### FULLER MIDDLE SCHOOL FEASIBILITY STUDY

Community Forum 7 September 6, 2018





# Agenda

- 1. Introduction and Project Need
- 2. The Design: Site and Building
- 3. Benefits to the Students and Community
- 4. Schedule and Cost
- 5. Next Steps
- 6. Questions



# Introductions





### School Building Committee Members

Dr. Yvonne Spicer

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Co-Chair, Chief Operating Officer, FPS

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**School Committee Chair** 

Superintendent of Schools

City Council Member

School Committee Member and Convenor

School Committee Member

Chief Financial Officer

Chief Procurement Officer

Former School Committee Chair

Director of Buildings and Grounds, FPS

Director of Secondary Education



# School Building Committee Members (continued)

Jose Duarte Principal, Fuller Middle School

Caitlin Stempleski Teacher, Fuller School Middle

Patrick Johnson Principal, Walsh Middle School

John Haidemenos Principal, Woodrow Wilson School

Michael Tusino Building Commissioner

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Dr. Jennifer Krusinger Martin Member

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David Panich Member

Thomas Barbieri Member

Dr. Dale Hamel Member





### Architect

Jonathan Levi Architects

Owner's Project Manager (OPM)

Symmes Maini and McKee Associates





### Why do we need a new Fuller Middle School?

- The Fuller Middle School is an aged facility that requires significant upkeep, spending which will not result in long-term educational benefits.
- Framingham submitted its initial application to MSBA for a grant in November 2013.
- The MSBA receives approximately 120 grant applications for capital projects annually, of which approximately 10 are approved annually.
- Framingham residents voted to approve the Feasibility Study funding at its October 18, 2016 Special Town Meeting.
- The MSBA grant is estimated to be approximately \$39.5 million.



### Feasibility Study Scope

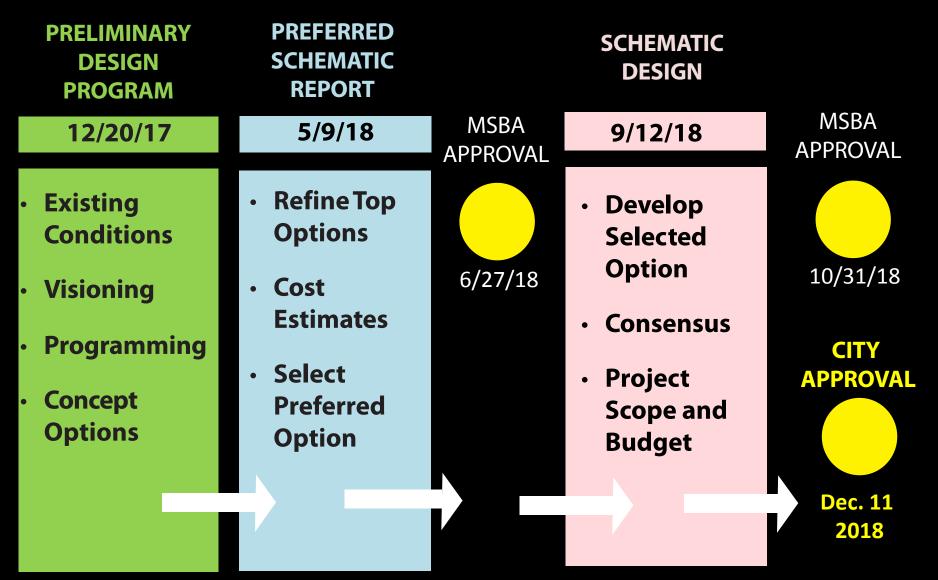
Framingham and MSBA agreed to perform the feasibility study for a 630 Student Middle School for Grades 6-8.

### Study Scope included:

- Existing Conditions Review
- Educational Program
- Design Alternatives
  - Renovation
  - Renovation / Addition
  - All New Construction
- Cost Estimates



#### MSBA Feasibility Study Process and Schedule





### MSBA Board of Directors Approval

## Massachusetts School Building Authority

Deborah B. Goldberg
Chairman, State Treasurer

James A. MacDonald
Chief Executive Officer

John K. McCarthy
Executive Director / Deputy CEO

June 27, 2018

The Honorable Dr. Yvonne M. Spicer Mayor, City of Framingham 150 Concord Street, Room 121 Framingham, MA 01702

Re: City of Framingham, Fuller Middle School

Dear Mayor Spicer:

I am pleased to report that the Board of the Massachusetts School Building Authority (the "MSBA") has voted to approve the City of Framingham (the "City") as part of its invitation for Feasibility Study, to proceed into schematic design to replace the existing Fuller Middle School with a new facility serving grades 6-8 on the existing site (the "proposed project").



#### Public Process

Since May 2017, advertised and televised public meetings on the Fuller Middle School Project have included:

- 24 Regular Bi-weekly School Building Committee Meetings
- 6 Community Meetings
- 4 City Council Meetings
- 4 School Committee Meetings



# Questions





# Defining the Need





### The Need:

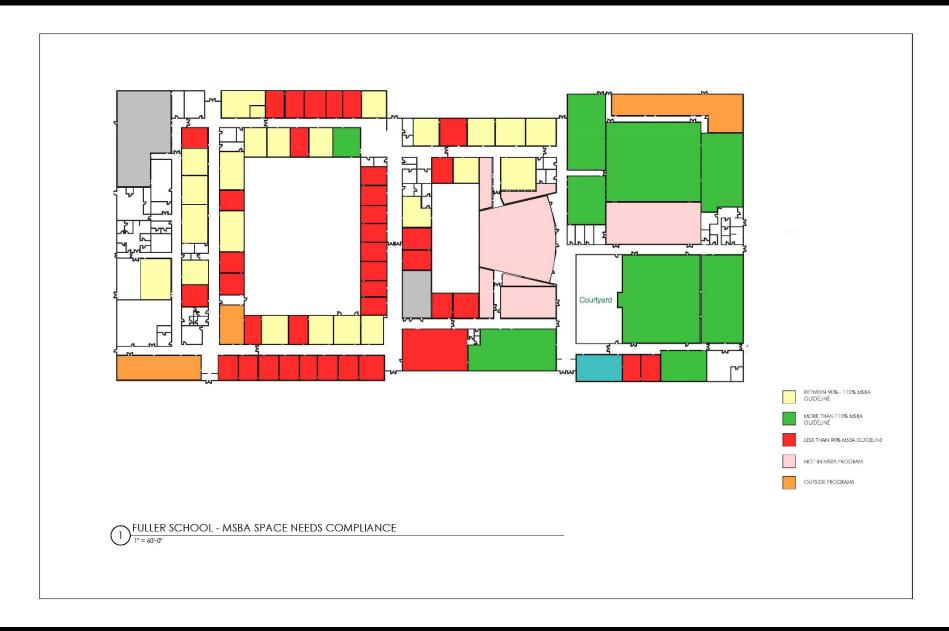
- Need a long-term solution to resolve deteriorating school building
- Provide educational spaces to meet MSBA standards
- Update the layout to meet 21st century Visioning Session goals

### <u>The Goal</u>

 Cost Effective, Sustainable and Educational Appropriate School with the least impact to the ongoing education of the students



#### **EDUCATIONAL DEFICIENCIES**



#### PHYSICAL BUILDING DEFICIENCIES

**Energy Code** 

Envelope

Accessibility

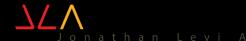
Structural

Mechanical, Electrical and Plumbing Systems

Hazardous Materials



The Cost of only Repairing the existing Fuller Middle School is estimated to be \$131 million dollars with no educational improvements or MSBA reimbursement.



# **Educational Programming**





#### **DESIGN PRINCIPALS**

Fuller Middle School is in its fourth year of STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics)

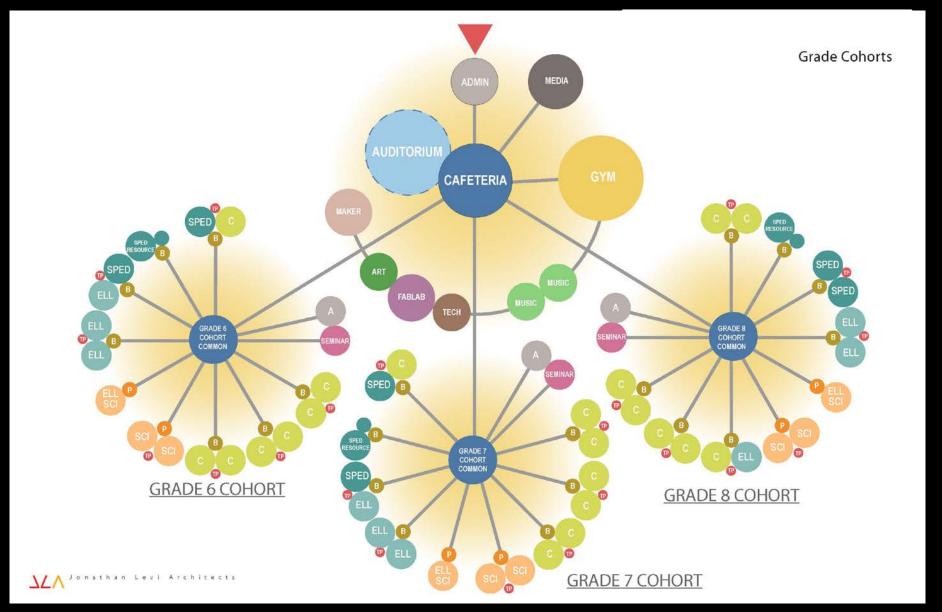
- Transdisciplinary Instruction Connect multiple content areas by linking concepts and skills with a real-world context. Encourage and support Inquiry.
- Personalized and Collaborative Learning Teach students to take charge of their own learning with "hands-on" projects that can correspond with their interests and needs.
- Whole Child, Whole Community Actively support emotional and social foundations to improve academic success.



#### **DESIGN PRINCIPALS**

- Visible Learning Inspire students to learn from each other through student collaboration, presentations, demonstrations, and ongoing works-in-progress.
- Community and Civic Hub Continue existing use as central location for meetings, adult learning, school productions and recreational activities.
- Adaptability This building will need to meet Framingham's future needs, so must be versatile enough to accommodate different teaching methods, including traditional ones.

#### **Educational Program Diagram**





# Questions



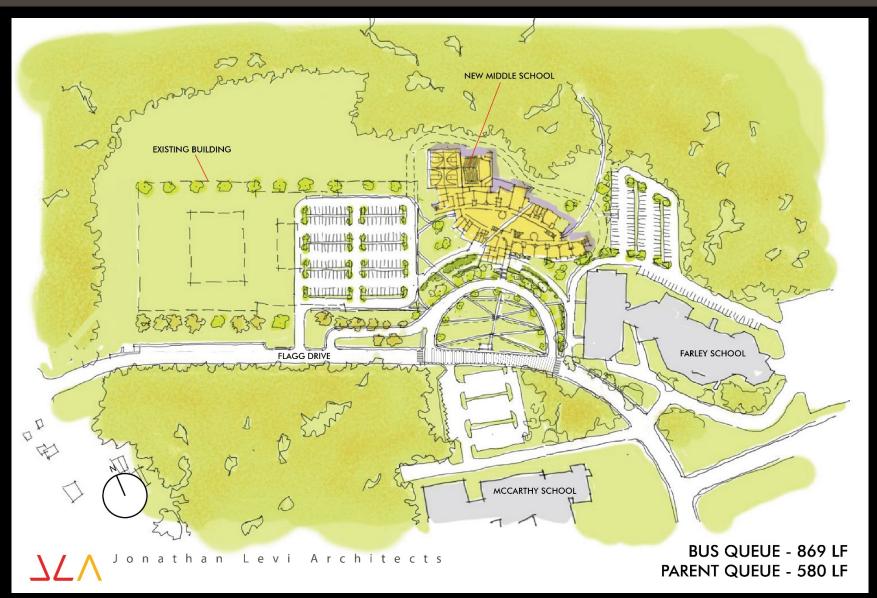


# Design Update



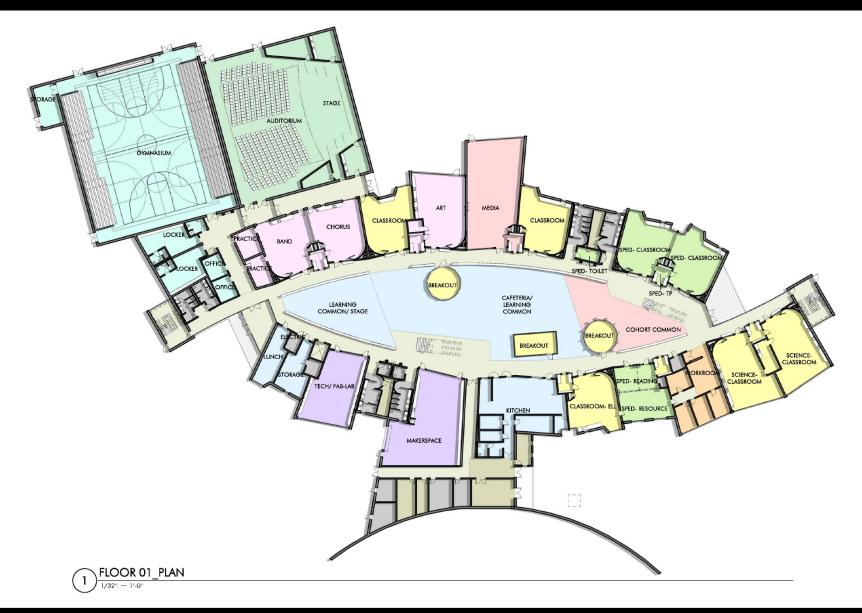


#### **SD** Refinement – Landscape





#### FIRST FLOOR PROGRESS PLAN





#### **SECOND FLOOR PROGRESS PLAN**





#### THIRD FLOOR PROGRESS PLAN





#### **Classroom Suite 'Building Block'**





#### **Maker Space**





#### **Fabrication Lab**





#### **Front View**





#### **Rear View**





# Benefits to the Students and Community





#### BENEFITS TO THE STUDENTS AND COMMUNITY

#### Benefits for the Students:

- Appropriate classroom sizes and relationships according to contemporary educational standards.
- Collaboration spaces that support project based learning preparing students for the contemporary workforce.
- Natural daylighting and healthy ventilation for improved educational outcomes.
- Full range of special education spaces to support individual student needs.
- STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) instruction spaces to fulfill district's elementary feeder school commitment to STEM curricula.
- Spaces that facilitate teacher collaboration toward improved teaching practices.

#### BENEFITS TO THE STUDENTS AND COMMUNITY

### Benefits for the Community:

- Replacement of decaying, inefficient facility with ever increasing maintenance and operation cost burden to the City. Reduced building size, modern materials, and far more energy efficient HVAC systems will increase operating efficiency over the next 70 years.
- Reduced building footprint yields increased City open space and playfield space, and improves impact to adjacent conservation lands.
- Traffic calming measures improve public safety.
- Renewal of community access athletic and performance facilities for future use.



# Project Cost





## TOTAL PROJECT COST

CONSTRUCTION COST (BUILDING + SITE WORK+ MARK-UPS)	\$77.9M
FEES & EXPENSES	\$12.6M
FURNITURE, FIXTURES & EQUIPMENT	\$2.3M
CONTINGENCIES	\$5.5M
TOTAL	\$98.3M





## WHAT WILL BE FRAMINGHAM'S SHARE?

PROJECT COST	\$98.3M
APPROXIMATE MSBA GRANT	\$39.5M
APPROXIMATE COST TO FRAMINGHAM	\$58.8M

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# WHAT DOES THIS MEAN TO THE AVERAGE TAXPAYER?

29 Cents annual tax increase per \$1,000 valuation

\$101 per year, OR \$8.41 per month, OR 28 Cents per day

Based on a 20-year bond utilizing \$8 million of the Capital Stabilization Fund

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# Project Timeline





#### **PROJECT TIMELINE**

December 2018 - Detailed Design Commences

**Summer 2019 - Construction Commences** 

Summer 2021 – New Building is Completed

December 2021 – Demolition and Sitework Completed



#### **NEXT STEPS**

# School Building Committee (SBC) meetings are every two weeks. Meetings and agendas are posted on the FPS website.

- September 11, 2018 SBC votes to approve Schematic Design
- September 12, 2018 Submit Schematic Design to MSBA
- October 1, 2018 Community Forum No. 8
- October 31, 2018 MSBA Board Meeting to approve project
- November 1, 2018 Community Forum No. 9
- November 28, 2018 Community Forum No. 10
- Fall 2018 City Council votes to appropriate total project cost, approve ballot question and schedule ballot vote
- December 11, 2018 Debt Exclusion Ballot Vote



## **Community Resources**

Project Website:

www.fullerbuildingproject.com

To receive information on the Fuller Middle School Building Project, please subscribe to the City's "Notify Me" system



# Questions



