

May 27, 2026

Dear Pittsburgh Public Schools Families, Staff, and Community Members,

Tonight, the Board of Public Education approved the District's Future-Ready Facilities Plan, marking an important milestone in our ongoing work to strengthen opportunities for students across Pittsburgh Public Schools.

This long-term plan is designed to modernize learning environments, improve long-term sustainability, and expand equitable access to high-quality academic programming, extracurricular opportunities, and student supports throughout our District.

The approval of this plan reflects years of study, analysis, and community engagement focused on addressing challenges related to declining enrollment, aging infrastructure, and uneven access to programs and resources across schools. Our goal is to ensure every student has access to safe, supportive, and student-centered learning environments that prepare them for success in college, career, and life.

We recognize that this decision may bring a range of emotions and questions for students, families, staff, and community members, particularly in school communities directly impacted by the approved changes. We understand the deep connections families and generations of alumni have to their schools, and we do not take those emotions lightly.

Throughout this process, there have been differing perspectives, strong emotions, and passionate advocacy from many members of our community. That passion reflects how deeply Pittsburgh cares about its public schools and its students.

With the Board's decision now made, our focus must turn toward supporting students, families, and staff through a successful implementation process. This work will require continued communication, collaboration, and a shared commitment to ensuring every student is supported throughout the transition.

While the first phase of changes would not take effect until the start of the 2027–28 school year, the District will now move forward with implementation of the approved plan. Families have already received general information regarding the Future-Ready Facilities Plan, and with Board approval, the District will begin sharing more detailed information regarding timelines, school assignments, transition supports, facility improvements, and opportunities for continued engagement throughout the implementation process.

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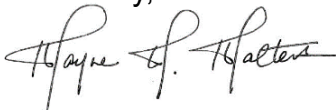
At this time, our schools will continue normal operations, and our focus remains on supporting students academically, socially, and emotionally as we close out the school year.

The Future-Ready Facilities Plan includes investments in modernized learning spaces, expanded academic opportunities, clearer feeder patterns, and stronger long-term sustainability for the District. The plan is projected to generate approximately \$4 million in savings in 2027 and approximately \$8 million in savings in 2028, the first full year of implementation, supporting future investments in academic initiatives and student supports.

We remain committed to transparency, communication, and supporting every school community through each phase of implementation. Additional information, including presentations, FAQs, timelines, and implementation updates, is available at www.pghschools.org/futurepps.

Thank you for your continued partnership and commitment to our students and schools.

Sincerely,



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