

NEW FAIRFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS PROPOSED BUILDING PROJECTS



Consolidated Early Learning Academy

THE PROBLEM
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Original portions of the building dating to 1940s Failing foundation, HVAC, mechanical, and window systems Deficits in meeting accessibility, sound, and lighting codes Intervention and enrichment services limited by building layout Site that limits improvements to parking, safety, and security

MULTIPLE OPTIONS CONSIDERED	
<i>Various Capital Projects</i> Estimated Cost to Town: \$39,100,000+ Does not include disruption	<i>Alterations to Existing</i> Estimated Cost to Town: \$35,818,507 Does not include disruption or escalation costs

PREFERRED SOLUTION
NEW CONSTRUCTION ON MHHS CAMPUS
Approximately 44,000 Square Feet
New Construction: \$29,185,907 State Reimbursement: (\$10,833,747) 37.2% Estimated Cost to Town: \$18,352,160 <i>Unanimously recommended to voters by BoE, BoF, & BoS</i>

Operational Savings to Annual BOE Budget
Estimated Savings: \$475,000 / year

Advantages
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Most cost effective taxpayer dollars State-of-the-art, safe learning environments Combined campus for multi-grade learning opportunities Efficient operations and resource management Right-sized for projected future enrollment Safe and secure playgrounds for all grades Demolition of current Consolidated School and construction of a new bus lot Minimal disruption to teaching and learning during construction



New Fairfield High School

THE PROBLEM
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inferior original construction from 1970s Deficits in meeting updated building and life safety codes ADA accessibility issues cited in Civil Rights Compliance review Out-of-date heating and ventilation; high electric heating costs Negative impact to educational programs as cited by NEASC

MULTIPLE OPTIONS CONSIDERED	
<i>Various Capital Projects</i> Estimated Cost to Town: \$68,900,000+ Does not include disruption	<i>Alterations to Existing</i> Estimated Cost to Town: \$68,297,346 Does not include disruption or escalation costs

PREFERRED SOLUTION
NEW CONSTRUCTION ON CURRENT CAMPUS
Approximately 143,000 Square Feet
New Construction: \$84,214,908 State Reimbursement: (\$22,576,336) 26.8% Estimated Cost to Town: \$61,638,572 <i>Unanimously recommended to voters by BoE, BoF, & BoS</i>

Operational Savings to Annual BOE Budget
Estimated Savings: \$400,000 / year

Advantages
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Most cost effective taxpayer dollars Future-ready, accessible learning environment Efficient energy use and lower operating costs State-of-the-art auditorium; updated athletic facilities Right-sized for projected future enrollment Upper and lower multipurpose field replacement Renovations to existing team and pool locker rooms Minimal disruption to teaching and learning during construction

COMBINED PREFERRED SOLUTION

New Construction (Consolidated and NFHS): \$113,400,815 Total State Reimbursement: (\$ 33,410,083) Estimated Cost to Town: \$ 79,990,732	Total Tax Increase New Construction vs Capital Improvements 9.19% over 5 years 13.33%+ over 10+ years
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Town Meeting September 26th at 7:00 p.m. Community Room	Expected Referendum October 5th from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Meeting House Hill School
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Doing nothing is NOT an option
 The alternatives require additional time, additional taxpayer funds, and disruption to education
 For more information visit: <http://www.newfairfieldschools.org/buildingprojects>