

Tacoma Public Schools

CAPITAL PROJECTS

SHAPING THE FUTURE IDEA TOGETHER

TACOMA PUBLIC SCHOOLS
EVERY STUDENT. EVERY DAY.

BUILDING FOR ACHIEVEMENT

PLANS FOR PARK AVENUE

As part of Tacoma Public Schools' efforts to right-size and improve its facilities for students and the community, the school district plans to:

- Rebuild IDEA High School at the former Gault School site
- Sell Park Avenue location

Benefits:

- **Avoids multiple relocations** during demolition and rebuild.
- Provides a more **central location** for IDEA students and families.
- Enhances access to **shared educational resources** (e.g., SOTA, SAMI, Maritime 253).
- Opportunities for **additional district programs and community partnerships** (e.g., Maritime 253, Oakland projects).
- Part of district effort to right-size facilities to **reduce** maintenance and custodial **costs**.



ABOUT IDEA HIGH SCHOOL

IDEA is a collaborative creative environment centered around industrial design, engineering, and the arts made up of high school students, non-profits, professional organizations, and for-profit businesses of all sizes.

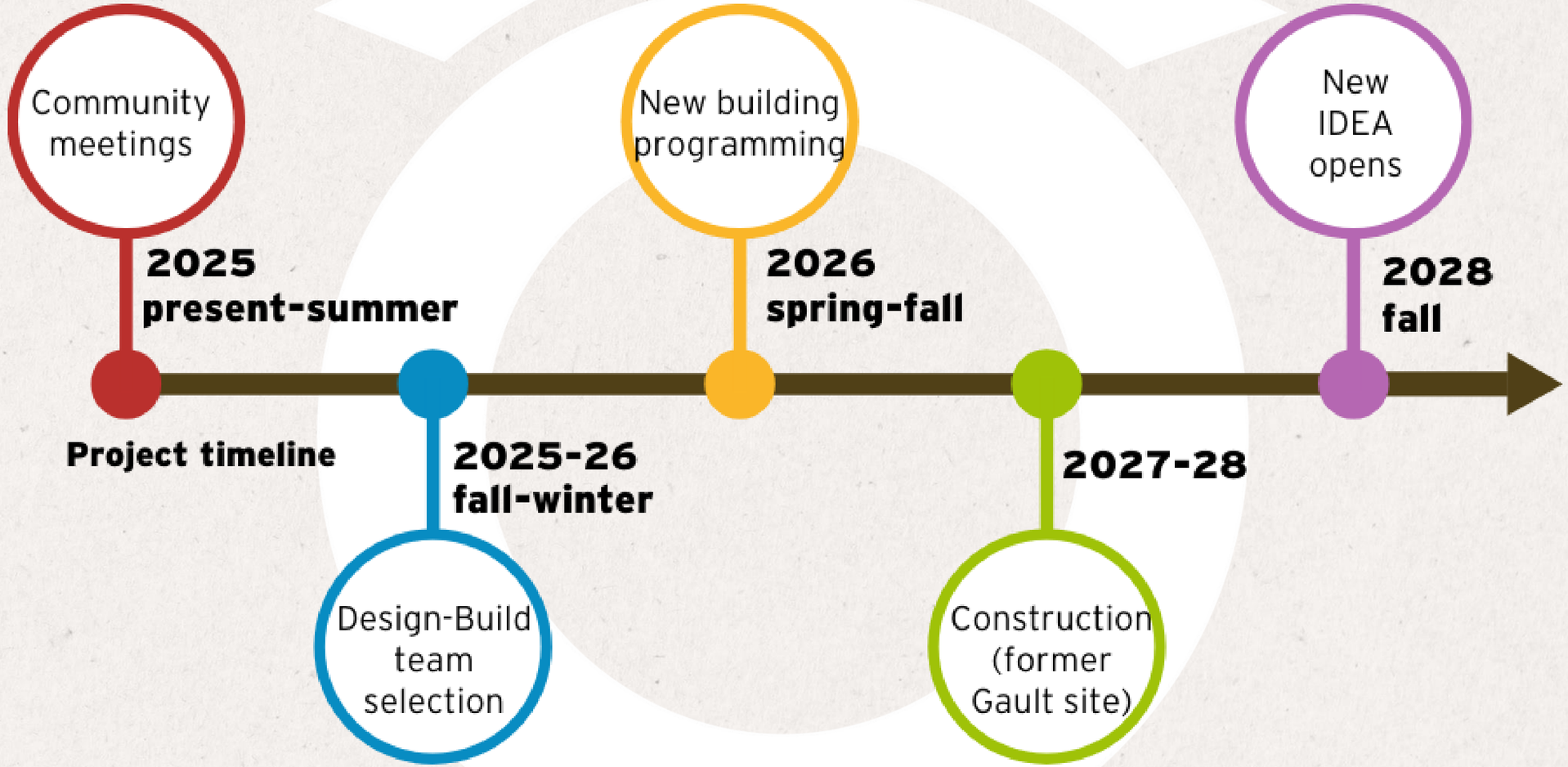


Innovative Learning for Creative Thinkers:

- Focused on **Industrial Design, Engineering, and Art**, students engage in real-world projects that develop problem-solving and creativity.
- A community-driven school that values an **inclusive and collaborative learning environment**.
- Prepares students for **college and careers** through industry partnerships, internships, and skill-building experiences.
- A choice high school, **welcoming all students** passionate about design, technology, and the arts.

NEXT STEPS

Students will stay at the current location until the new building opens in Fall 2028.



HOW TO STAY IN THE KNOW

WEBSITES

- New IDEA High School being built at former Gault site:

www.tacomaschools.org/departments/pc/gault-project-copy

- TPS Surplus Property site:

www.tacomaschools.org/departments/pc/surplus-property

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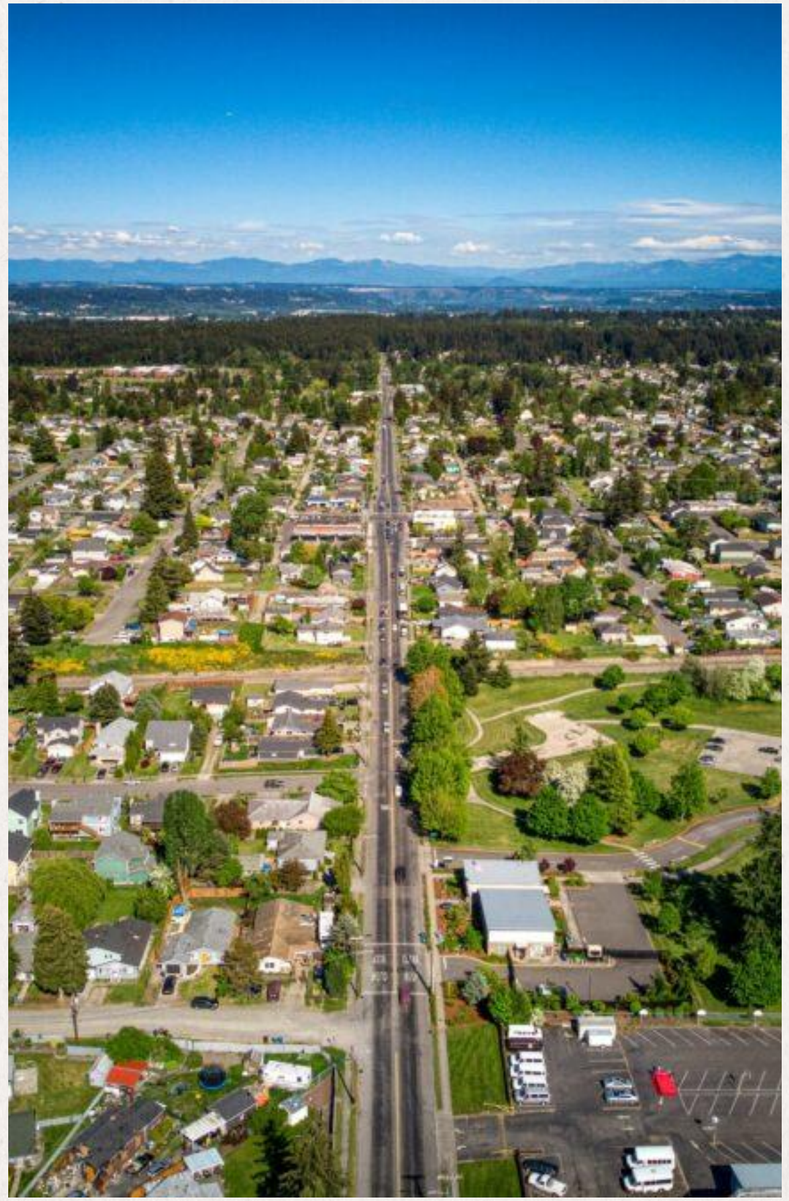



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