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A [renovation and addition project for the Mount Nittany Elementary school \(MNE\)](#) was approved at the August 21, 2023 board meeting. This serves as an update of the progress made to-date with Crabtree Rohrbaugh and Associates (CRA) and the administration. The program and components of the most recent elementary building projects serve as the basis in the initial design.

- Instructional program discussed primarily focused:
 - special education program including three classrooms plus
 - Two autistic classrooms
 - One classroom for multiple disability classrooms
 - One sensory classroom
 - Six regular education classrooms
 - One instrumental music classroom
 - Storage and small group instruction
- New kitchen and cafeteria spaces
- Building storage and office space needs were also discussed
- Geotech analysis and site survey of the property are scheduled
- Construction site and lay down area implications are being considered for the MNE and middle school program
- Building MEP (Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing) capacities are being evaluated

In addition to the proposed designed, the following items also being considered:

- Addition of restroom facilities into existing classroom for kindergarten
- One MD classroom will be utilized as Sensory
- New autistic and MD classroom to have adjoining restroom/changing facilities
- Designated classroom for STEM
- Design and location of lobby and office space
- Consideration of new lobby to include creative instructional space
- Review size of current faculty room, possible relocation

- Possible relocation of counseling office
- Shape of SGI for additional space
- Number of faculty restrooms in building and specifically in new addition

Employee stakeholder review of the proposed design is expected to occur over the next month. Community stakeholder review and input can be obtained through Board and PTO meetings throughout the process.

The proposed design schedule from August is included in the presentation. We have already identified steps in the design process which will be adjusted in the process. Some of these steps are occurring earlier, however cannot predict if this will move the entire project forward at this point. Designing a great project for these students as quickly as possible is the goal. The design schedule will be updated in the next update.