

DUBLIN SCHOOLS

DUBLIN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Dublin Community Members,

Last year the DUSD Board of Trustees voted to move forward with the purchase of a 24-acre parcel of property in east Dublin for the construction of a new comprehensive high school. The land is located between Dublin Blvd. and Central Parkway at Grafton and is sometimes referred to as the Promenade site. Since early March of this year, DUSD leaders have partnered with architects from design firm SIM-PBK to gather input from district staff, city staff, community members, and students about their priorities and preferences for the educational specifications and design of the new school. In that process, the architects spoke with city planners, teachers, school leaders, food service workers, counselors, custodians, students, parents, and many other stakeholders with a direct interest in the future high school.

In numerous stakeholder meetings, the groups reviewed the educational specification process and the critical role it plays in the design of a new school, the challenges specific to construction at the Promenade site, the timeline for phasing in the full build out, site access, neighborhood considerations, program and design elements of a new school, and many other topics.

Initial input sessions resulted in SIM-PBK creating six design concepts that have been reviewed by various stakeholder groups. While reviewing these concepts, parent and community representatives conducted mini "charrette" sessions with the architects where they created their own designs. Based on input received on these six design concepts, SIM-PBK created three new designs that incorporate the ongoing community input. The firm presented the new designs during a Special Board Meeting/Facilities Workshop on May 8, 2019.

Feedback Opportunity

We are offering the community the opportunity to provide feedback on these three new designs. To do so, please download the <u>SIM-PBK presentation</u> from the Facilities Workshop and review it along with the related <u>Board Meeting video</u>. The presentation about the new high school begins approximately 57 minutes into the meeting, and you will be able to forward to that location in the video after clicking on the link. The video provides context that is critical for understanding the work that has been done to date.

After reviewing the materials, please send your input to futurehighschool@dublinusd.org. All input will be shared with SIM-PBK as they continue to refine the future high school design. Email submissions must be made by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 22th.

Detailed information regarding the development of the future high school can be found on the district website.

Sincerely, Sheri Sweeney DUSD Director of Secondary Education

Links:

Presentation: http://bit.ly/FHD-050819-Preso Video: http://bit.ly/FHD-050819-Preso

District updates regarding the future high school: http://bit.ly/DUSD-Future-HS-Updates