occupies? There doesn't seem to be major repairs being made to the building (worn floors, dangerous windows) or planned to be made and the building was left off of the district's AC-for-all plan. I'm not asking about the future of Roosevelt but of the building. And if the building has a long-term plan with the district why does it seem to be ignored / forgotten / neglected? Thank you	Employee
#23388	9-20-23 10:14 AM	Next Facilities Upgrade project- updating Visual Arts facilities	I'm Ben Borhart, the traditional art teacher for West Middle School. I am lucky amongst my middle school art colleagues in that I have a rather big room, but the storage spaces in my room are probably older than my parents. I am also lucky in that my sink works, but it is far too small for the class sizes I am being asked to take.	Employee

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#23387	9-20-23 9:28 AM	Pool At Marshall Middle School	Our pool is currently closed to do needing a complete overhaul and renovation. I would like to see it fixed so we can provide our students with the opportunity of learning to swim, a skill that everyone should learn.	Employee
#23385	9-20-23 9:13 AM	Facilities Plan	For the upcoming facilities plan it is crucial that we include the arts (band, orchestra, choir, general music, piano, guitar, visual art, photography, dance, theater, tech theater, etc) as a large component in all designs and allocated resources. The arts have standards on which students are assessed and graded on, they deserve just as many resources as after school extra curricular athletics have received via the first facilities plan. Not too long ago RPS led the way with a "front porch" initiative which was to include the arts. Our programs are recovering and growing after COVID, and it's time for our arts classes to be fully invested in. At Marshall MS we don't have lockers for our valuable instruments, reliable sound and lighting in the theater, or adequate storage and display solutions for art. These are just some of the immediate needs, not counting what room there is for improvement in other facets of our building. Please reach out and ask all your arts staff for their input.	Employee
#23382	9-20-23 8:32 AM	Limited space	RESA MS has no space for academic or behavior interventionist to do their work.	Employee
#23381	9-20-23 8:25 AM	Facilities feedback	The pool needs to be fixed at Marshall MS. Our students deserve to learn how to swim, too. Also, there is no playground equipment at the middle school either.	Employee
#23379	9-20-23 7:52 AM	Building Plan	I am unable to attend the meeting tonight at West, but I have 2 concerns. First, I feel like Roosevelt should remain intact and located where it is. Roosevelt is in a pretty central location for most people who live in the city. Many of the students that are served there live close to that area. They have wonderful programs, and if they were to move that program so far away from where it is now, I feel like enrollment would drop and transportation could become an issue. Roosevelt serves some of our most vulnerable populations, and moving it that far away to a facility on the Eastside is not equitable and a bad idea. Also, Brookview is in desperate need of more rooms and bathrooms. We already have one pod for music and in the future, may need more. We are in desperate need of bathrooms on the end of the school that is near the pod and staff parking lot. Bathrooms are located far away from our 4th and 5th grade students and instructional time is lost either taking class bathroom breaks, or when the kids use the bathroom during instructional time. Thank you.	Employee
#23378	9-20-23 7:43 AM	School bathroom suggestion	I wanted to make a suggestion for the school bathrooms. I think they should put smoke/vape detectors in the school bathrooms. My child told me that when he goes to the school bathrooms, he sees people vaping in the bathrooms.	Parent/Guardian
#23377	9-20-23 12:39 AM	Roosevelt Comm Ed Center	I'm concerned about the rumors I hear about Roosevelt's future. I was on the professional staff when Roosevelt reopened in 1992. I spent the next 24 years as the Adult Education Coordinator. The building is 100 years old-but it is structurally sound as long as yearly maintenance is done and major overhauls(like new windows)are scheduled. The buildings central location and adequate parking are a plus that meets the needs of the many at-risk students who have found a meaningful educational environment (after dropping out of a traditional high school). The highly trained staff(both alternative high school teachers AND Adult Education GED educators) possess the unique instructional skills that meet the daily needs of the typical Roosevelt learner.	Community Member
#23375	9-19-23 6:56 PM	Middle School Athletics	Now that the high schools have top notch athletic facilities. What are the chances the middle schools could get some upgrades? Eisenhower could use some bleachers in the gym, Lincoln's football field could use some upkeep since there are literally rocks all over the field.	Employee
#23374	9-19-23 6:13 PM	Facilities plan	Marshall middle school - fix pool or turn into gym, update auditorium including lights and sound, update science lab. Add second science lab (we only have one) if possible.	Employee
#23373	9-19-23 4:54 PM	Roosevelt's Future	I am concerned for the future of the building and the programs that Roosevelt holds. Roosevelt not only is a building full of history, inspiration, and a community, but it is also in an area where the notoriously underserved community sees a building and helps build back the mistrust in the educational systems that disappointed them previously. I see what these systems can do for our students and I see as an outsider how important it is both for the students and for the staff within the building. Roosevelt needs to be preserved and maintained. By moving another program to a new building and removing the current one, this does nothing but prove to the west side that they are of no value to the education system of Rockford. Once again breaking the trust and value to the community.	Community Member
#23368	9-19-23 2:01 PM	Dedicated gifted academy campus for	It would be great to have a dedicated gifted academy for high school instead of being combined with Auburn. This would help is to clearly measure the school itself and encourage Marshall students to progress with the program	Parent/Guardian
#23366	9-19-23 1:30 PM	Girls bathroom	Need to be remodel or have door with locks Gregory elementary school has the worst girls restroom	Parent/Guardian

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#23365	9-19-23 1:23 PM	Facilities Plan	Hello, I am not sure if I will be able to attend the presentation scheduled for Wednesday, therefore I wanted to share my thoughts/request. I currently work at RESA, however RESA is very limited on space for activities that students and guardians can attend together. Our gymnasium needs an expansion. We have one side of bleachers and no balcony and the space does not quite accomodate for those with physical disabilities. We have a cafeteria which is also used as a commons area, however we do not have a space to hold school wide celebrations (ideally a auditorium). It would be nice to see RESA have a bigger gymnasium with space for those with disabilities and an auditorium like the other middle schools in RPS. There are inequities in the space available for RESA students to utilize for sports, concerts, recognitions etc. Thank you in advance for reading my request/concerns and I look forward to hearing more about the facilities plan.	Employee
#23363	9-19-23 1:09 PM	Safety	Since the high schools now have further detection installed to prevent an active shooter situation or weapons entering our schools- why can't the middle schools also have this same protection? Also, my son is a student at Marshall Middle School & parents have been informed about the desperate need for updating the pool, locker rooms etc. Is there any future plan to make the necessary repairs for our students? This is one of the newer schools in the district & what a shame it would be to not utilize the existing pool & allow these students to benefit in swimming for gym class, represent their school for the swim team & recreational purposes. Why would we let this go & shut down a very valuable portion of our student's sports experiences, physical education & recreation? Marshall MS students deserve to benefit from these necessary repairs & updates. I feel strongly enough about this to even help raise money to promote this cause for our school & students. Why should MMS have to "travel" to another school for most sports already (we don't have our own teams) (CoOp with West MS) & for swimming of any kind when we HAVE an existing pool at Marshall.	Parent/Guardian
#23362	9-19-23 12:19 PM	Rolling Green Facility Plan	Complete the renovation for the Pool: into a cafeteria/ common large group area, bathrooms, and office space. Ceiling Tiles/ structure need to be updated and replaced. They look really dated. Plant trees around the playground for shade.	Employee
#23361	9-19-23 11:43 AM	Please repair the Marshall Pool	Pools are a critical resource for our community. They provide a low-impact way to recreate, improve fitness, and increase our community's water safety. Swimming is both therapeutic for injuries and one of the most efficient forms of cardio. Please consider prioritizing the repair of this community resource!	Community Member
#23360	9-19-23 10:00 AM	Sustainability	As the District is upgrading facilities, I would hope that sustainable practices would be considered such as incorporating solar and wind sources for energy.	Employee
#23359	9-19-23 9:39 AM	RESA Facilities Need Updating	RESA PE locker rooms need repair. The lockers are rusted, broken, and unusable. The locker rooms are full of blind spots. A total rehaul is needed. We need another gymnasium. Our PE classes don't have the space to move and be active. It is common to have 4 PE classes per period. That is typically 140 or more students per period. Another large indoor space is desperately needed. We are the largest middle school by enrollment, but our indoor space for PE classes is not the largest.	Employee
#23358	9-19-23 9:32 AM	Marshall swimming pool repair	The swimming pool at Thurgood Marshall has a leak and has been closed for a while. Fixing the pool will involve accessibility updates, which all pools should have. We should try to keep as many school pools open as possible to service the education our our students.	Community Member
#23356	9-19-23 8:44 AM	Marshall Pool	Please fix Marshall's Pool!!!! It's important that the children learn how to swim!	Community Member
#23355	9-19-23 8:40 AM	Marshall Pool	Please repair Marshall Pool. We went from a team of 60 swimmer to 10. This impacts our students and the culture of our building. We want great opportunities for all. Knowing how to swim in a valuable skill.	Employee
#23354	9-19-23 8:40 AM	middle school kids	We need more security and at least one police office patrolling the hallways because there have been a lot of fights between kiddos in middle school and it is very concerning. just think... if they are like this now what are they going to be like in high school, kind of scary and something to think about! the teachers.. ARE AMAZING!! the staff is AMAZING in every way!! they all go above and beyond to help staff members and students. Principal and AP's and absolutely love their job, as we ALL DO! I hope you take some of this in consideration, it is worrisome for all the littles who will be entering elementary and middle school soon! WE are staff and parents ourselves and we don't have control of the kids, who does? The parents' need to be given consequence's for their children who act out!	Parent/Guardian, Community Member, Employee
#23352	9-19-23 7:42 AM	Auburn Fieldhouse Locker Rooms	These areas in the Fieldhouse at Auburn were originally designated as locker rooms. Now they are simply being used as storage. As a result, 5 PE classes a day travel every hour to and from from the old locker room through the east side of the AHS school building. This movement disrupts classes in progress, office conferences and phone calls, and wears on the existing hallways and the Fieldhouse atrium/lobby. Further, when opposing track teams (or lower level basketball teams) come to our building for indoor meets they must use the FH lobby bathrooms to change in...which results in an overcrowded, unsanitary facility. Please make completing the transformation of the Fieldhouse storage rooms into locker rooms a priority!	Employee
#23351	9-19-23 7:21 AM	Gregory	For safety and learning, need classroom walls in the pod. All stakeholders continue to share this concern.	Employee
#23350	9-19-23 12:25 AM	RPS	Sorry, I really don't know anything about RPS schools but if I think of something I'll let you know.	Community Member

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#23349	9-18-23 8:17 PM	Family Event Coming Up Wwdnesday	Good evening I am a parent i cant make the family event but i do have an suggestion i think that the kids that have rides picking them up should come out the door early because some of us do work and its making us late we have to be at work at a sudden time yall is doing a beautiful job of the riding situation by parking outside waiting on our kid/s just need to pick up the pace a little.	Parent/Guardian
#23348	9-18-23 7:49 PM	Attendance and staff	Please reconsider the budget for facilities. We need to have students in the buildings first! The buildings are meaningless without the students and staff. Money needs to be allocated to bus drivers, paraprofessionals, teachers and specialists before the buildings are addressed. The reason we are in school is for the students. We are in the third week of school and yet due to busing we do not have all the students in the buildings. How can we focus on the facilities but not on the reason of why we need the buildings in the first place? I have students that I haven't met due to busing issues. It seems absolutely ridiculous to have a meeting about making things look pretty without taking care of the students and staff first. How can we teach without the students in the buildings or the appropriate staff to support the students?	Employee
#23347	9-18-23 7:07 PM	Facilities Suggestions	Marshall is currently the only middle school without a functioning swimming pool. It would be equitable for the students at Marshall to have access to a usable pool. Also, upgrades to high school swimming pools would be fabulous. When swimmers travel to other high schools for swim meets, the aquatic facilities our students in RPS have are almost embarrassing. So much money has been poured into other athletic facilities and the pools/swim teams seem to often be forgotten.	Parent/Guardian
#23346	9-18-23 6:29 PM	Car pick up line	Add a lane on each side so the kids can be more safe and traffic can go around. Also add writing on the street stating car pick up and drop off line. This is for McIntosh elementary on Peirpont Ave the length of the stretch between schools to Auburn leaving room for traffic to flow with the congestion of cars.	Parent/Guardian
#23345	9-18-23 6:12 PM	Parking lots.	Specifically spring creek elementary. The parking lot is way too small and congested and not ran efficiently. The traffic backs into the road all too frequently, causing chaos and impatience which ultimately leads to dangerous situations. Like parents cutting other off or trying to cut through parking stalls forgetting there could be small children scattered in the lot. There are two giant fields in front of the school, surly there is a way to expand the parking lot and get a better system going.	Parent/Guardian
#23340	9-18-23 12:49 PM	Pool / school upgrade survey	Marshall Middle School pool needs to be renovated and updated. I feel like every middle school should have pools available. Swimming is a life skill and should be available to all students	Parent/Guardian
#23329	9-18-23 8:36 AM	Buildings & Sites - Input to Help Improve RPS 205's Facilities	Hello, I am unable to attend the in person meeting on Sept 20th but would like to offer input below for the RPS 205 facility improvement plan. The Jefferson High School marching band has grown significantly over the last several years. There are many known benefits from students participating in band including better behavior, discipline and academic performance. In addition, the band increases overall school & community spirit and generates income from ticket sales at sporting and other events. With that being said and Jefferson not having a full stadium onsite but plenty of open grass area, please consider doing a little lawn repair and striping a marching band practice field at Jefferson. Respectfully, JHS Parent and Supporter	Parent/Guardian
#23328	9-18-23 8:27 AM	Buildings & Sites - Input to Improve RPS 205's Facilities	Hello, I am not able to make the in person meeting on Sept 20th but would like to offer the following input. The Jefferson High School practice track was recently resurfaced. From afar, this appears to be a well needed upgrade. However, it appears that the top layer of synthetic rubber (latex or polyurethane, etc) normally installed over the asphalt or concrete base was omitted. We believe that running or performing field events on the asphalt surface led to a number of student injuries during the 2023 season, my daughter included. You may inquire with the JHS Coaching and Physical Trainer staff to confirm this. Please complete the surfacing of the track to conform to modern standards with the rubber or more flexible top surface. Thank you.	Parent/Guardian
#23327	9-18-23 7:49 AM	Not having air conditioning in	There should be air conditioning where students are exercising, exerting themselves, and trying to learn. It makes it hard for them to do their job to the fullest.	Employee
#23325	9-17-23 9:16 PM	Facility plan/building improvement	Regarding the building improvement plan, Marshall Middle school would need its pool renovated. This is the only middle school with no functional pool on site. This needs to be fixed ! Also the Auditorium equipment is very old. Lightning and sounds are barely working which makes the work of the drama teacher very difficult. My last suggestion would be to have an high school gifted academy on the same campus as the elementary and middle school (it probably will never happen but I thought I would mention it too...). Thanks.	Parent/Guardian
#23323	9-17-23 9:08 PM	Need the pool to be refurbished	The Marshall swim team needs its pool back in operation!	Parent/Guardian
#23321	9-16-23 4:20 PM	Late start Thursday	I find it really difficult to find a ride for my son on Thursday when the children start at 10am. I changed my schedule to be able to drop my child off at 8:45 in order to be at work by 9am. I have also talked to other parents who find the 10am days hard whether their child is a car or bus rider. I called the school to check if perhaps there was a study hall and there is no such thing. I feel this late start schedule puts a wrench in a working parents schedule. What working office has employees coming in after 10am? None. Please take into consideration the inconvenience the 10am start causes. Thank you.	Parent/Guardian

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#23318	9-16-23 7:48 AM	The good and bad	My son is on the bus well over an hour and it ran late and he was on it 5 mins shy of 2 hours. Nobody notified us it was late. Longer hours does not mean better quality of learning. More homework does not either. This adds to burn out in the students. Quality over quantity. Marshall elementary has an amazing schedule this year (4th grade) and a music class that includes movement. The core class blocks are done first thing in the morning with a mini recess time between them. The afternoon includes math chats/games, centers, etc. The kids LOVE it! I strongly encourage the model they are using because the engagement is strong with the students!!! (I also teach but not at RPS so this really caught my attention) What is the safety protocol for the trailers at Auburn when there's a lockdown? Is putting kids in trailers truly equitable and safe? You lose the gifted kids from middle to high school because of the school location and now you shove them in trailers outside the building?!? Build another location if you can't handle the quantity. Also, families are sick of driving that far for the gifted program!!!!!! And the kids are burnt when you add over an hour each way on a bus. Place them in the middle of Rockford for high school. The poor kids can't even find a seat to eat their lunch in the cafeteria there but nobody seems to pay attention and notice. They stand and eat their lunch and sit on floors. That is rude and unsanitary. The school can't support that many kids. You're only going to lose more of this population. I love the Cherry Valley schools building and model. The teachers are amazing there! Great job!	Parent/Guardian
#23316	9-15-23 11:42 PM	Jefferson - Field House	As all of the other high schools in Rockford have an indoor field house I believe it would only be equitable for Jefferson to have a field house as well. The space that is allowed for practices to occur at all of the other schools is an awesome benefit that should be shared by Jefferson as well.	Community Member
#23315	9-15-23 3:35 PM	Facilities Feedback	1. More electrical outlets in classrooms. 2. Built in storage, walk in closets for every classroom to store classroom and grade level materials and therefore declutter the learning environment 3. Classroom furniture that is functional and practical for the grade level and class sizes. 4. Paint color palette in classrooms that is calming or more neutral as opposed to the current neon green and orange aesthetic.	Employee
#23314	9-15-23 3:32 PM	facilities	Guilford and RESA are EXTREMELY overcrowded. Something should be done about this.	Parent/Guardian
#23313	9-15-23 1:35 PM	No office space for itinerant staff	Social Workers, Psychologists, Occupational Therapists, Physical Therapists, Title I staff, S/L Pathologists all need their own space to see kids. There is not enough office space for all of these important staff to do there job effectively and efficiently if they always have to "find a spot" to work! The hallway is not a confidential space for professional staff to see students.	Employee
#23312	9-15-23 1:13 PM	Suggested Improvements	Please consider adding toilets/bathrooms to Ellis Elementary. There are 2-3 stalls per bathroom which means only 4-6 students out of 24 can use the restroom at a time. Multiplied by the number of minutes it takes to use the bathroom, wash and dry hands, and come back out, our bathroom breaks are taking up way too much learning time. Obviously kids need to use the bathroom, but if we could get some help expediting that process, I'm sure our test scores will go up because they will have more learning time! There is so much wasted space in classrooms and teachers are running out of safe places to put all the wonderful learning materials the district has provided. Please consider adding storage or shelving units in classrooms and shared spaces. We would love to keep things off the top of cabinets, off the floor, and off the heaters, but we need somewhere to put them. To eliminate the fire hazard of multi-plug outlets, please consider adding more outlets everywhere, starting with classrooms. We are doing what it takes to keep all of the amazing technology running, but we want to do it safer and more efficiently. Thank you for your consideration.	Employee
#23311	9-15-23 1:11 PM	Handicapped	Handicapped accessible parking for parents with students whom are handicapped have all seemed to be in a line of buses or cars. There really should be better designated locations for child safety.	Parent/Guardian
#23309	9-15-23 1:05 PM	Spring Creek Elementary parking lot	I would love to see some improvements to the parking lot, a right had turn lane into the school and coming out of the school. Maybe adding more parking stalls in the front grass area to allow for more parking during events.	Parent/Guardian

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#23308	9-15-23 12:12 PM	Let's Update Visual Arts Facilities for Middle Schools!	Currently, our middle schools are lacking up-to-date, dedicated visual arts facilities. Let's reimagine these spaces to foster best studio art practices in students. Updated, equitable facilities with increased fixtures, space and storage would help develop our art programs by freeing students to engage in a wider variety of processes and work on a larger scale. Our visual arts teachers are dedicated and talented. Our students have such incredible talent and potential. Better working environments would allow this productive connection to flourish even more! In the current RPS 205 plans, we're disheartened to see all dedicated fine arts administrative staff being phased out. Do we want to be known as a community pillar that supports the arts? This initiative could go a long way in restoring community confidence that RPS 205 cares about the arts and intends to continue investing in them. I have had the pleasure of visiting every Middle School Visual Arts classroom location. Here are some observations: - Most have been co-opted from science labs, weight rooms, garages, or traditional classrooms. - None have adequate, dedicated student project storage or student tool/supply storage. - One art classroom does not have a sink. Several have sinks that are broken or in a location/sightline that make it difficult or impossible to supervise and use safely. - Most rooms are too cramped to work on projects comfortably. - Most teachers have to "get creative" to safely store items that may pose student safety risks. - Several classrooms are not in the same location as their kiln. - Each has different tools and fixtures, or lacks different tools and fixtures. - All are extremely outdated. The visual art classroom requires a very unique type of space in order to do what we do with videdity and do it safely. Because our needs are so unique, these classrooms have mostly been left untouched and are largely subject to leftovers and make-do situations that discourage authentic creative learning and production. I think it's time to update RPS 205 middle school art rooms to finally address our singular needs and provide safe, equitable, up-to-date, and comfortable workspaces for our MANY art students. Thanks for your consideration! I'm always happy to discuss further!	Employee
#23307	9-15-23 11:02 AM	Facilities Plan Kick-off	1. I would like to see upgrades and improvements made to restrooms. West Middle School does not have a sufficient number of restrooms for staff and students. Students and staff often must travel far during a short passing period to reach the restroom. An effort to designate more restrooms for staff has limited access for students. 2. I would like to see greater consideration for room design and furniture choice. For example, restorative practices are emphasized, but few rooms at West are set up to effectively facilitate the restorative practice of circles. The main inhibiting factors are rooms being too small and furniture be mismatched and oddly shaped, limiting ease of movement and organization.	Employee
#23306	9-15-23 10:09 AM	Facilities Plan	Marshall Middle needs to have an operating pool again. We are the only middle school without one and yet have several students who are part of the swim team. This is also an issue because the PE curriculum no longer allows for students to learn fundamentals of swimming. Just recently it was a priority at Kennedy and West to update lighting and the pools - Marshall's pool deserves the same attention.	Parent/Guardian
#23305	9-15-23 10:07 AM	Extra Bathrooms	We need extra bathrooms in Pods A-C at Rolling green elementary. We also need adult bathroom in that are too.	Employee
#23304	9-15-23 9:57 AM	Marshall Elementary Classroom Safety	I am concerned about the safety of our students at Marshall as none of their classrooms are able to lock and secure the students in.	Parent/Guardian
#23303	9-15-23 9:46 AM	RE: 5 year plan	We would love to see something done with the empty pool here at Rolling Green. It would be nice if they could fill in the pool and create functioning, useable space. We are in desperate need of more student bathrooms on the former Muhl school side of the building and the pool area has the plumbing in order to make that happen. One large boys and one large girls bathroom with at least 4 stalls would be ideal. In addition, our current cafeteria area is tiny for a building of our size. A new space could be created in the are for a new cafeteria since there is plenty of plumbing and electrical already available. Currently, we have many students who wear diapers due to having the PLUS program in our building. It would be nice if there were a couple of changing rooms too which also include a sink and toilet.	Employee
#23302	9-15-23 9:40 AM	Kennedy Middle School	Roads entering the site. Corner of Pierpont and School is very chaotic before and after school due to only having one entry for parents and another for buses. If there was an emergency or threat this would be a disaster. There should be a parking lot in front of the school for parents and a seperate for staff.	Employee
#23299	9-15-23 9:26 AM	Drop offs in AM	I suggest that there be a work line/lane strictly for all the parents who have to be at work immediately after dropping their child/children off at school. With Nashold being a one way in and one way out, it gets very tight and hectic back there. For proof, parents provider their work schedule in exchange for a sticker or some sort of way for the car to have the okay of being in that lane.	Parent/Guardian
#23297	9-15-23 8:46 AM	Facilities Plan Moving Forward	ALL schools should have a safe, equitable and functioning playground.	Community Member
#23294	9-15-23 8:04 AM	bird-friendly windows	I'm retired, but still work part-time for the bilingual department. I used to teach at Barbour. There is a large expanse of glass at the southwest stairway. Migratory birds strike the windows and die. There are clear films with lines or patterns that can be applied to glass that will alert birds to the danger. Doing that to Barbour's windows (and perhaps to similar windows at other buildings) will not only save birds, but be an interesting teaching opportunity for kids. Full disclosure: I'm on the board of Sinnissippi Audubon Society, so am invested in conserving birds and their habitats. Thanks.	Employee

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#23293	9-15-23 7:39 AM	Parking at Bloom	We currently have an issue with parking for all our faculty and staff at Bloom. Many of us are parking on the street. Last year, one of our teachers' cars was stolen right in front of our building. My suggestion, as well as many others within our building, is to add another parking lot on the north side of our building between the building and the baseball field. That entrance is currently a drop off zone anyways.	Employee
#23292	9-15-23 7:29 AM	Windows That Open	Offices should be allowed to have windows that open, in the event of an emergency, this would provide a second exit out of the building.	Employee
#23291	9-15-23 7:23 AM	facilities updates suggestion	It's wonderful to have an air-conditioned elementary building! Thank you! However, the gym was not included in the AC update. It is normally the hottest room in the building. It would be nice to have AC in there too. Also, when the building was painted, the gym got left out and is still sporting its outdated 70's colors. In addition, when the rest of the building got new furniture, the PE teacher is left with his old desk & office. I think he's feeling rather neglected. One other note, I don't think the painters finished when they painted the school. The last strip of tile on the hallway walls was left pink, and none of the bathrooms were painted (and they need it!).	Employee
#23290	9-15-23 6:49 AM	toilets / restrooms	Auburn High needs more restrooms. In particular, we need single user rooms. Single user restrooms have many benefits over larger, stalled restrooms. This is especially true for the many nonbinary and trans kids who don't feel safe using the restroom their assigned sex would dictate. For student and adult nonbinary people, using a gendered bathroom disallows the person's identity and feels like sexual harassment every time we are forced to make that decision. Single rooms would also help students who are very private about moving their bowels after breakfast and lunch. The staff at Auburn need more toilets closer to their classrooms. It's almost impossible to use the toilet between classes, especially if someone (or two) people are in line ahead of you. Good sources for info: https://ggwash.org/view/88972/single-user-restrooms-are-a-good-idea-how-do-we-make-them-cost-effective https://www.genderinclassrooms.com/single-post/2019/03/31/the-benefits-to-all-gender-single-stall-bathrooms	Employee
#23289	9-15-23 6:24 AM	Safety	My kids have to walk to school because we're too close for a bus but there are no sidewalks. Every morning I'm afraid they're going to get hit by a car on the way to school.	Parent/Guardian, Employee
#23288	9-15-23 6:22 AM	Lathrop Park	The Lathrop Park is in horrible condition. Students are using it but it is overgrown and there is garbage. Rockford Park District claims it is 205's responsibility. I am not sure who it belongs to but it should be maintained far better than it is for the sake of the students as well as the neighborhood.	Employee
#23287	9-15-23 6:10 AM	5 year facilities	Update the science labs. They are 60 years old and generally unfunctionable. Finish the jobs that didn't get done right the first time (Auburn locker room)	Parent/Guardian, Employee
#23286	9-15-23 4:36 AM	Bathrooms	I would like to see more female and male exclusive bathrooms in the high school. My girls said they can't go to the bathroom because the female bathrooms are so far away and passing periods don't allow enough time to get to the bathroom and back and they do not feel safe in the inclusive bathrooms. Not to mention wondering where parents will go to the bathroom when we go see theatre productions and other school events. An adult with an opposite biological gender teen in the same bathroom is just wrong on so many levels. So is a teen with an opposite biological gender teen in the same bathroom. My mother is handicapped and can't walk long distances to find a female bathroom so hopefully there will be one close enough so she can attend school events.	Parent/Guardian
#23283	9-14-23 11:20 PM	Security	Because of everything we have experienced with weapons, kidnappings, robberies, I think that schools (p-kindergarten, elementary, middle and high school) should be surrounded by a metal fence, have security and a metal detector, maybe this can help to keep our children a little safer and parents calmer.	Parent/Guardian
#23281	9-14-23 9:34 PM	GHS	The parking lot needs to be enlarged!	Parent/Guardian
#23278	9-14-23 9:10 PM	Long bus journey	My kid goes to Marshall Elementary and his AM bus starts at 6:27am and reaches school by 8:05am. This is almost 2 hours of travel time and return home is 1 hour in the evening. I understand the unavoidable situation due to shortage of bus drivers. The question is - the morning bus goes around our area for an hour, is it allowed if we can board the bus in different bus stop to reduce the morning travel time? If it's not allowed, why can't you make it flexible until the driver shortage issues are resolved. Morning bus number for ref: route 59 Thanks.	Parent/Guardian
#23277	9-14-23 8:45 PM	Pick up/drop off	My children go to Brookview and this year it has gotten a lot worse with the drop off and pick up. Parking is horrible!!! Would also be nice if the kids had actual desks and not tables.	Parent/Guardian

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#23276	9-14-23 8:27 PM	Montessori	School claims they don't have the support team or resources to help students when they need to establish 504/IEPs And then have them reassigned to the zone school. Also the school has a bad rap when you mention this to other staff in the district. And why are 4 and 5 year olds going for 6 hours a day here in Prek 4 when studies have shown this is not good for the Montessori style of teaching. Some of these kiddos are going 8 hours when you have them bussed? I think this program needs to be really looked into as they are being a great learning environment when they are not willing to help all students who walk thru the doors. You can not simply pick and choose who you want at your school and keep your special Ed numbers low because it looks good. If you expect 100% from these kids then we want a 1000% from you. Also this school needs better training in handling any behavior disorders and understanding with these students and how it affects their whole health and mind. Simply saying a student is unworkable here and sorry hope you get the help at another school is just acceptable. And every parent who has to had their child reassigned needs to be asked why.	Parent/Guardian
#23275	9-14-23 8:17 PM	Spring Creek Elementary Exit Expansion	The departure lane to exit the school is not wide enough to support the drop off and pick up cars. The lane to exit is one lane and briefly splits into two along Spring Creek. Many people drive on the grass and over the curb in order to exit. I feel that widening the exit to extend to the length of the drive out then the flow would go much smoother and safer for both buses and cars.	Parent/Guardian
#23274	9-14-23 8:10 PM	Nothing	Nothing	Parent/Guardian