Bond Update

Review of Community Input

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Facility Assessment and Feasibility Study

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Woolpert Study Recap

Phase recommendations based on OCS Facility Assessment

Phase 2

Phase 3

	Facility	Strategy	Budget
Phase 1	Central ES (Partial Rebuild)	Replacement School	\$34.5M
	New ES	New School	\$49.5M
	Hillsborough ES	Consolidate	\$1.3M
	Orange MS	Replacement School	\$71.5M
	New Hope ES	Adequacy	\$13.0M
	Partnership Academy	Replacement School	\$9.4M
		Total	\$179.2M

Facility	Strategy	Budget
Efland-Cheeks ES	Adequacy	\$3.4M
Grady Brown ES	High Priority Needs	\$4.8M
Pathways ES	High Priority Needs	\$4.7M
River Park ES	High Priority Needs	\$6.7M
Cedar Ridge HS	High Priority Needs	\$6.3M
Maintenance Department	High Priority Needs	\$0.0M
Orange HS	Replacement School	\$153.9M
Transportation Department	High Priority Needs	\$1.7M
	Total	\$181.5M

Facility	Strategy	Budget
Welcome Center	High Priority Needs	\$0.7M
A.L. Stanback MS	Renovation	\$54.0M
Gravelly Hill MS	Renovation	\$48.5M
	Total	\$103.2M



Feasibility Study

Design Options for 2024 Bond Allocation

OPTION 1 New K-5 | On Site Replacement at Central ES

OPTION 2 New K-5 | Greenfield Site Adjacent to Gravelly Hill MS

OPTION 3 New K-8 | On Site Replacement at Orange MS



Option 1 New K-5 | On Site Replacement at Central ES

Considerations

- Swing space needed during construction
- Age of facility and educational adequacy



Option 2

New K-5 | Greenfield Site Adjacent to Gravelly Hill MS

Considerations

- Land availability & educational suitability
- New transportation pattern
- Redistricting '28–'29 school year



Option 3

New K-8 | On Site Replacement at Orange MS

Considerations

- New ES & appropriate sizing for MS
- Improved retention from ES to MS
- Consolidate needs with one project
- Reduction of facility cost over time
- Phasing of construction
- Traffic



Community Engagement Survey

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Seeking Community Input on School Construction

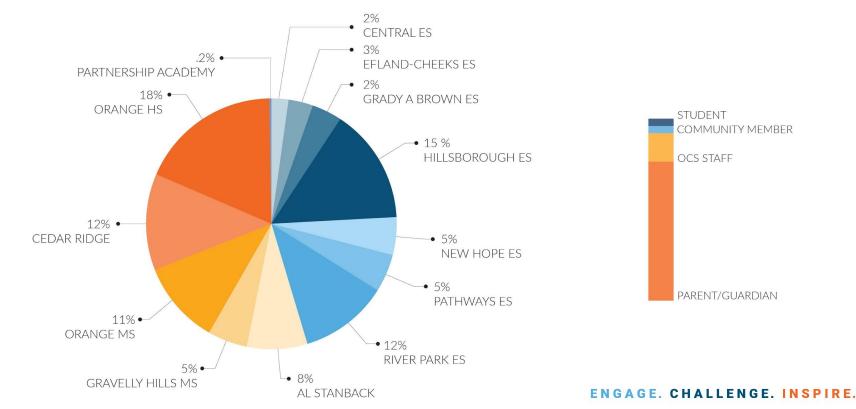
- Relationship to OCS
- Household size, attendance zone, and child(ren)'s school(s)
- Staff school or worksite
- How well do current school facilities meet student needs?
- How much do school facilities impact student learning?
- Facility concerns and recommendations

- Importance of:
 - Program options to meet student needs
 - Support for Transition to 6th Grade
- Preference for new or renovated school facilities
- Most important need-new or renovated elementary, middle, or high school-and why
- Opt-in for bond updates (50%)



Survey Results

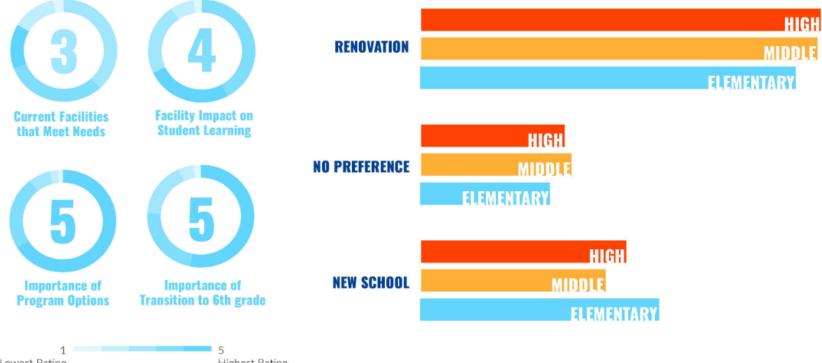
391 Respondents | Household Schools & Respondent Relationship to OCS



Survey Results

Current Facilities & Impact on Learning

Preference for New vs. Renovated



Lowest Rating

Highest Rating

Community Engagement Sessions

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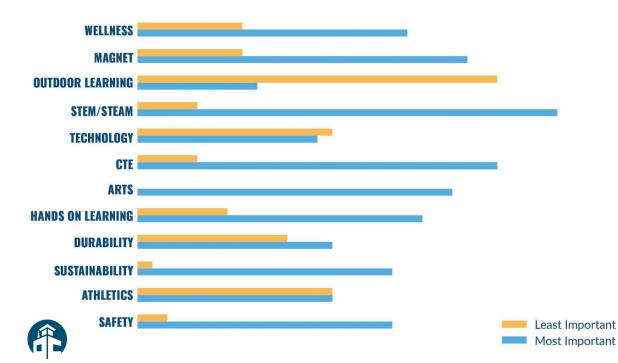
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Community Engagement

25 Total Attendees | February 25 and March 3, 2025

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*This is not representative of how spending on bond projects will be allocated. This reflects the spending per category chosen by 25 participants at two engagement sessions.





Next Steps

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Phase 1



The next Bond Update to the Board will be March 24, 2025 with further analysis of community input and all relevant data.







