



Your Voice Matters

FACILITIES MASTER PLANNING: PHASE TWO

Burbank Building Team Meeting #2 Feedback

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What do you like or dislike about each of the options? Why?

- Repairing the building does not include adding bathrooms. In my mind, the repair option is not acceptable for Burbank (or any school in Upper Arlington). The renovate option will have many challenges: how does a renovation happen while we are operating a school? Will we need to go to a different location during renovations? The building will still have physical constraints as far as how the building is arranged. However, a renovation would still HUGELY improve the current conditions for things like: having accessible bathrooms, larger spaces in classrooms, and adding some natural light. A rebuild will give the school the most options as far as how spaces are utilized, and will provide options for future growth. The rebuild option will provide more continuity for classrooms to work together (not as spread throughout the building).
- Repair option is just putting a temporary Band-Aid on an already existing unrealistic situation. In the near future, the repair will need to be reevaluated and may even be more costly at that time and the school will be in the same predicament. The repair option does not address any of the major concerns, especially bathrooms, class size or daylight that we know through research is not up to normal standards or best for educational purposes. The reno option is doable however it puts a constraint on children, staff and families for the next three years, especially concerning the summer programs. Relocating classrooms, too much transitioning, and building noise while building is could put undue stress on children, families and the staff. The rebuild option seems to be the best option for long lasting effects plus it seems like it will provide the most beneficial growth for the district and the community in the future.
- Repair- doesn't address the major concerns. Seems temporary fix, future expansion options? Renovate- again, doesn't seem to address concerns. Will it reflect standard that community expects/wants to convey? Rebuild- like that doesn't affect current building so can continue operation, like the idea of open green space (maybe community garden and other opportunities) however big parking lot in between.
- Renovate - new entry, bathrooms, class size. Better natural light. Rebuild- potentially better value for lifecycle of the facility. Better floor plan. Potentially more future proof.
- The renovation is concerning with the length of relocate or moving the summer program. Rebuild seems the better option for the children, staff, overall best for the school. Repair does not address bathroom issues, or more daylight to classroom or class size...worst option by far.

- With the renovate option, I like the main entry addition, having the library/gross motor room/MPR on the 1st level and new windows in classrooms. I think the construction timeline for the renovation is not as favorable as the rebuild timeline. With the rebuild option, I like that there is a shorter timeline, which means less disruption for our staff and students. I like that the outdoor play area will remain the same with the rebuild option. I like the setup of the building with the rebuild option. With the repair option, many of the needs of the building are not being met (i.e. bathrooms, windows, etc). This would be my least favorite option.
- Disrupting programming with renovation. Repair doesn't address bathrooms and windows. Rebuild seems plausible
- Dislike the repair only option as it does not really solve most of the day to day problems that we have (bathrooms, front stairwell safety). I like that the bathrooms are addressed in both renovate and rebuild. Like the addition of more natural light in both the renovate and rebuild options. I like that the kids wouldn't be displaced in the rebuild options and that the outdoor play spaces are maintained in both.
- Don't like the length for remodel. Too disruptive to school for 3 summers. Seems like a nightmare.
- Like: Renovate: bathrooms in classrooms are nice, secured entry and lobby. Rebuild: new bathrooms in classrooms, don't have to move during construction, more appropriate therapy settings for OT PT Speech, more daylight, efficient HVAC Dislike: Repair: no bathrooms in classrooms, no additional space for storage, therapy spaces don't change, HVAC is concerning, classrooms may lose size if bathrooms need to be brought up to ADA compliance. Renovate: would have to be in same building as construction- interrupts learning, may not have appropriate space for therapy (OT, PT, Speech). Rebuild: would need parking to be same as staff + parent parking currently
- I believe that rebuild is the best option because the building needs so much renovation given its initial purpose was not childcare and education.

Are there any other thoughts or options we should be considering?

- The bathrooms are a huge issue in our building. The stairs are a huge issue. Lighting (both natural lights and overhead lights) are a huge issue. Children spend more hours in our building than they spend at home. The environment is "the third teacher" in our classroom, and everything from lighting to space influence how children's brains develop!
- Also it is important to think about the ability for expansion. As our district continues to grow and our community continues to grow the need for Early Childhood also grows as well. The the district has an incredible opportunity to make Burbank one of the leading and desirable Pre-K schools in the state of Ohio for others to exemplify.
- Thinking about parking during either the renovate or rebuild options. Currently the staff lot is pretty full during the day. Going down to one lot may have frustrations from parents at the times when a lot are dropping off at the same time (9:15,12:45) as they wouldn't have a spot. Just something to consider when planning.

- Was the community included in the decision to not expanded enrollment? If not, why? Would that allow increased funding to cover more operating costs/expenses? Expanding program to include part time options would be beneficial for families, especially to expand the peer model program.
- Future growth of the district. Does the renovate option give enough flexibility for future needs?
- A concern of mine would be having to relocate during a renovation; that is a big disruption for our staff and students. With a rebuild, we would be able to stay in our current building.
- With repair- are we up to code for preschoolers? Or, is the building grandfathered in?
- Cannot recall the exact location of things from the slides but having a set of student bathrooms across from the large motor space/shared spaces would be beneficial. Keeping the louder motor spaces slightly separate from classrooms to minimize sound disruptions. For the Jack and Jill bathrooms- making sure they can be closed off floor to ceiling so classrooms aren't seeing into each other/hearing the noise of the other. Ensuring there are enough collaborative spaces for staff.
- It is a gross mistake to not add additional space for expanding the student population given so many factors. Those include the waiting list, that some portions of the school are self-funded, the community is growing, and this is a once in a generation opportunity to expand the number of children to which we can provide this critical service. Given the expense of the renovate and rebuild options, two or three additional classrooms won't add that much to the construction budget.