

Facility Planning Task Force



Meeting 3 Summary

On Wednesday, April 5, 2023, the Facility Planning Task Force met at Trinity High School and received information from Dr. Harrington, High School Principals Randy Belcher and Mike Harris, and Corgan Architects about the vision and preliminary design of the two new high schools as they visited existing classrooms, science labs, the library, and the main gym. Following months of evaluation of whether to renovate or replace the existing high school facilities, it was determined that the most effective solution would be to replace both LD Bell and Trinity High Schools. Corgan shared about the process of meeting with students, staff, parents, and community members to glean what is most important to them for these facilities. Images were shared of "what could be" for these two new campuses. Both high schools will maintain their distinct character and have large courtyards for outdoor learning that also provide opportunity for natural light and views from every core classroom in each facility. There will be a student union space for dining, library, and collaboration areas that elevate these campuses to more of a collegiate atmosphere.

The number of gymnasiums will grow to better meet the needs of a 6A campus, providing dedicated space for dance and gymnastics. Each campus' athletic wing will be connected to the existing Indoor Activity Centers that were built approximately 10 years ago. The competition arena will hold 3,000 spectators, allowing the entire student body to join in pep rallies and similar events and providing sufficient space for viewing games.

Fine Arts will have rehearsal halls suited for the district's high-ranking band, choir, and orchestra programs. Theater will have a black box that can seat 100-150 for smaller performances. All programs will have the privilege to perform in a new 950-seat theater with stage space and acoustics designed to suit for each of those programs, including a fly loft and wing space on each side of the stage for sets.

Phasing and initial opinions of probable cost were also shared. Dr. Harrington also reviewed the tax impact information that was initially shared in Meeting 2.



Meeting 3

Wednesday, April 26, 2023 @ Bell Manor Elementary

The task force will hear presentations on the remaining project recommendations, including KEYS HS, Bell Manor, Elementary, Hurst JH, and Districtwide Technology updates.