#### Scituate Public Schools

### Cushing -Hatherly Elementary School Project

School Building Committee Public Forum

February 15, 2023



# Agenda

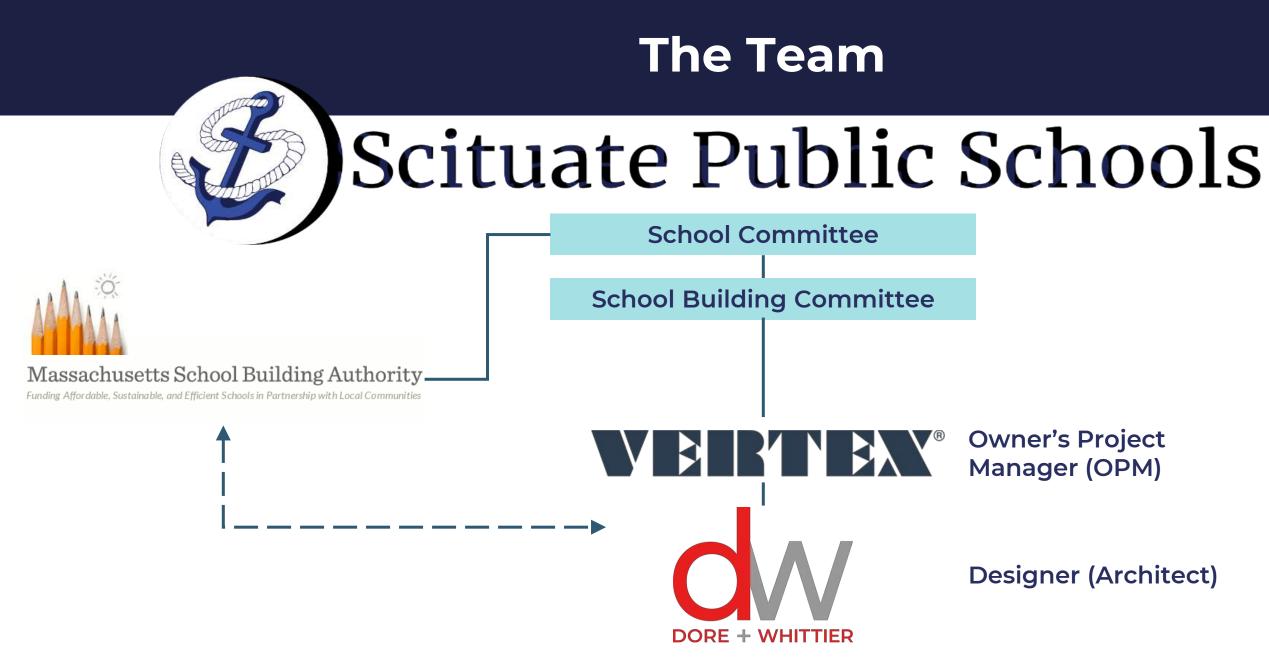
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What **Is** + What **Can Be** Approach Community Feedback Stay Connected



# Introductions



# Who is the School Building Committee?

Robert Dutch, Finance Director, SPS; Chair SBC Nancy Holt, Finance Director, Town of Scituate Tony Vegnani, Chair Selectboard, Town of Scituate James Boudreau, Scituate Town Administrator Stephen Shea, Scituate Public Buildings Commission Kevin Kelly, Facilities Director, Town of Scituate Jerry Kelly, Scituate Advisory Committee Nicole Brandolini, Chair, School Committee Janice Lindblom, School Committee Member William Burkhead, Superintendent of Schools

Julie Ward, Principal, Hatherly School Scott Williams, Principal, Cushing School Jonathan Burwood, Community Member Jared Cianciolo, Community Member Gregg Davey, Community Member Jeff Halbig, Community Member Matt Marino, Community Member Andrew Scanzillo, Community Member Bruce Marshman, Community Member

Community Members have specific experience with Education and/or Building Design & Construction

How we got here, Where we're going MSBA Process and Schedule

# How we got here... Hatherly and Cushing Schools

- Both schools experience space deficiencies in their educational programs, particularly, special education, art, and music.
- Both have inappropriate space adjacencies:
   library, gymnasium
- Each school needs significant upgrades, including HVAC, plumbing, electrical, exterior windows and envelope, accessibility, etc.
- Both have temporary modular classrooms.
- **Hatherly** was determined to be in the most need of the four district elementary schools.



Hatherly Elementary School – 1962 (**61 yrs**)



Cushing Elementary School – 1964 (**59 yrs**)

# MSBA Process Where We're Going: Step-by-Step

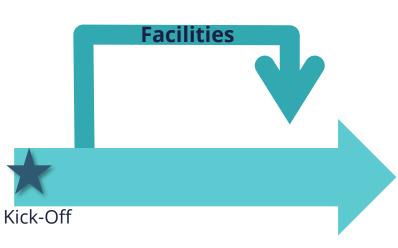


## Where We're Going: Feasibility Study



#### Feb – May 2023 Community Input and Visioning Begins Preliminary

Design Program



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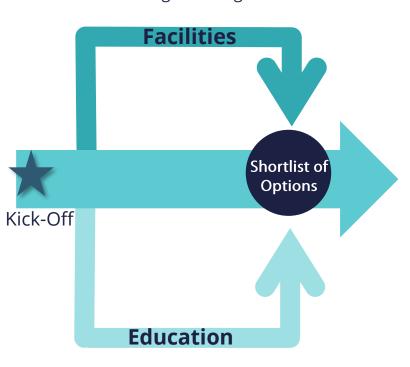
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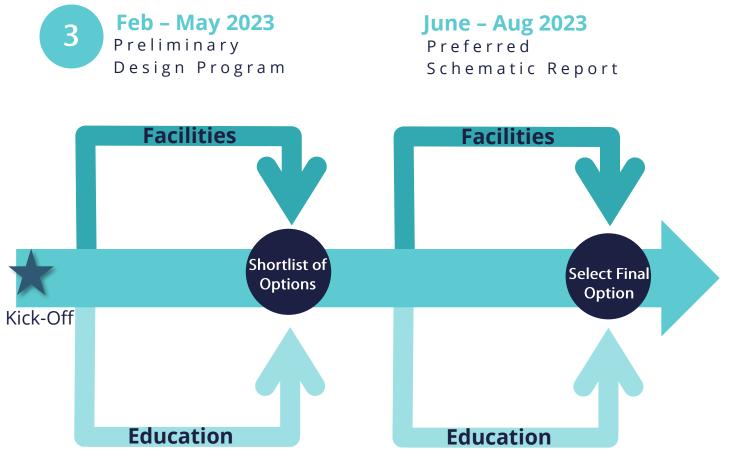
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#### **Space Function - Education**

- How are spaces used?
- Are spaces sized and located appropriate to function?
- Listening sessions
- Visioning sessions
- Principals' workshops
- Meet with faculty, parents, and students
- Community feedback

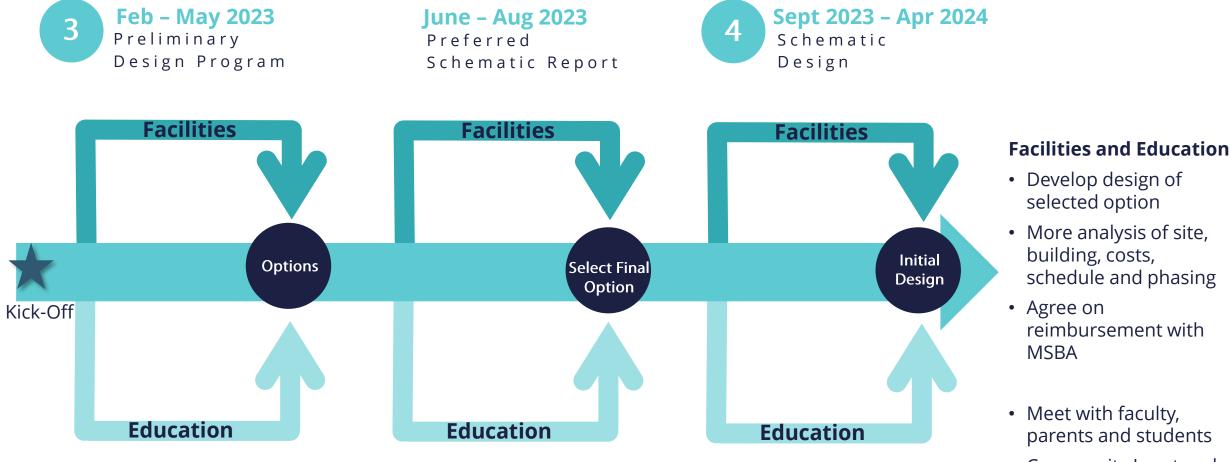
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#### **Facilities and Education**

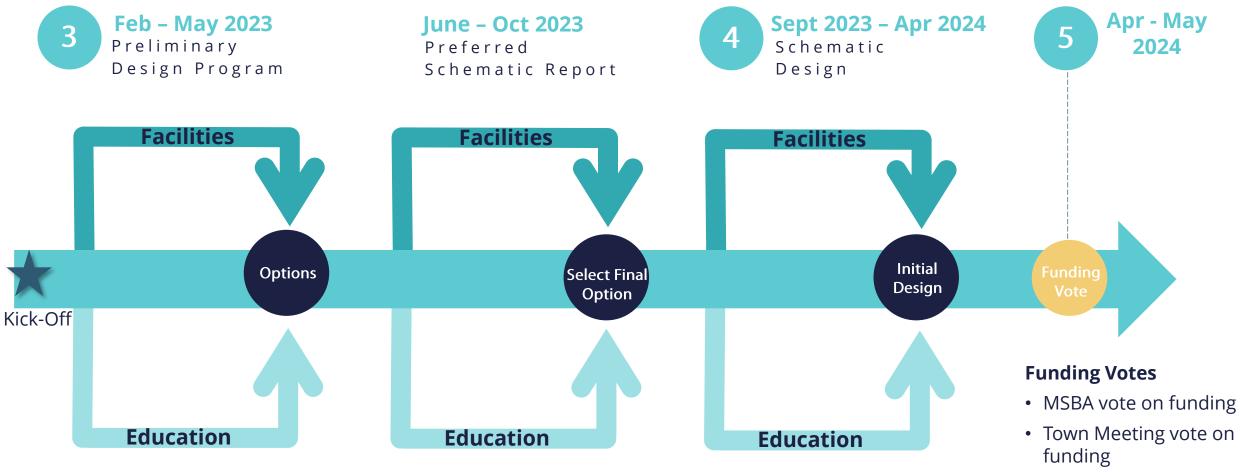
- Narrow focus
- Compare each option
- Review cost estimates
- Analyze shortlist of options
- Submit final option to MSBA
- Meet with faculty, parents and students
- Community Input and Feedback

# Where We're Going: Schematic Design

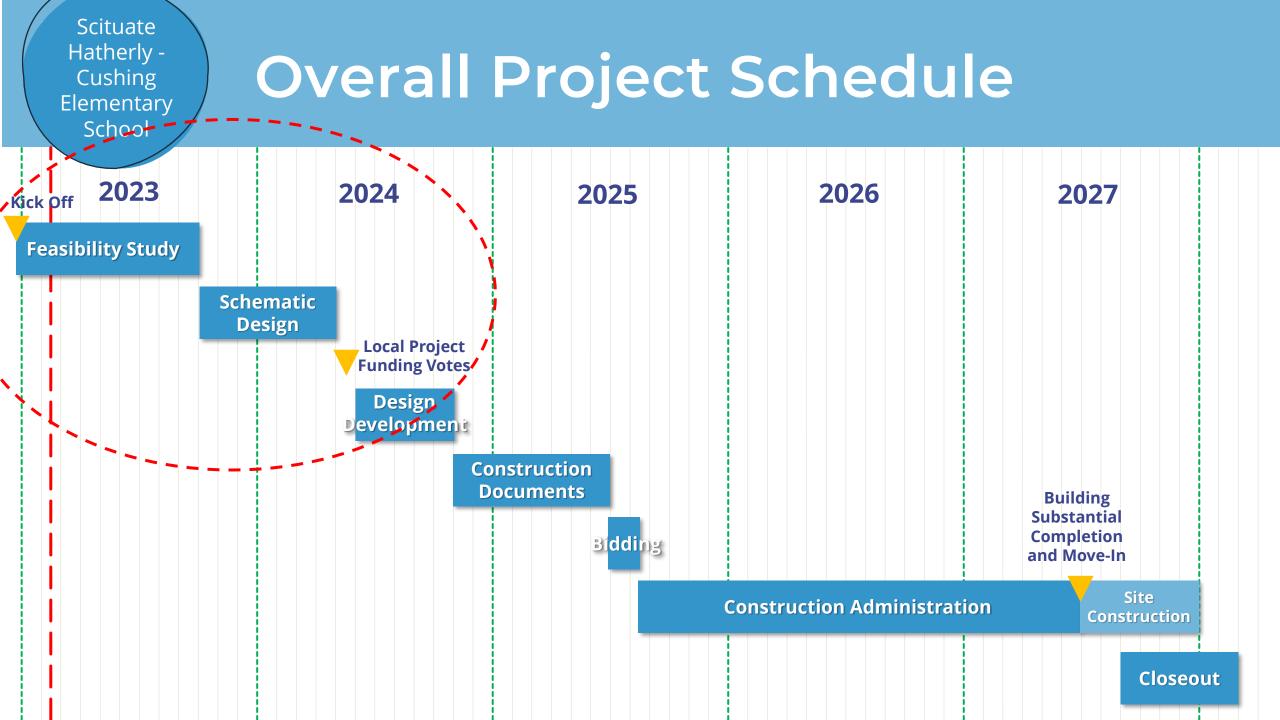


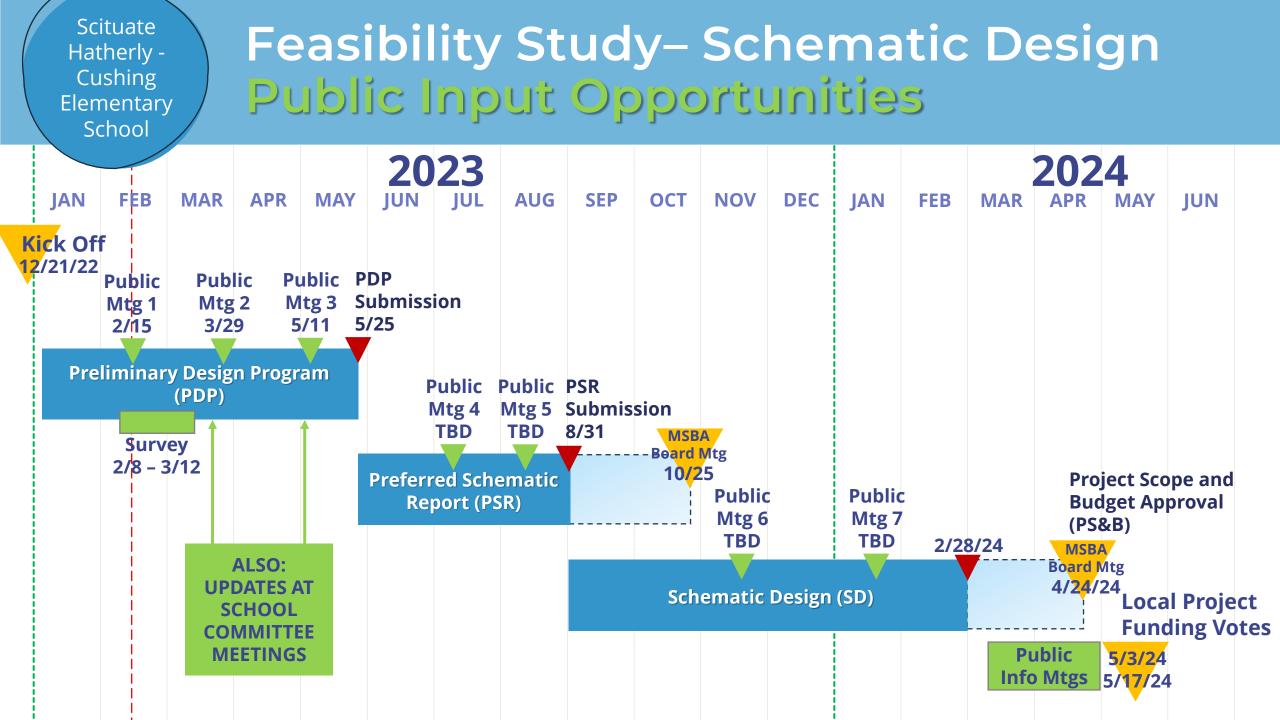
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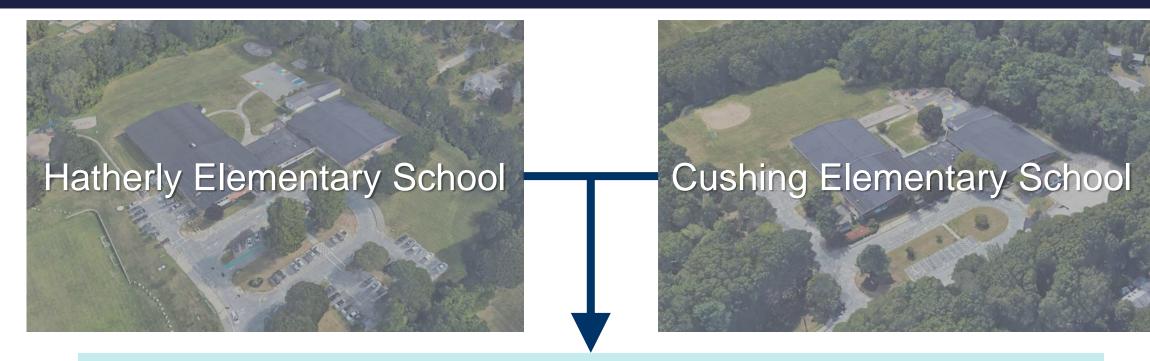


• Town Debt Exclusion Vote



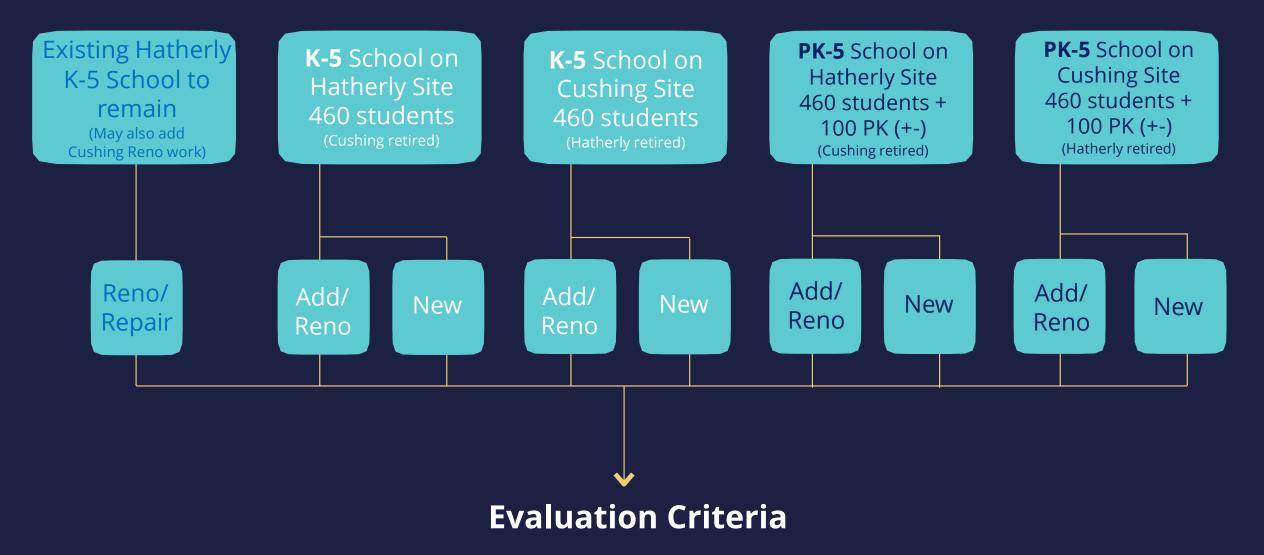


# What is the project?



- A consolidated Grades K-5 school for 460 students
- Evaluate locating the school at both sites and pick the most advantageous site
  - Site plan factors
  - Community location
- Study including Pre-K space in the building.

# Options To Be Studied



# Option Evaluating Criteria How Do We Decide?

Does it support educational goals, including student health and wellness? What is the best **location on site** (approach, circulation, access to field, etc.)? Which best supports **community use**?

Which is the least disruptive to students during **construction**?

What is the **impact** on bussing, traffic & transport, school programs, environment, etc.?

What are the **costs vs. value added** to students + community? What is, and what can be Existing Conditions

# Existing Conditions Assessment: What is

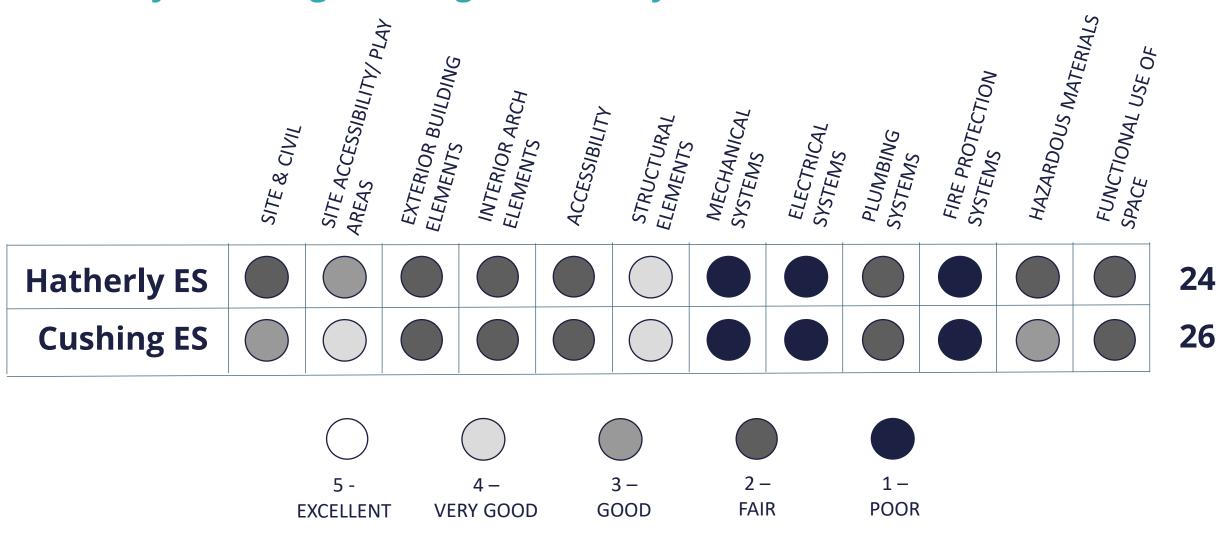
- Hatherly (1962 61 yrs.) and Cushing (1964 59 yrs.) are "twin schools"
- Nearly identical designs and installed components
- Very similar observations between the two buildings to a greater or lesser degree
- Maintenance has differed over the years, so some replaced components are different
- Neither building has had major upgrades
- Bottom line: both schools have great facilities needs





# Existing Conditions Assessment: What is

\*No major red flags or dangerous safety conditions\*



# **Site Issues**

- One entry/exit
- Traffic congestion
- Difficult Circulation
- Inadequate Parking
- Paving Condition
- Accessibility issues

# **Civil/Drainage**

- Poor drainage
- Stormwater standards
- Wet fields









# **Build 1962** Architectural Issues

- Foundations
- Windows
- Panels around windows
- Envelope/ Insulation lacking
- Caulking brittle, cracked
- Modulars deteriorating 20 yrs.









# **Architectural Issues**

- Roof membrane age, condition
- Lack of pitch to drains
- History of leakage
- Eaves and fascias
- Chimney deteriorated
- Lack of roof insulation
- Deck structure not suitable for alterations



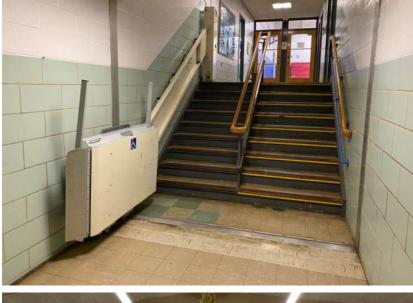






# **Interior Issues**

- Lack of temperature control
- Drafty, leaky envelope
- *Tired, worn interiors*
- Dingy ceilings around air grilles
- Accessibility Issues
- Library & Gym location
- VAT present, stable condition
- Structural upgrades required if renovated









# **Mechanical Issues**

- Outdated, mixed controls
- No BMS
- Aging, inefficient steam boilers
- Gas fuel
- Leaking pipes
- Original unit ventilators
- Aging AHUs
- Window AC units
- Lack of mech. ventilation
- Direct exhaust fans added









# **Electrical Issues**

- Original electrical switchgear - systems not suitable for renovation
- Few spare breakers
- Lack of outlets, lots of power strips in use
- Newer generator
- Some newer LED; some older, inefficient lighting
- No lighting controls
- Fire alarm system does not meet present-day code





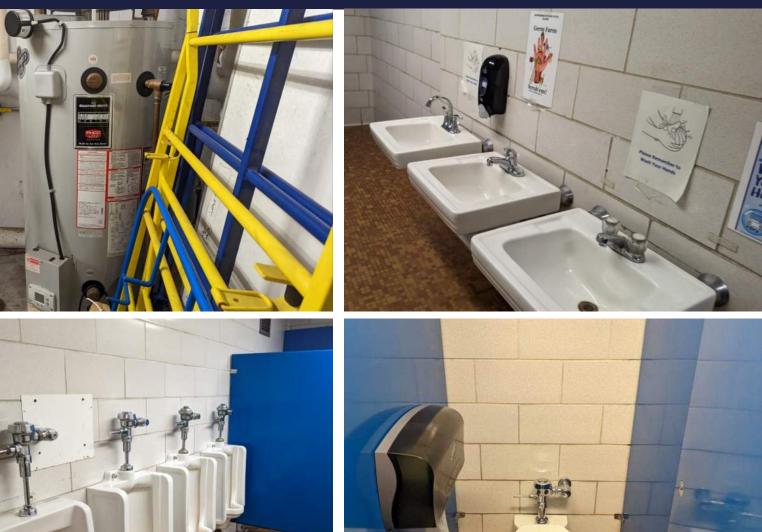




# **Plumbing Issues**

- Original plumbing fixtures

   not water-efficient
- Many fixtures and faucets not accessible
- Water quality issues building filtration needed
- Gas piping lacks solenoid in kitchen
- Newer gas water heater
- Piping generally past useful life
- *Kitchen lacks interior grease traps*



#### What can be



Hatherly Elementary School - Library

Sunita L. Williams Elementary School - Library

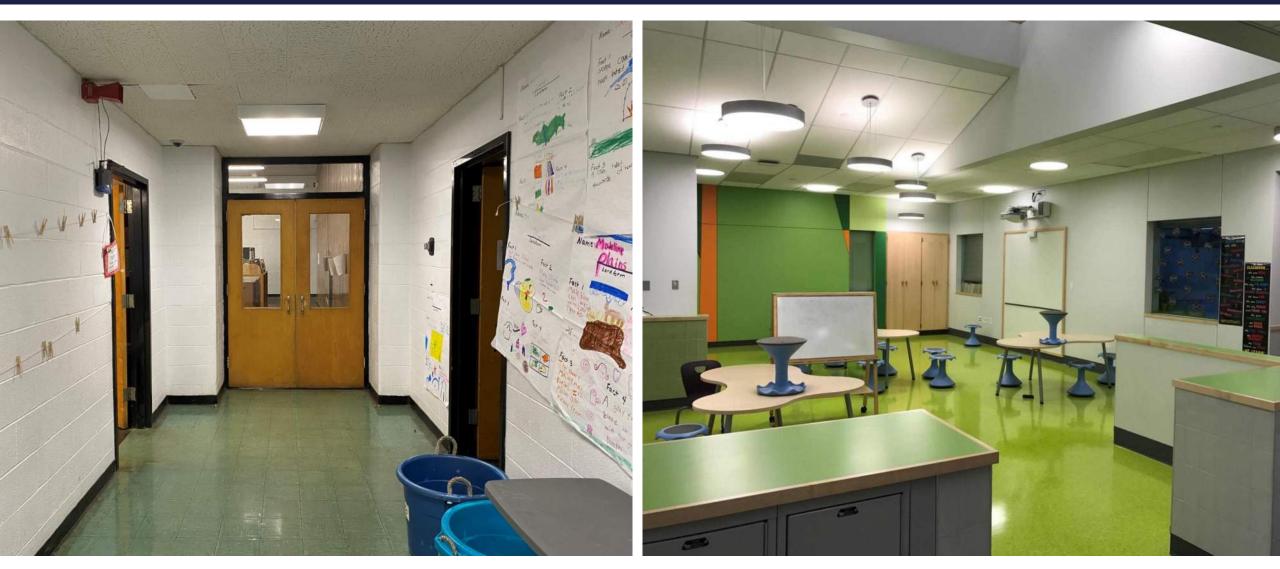
## What can be



Hatherly Elementary School - Corridor

#### S.L. Williams Elementary School – Extended Learning

## What can be



**Cushing Elementary School - corridor** 

Woodland ES, Milford Extended Learning SMMA Architects

#### What can be



**Cushing Elementary School - Cafeteria** 

Northbridge Elementary School Cafeteria

## What can be



**Cushing Elementary School - Classroom** 

West Parish Elementary School

# Community Values Your vision

How do we integrate your vision + educational program into the design process?

# Design Feedback Loop

Presenting: Putting ideas out for discussion Providing information

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Responding: Incorporate input into the creative product Iterative design process



Listening: Public meeting input Visioning sessions Programming discussions Documenting

# Community Values we've heard so far:

- Flexible
- Cost effective
- Includes and serves all learners
- Student-centered
- Connection to nature
- Conservation-minded

Community Feedback Tell us your thoughts

# Break Out Session Consider, Discuss, Report Out

- What are you most excited about?
- How would you define a successful process?
- What features should this project consider?
- What questions or concerns do you have?

# Stay Connected



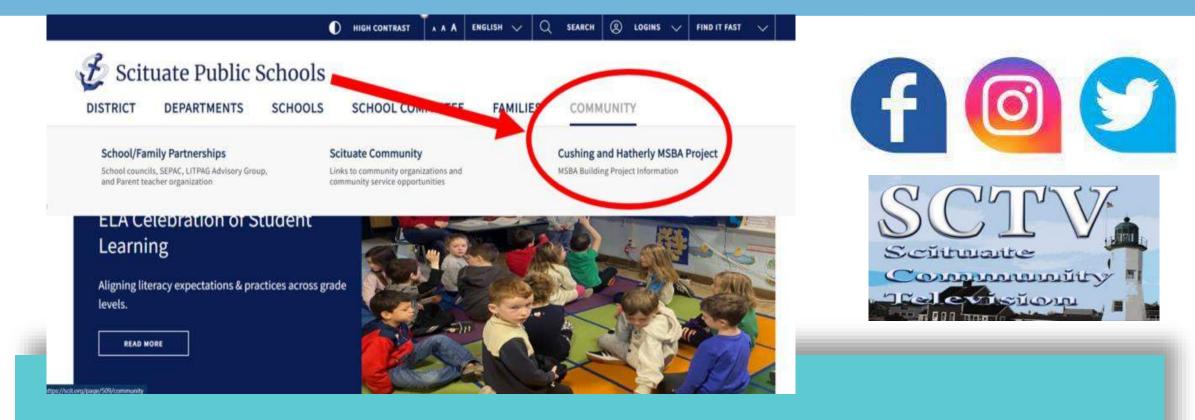
# Mentimeter: Digital platform for discussion and feedback

Scan this QR code with your device and provide your feedback digitally, privately, and anonymously.

Or log on to the website: https://www.menti.com/aldbz9uuyxwx

Voting code: 3476 8465

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Cushing-Hatherly Project Web Page - hover over Community https://scit.org/page/2886/cushing-and-hatherly-msba-project



#### School Committee Meeting – Project Update March 27 at 6:00 PM

## School Building Committee - Public Forum 2 March 29 at 6:30 PM

## **School Committee Meeting – Project Update** May 1 at 6:00 PM

## **School Building Committee - Public Forum 3** May 11 at 6:30 PM



# What else should we consider as we begin this process?



# Thank you.

