

Providence
Schools

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PPSD Capital Plan
Updates

September 2024



Agenda

- Updates on Phases 1-3
- Phase 4 planning
- Engagement and Next Steps

Capital Plan Priorities

We have a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to raise expectations for what our students deserve.

- **Big, transformational projects** for entire schools
- **Reimagining the middle grades** experience with the Pre-K through 8 model and **expanded pre-kindergarten**
- **Newer and fewer** - right-size the number of buildings for Providence's current and projected enrollment
- Build **where families live**, and ensure all communities benefit from school construction



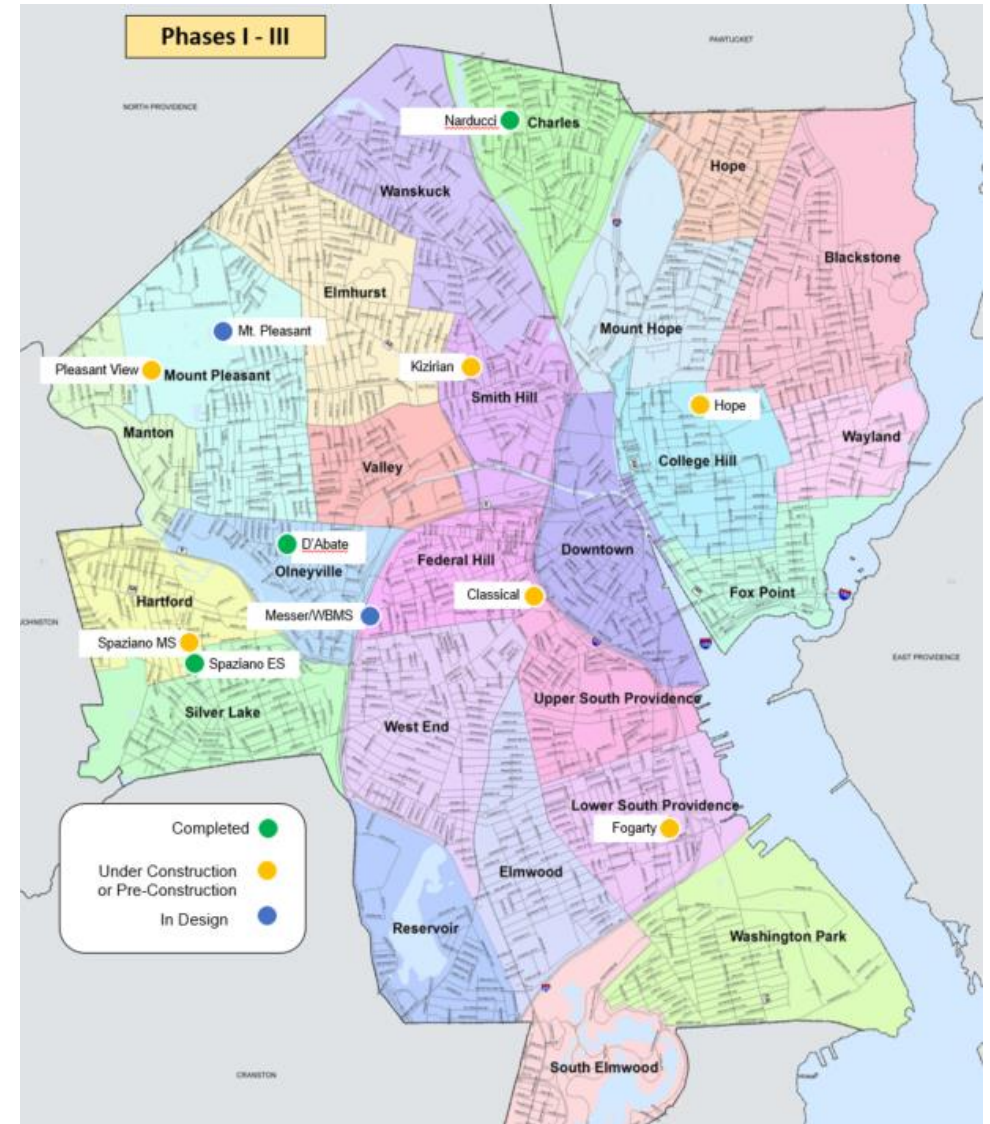
The abandoned Windmill Ave. school

Fully renovated Narducci Learning Center, reopened Fall 2023

Capital Plan Phases I – III: Projects Completed & Underway

Exciting work is already underway

Project	Grades	Status
Completed		
Narducci Learning Center	PK-8	Completed Summer 2023
D'Abate Elementary School	PK-5	Completed Fall 2023
Frank Spaziano Elementary School	PK-5	Completed Fall 2023
In Construction		
Pleasant View Elementary School	PK-5	Target Summer 2024
Classical High School – Phase 1 completed	9-12	Target Fall 2025
Hope High School – Phase 1 completed	9-12	Phase I Completed
		Phase 2 Target Fall 2024
Pre-Construction		
Frank Spaziano Middle School	6-8	Target Fall 2025
Harry Kizirian Prek-8	PK-8	Target Summer 2026
Fogarty Prek-8	PK-8	Target Summer 2026
In Design Development		
Lima PK-8	PK-8	Target Summer 2027
Messer / West Broadway PK-8	PK-8	Target Summer 2027
Mount Pleasant High School	9-12	Target Summer 2027



Capital Plan Phases I – III

Exciting work is happening this summer!

Major projects completing construction

- New Pleasant View Elementary School opened in September
- Classical High School renovations completing in Fall
- Major work at Hope (dance studio) and JSEC (biomed lab) to support school redesign

Swing Space

- Harry Kizirian Elementary moved to Narducci for swing space for school years 2024-25 and 2025-26
- Mary Fogarty Elementary moved to Laurel Hill Ave for swing space for school years 2024-25 and 2025-26

Engagement for Upcoming Work

- Fall sessions to support Phase III work at Mount Pleasant High School, Lima/Stuart PK-8, and Asa Messer/West Broadway PK-8



Dance studio construction at Hope High School



Two PPSD schools win US DOE Green Ribbon School award!

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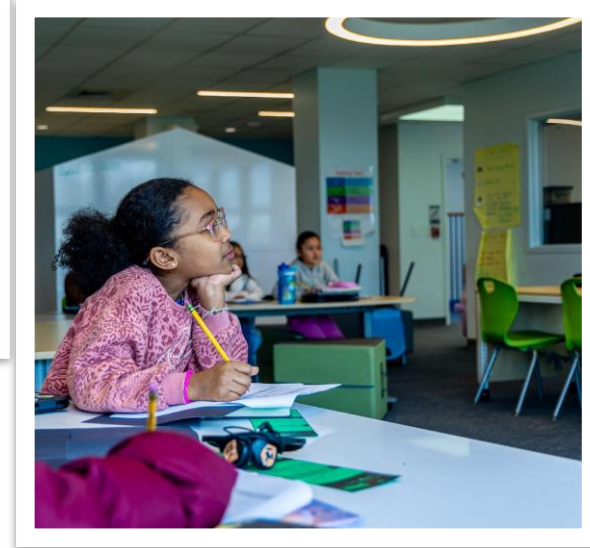
The Challenge & Opportunity



Our school buildings suffer from **decades of underinvestment** and ineffective band-aid fixes. With new funding opportunities and a strategic capital plan aligned with instructional programs, **transformational change** is happening.

Our goal: **We will have enough seats for all PPSD students to be in new or like-new facilities by 2030.**

The next round of bond funding before the voters in November is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to get our students the buildings they deserve.

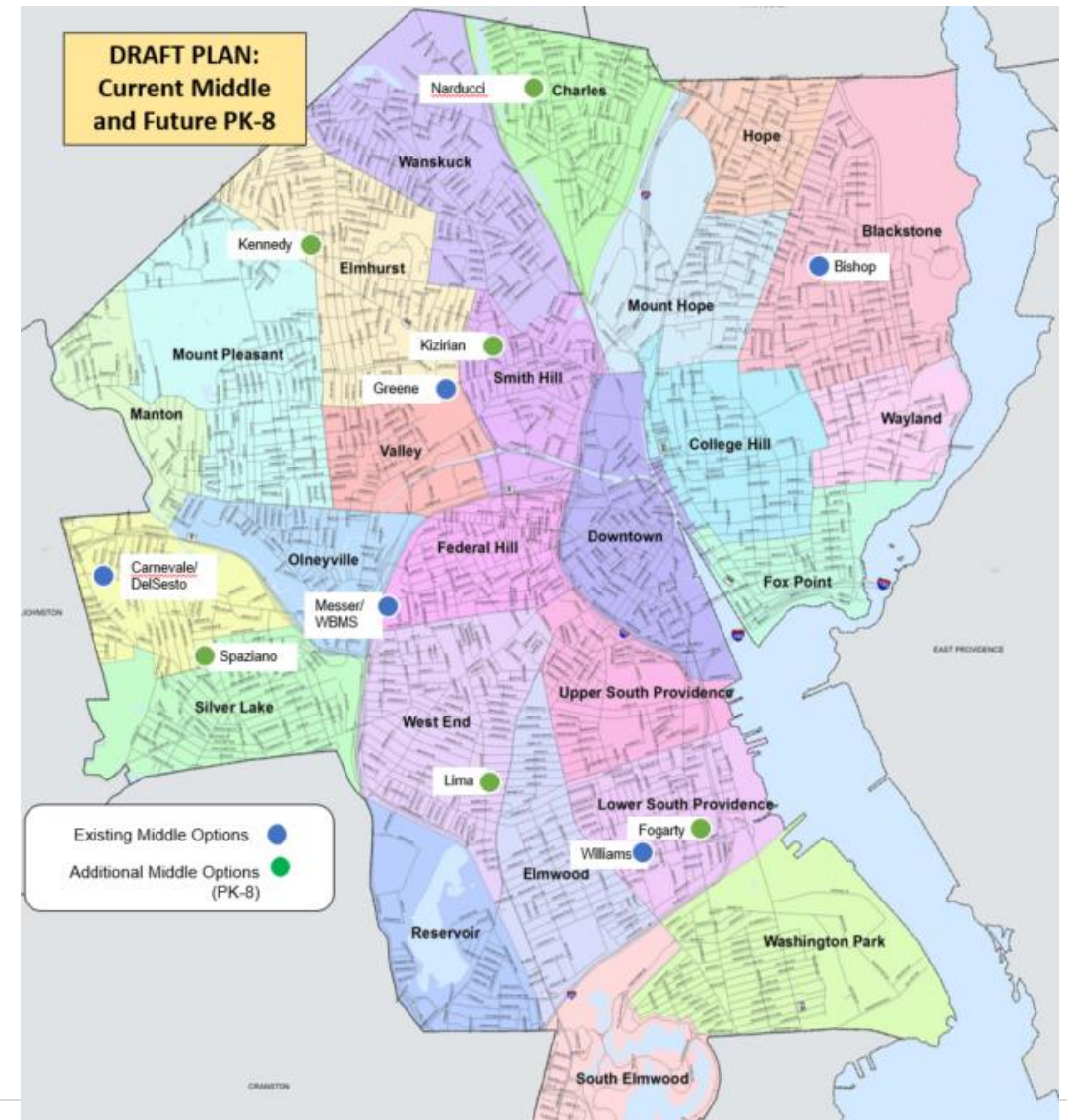


Spotlight: Pre-K through 8 Schools

A shift toward a longer-term school communities, closer to home.

Research shows that the PK-8 model supports a **stronger school community**, allowing **more robust relationships** between staff, students, and families.

- **Decrease middle school size** from 300 to 100 students per grade
- Expand middle school options from 6 to 11 schools, bringing **middle school closer to home**
- Increase number of years in elementary community from six to ten – students will build **relationships from 4 to 14 years old**
- Keep **siblings together** for longer
- Responds to **community demand for change**



Capital Plan Phase 4: Projects Planned and Approved

Approved by City Council and School Building Authority, going before voters in November.

New Build or Like-New Renovation

Roger Williams PK-8

Robert F Kennedy PK-8

Martin Luther King K-5 and Early
Childhood Center

Nathaniel Greene PK-8

Hope High School

Vartan Gregorian K-5

Carnevale/DelSesto PK-8

Restore to New

Central High School

E-Cubed High School

Alvarez High School

Nathan Bishop 6-8

Bailey K-5

Young & Woods K-5

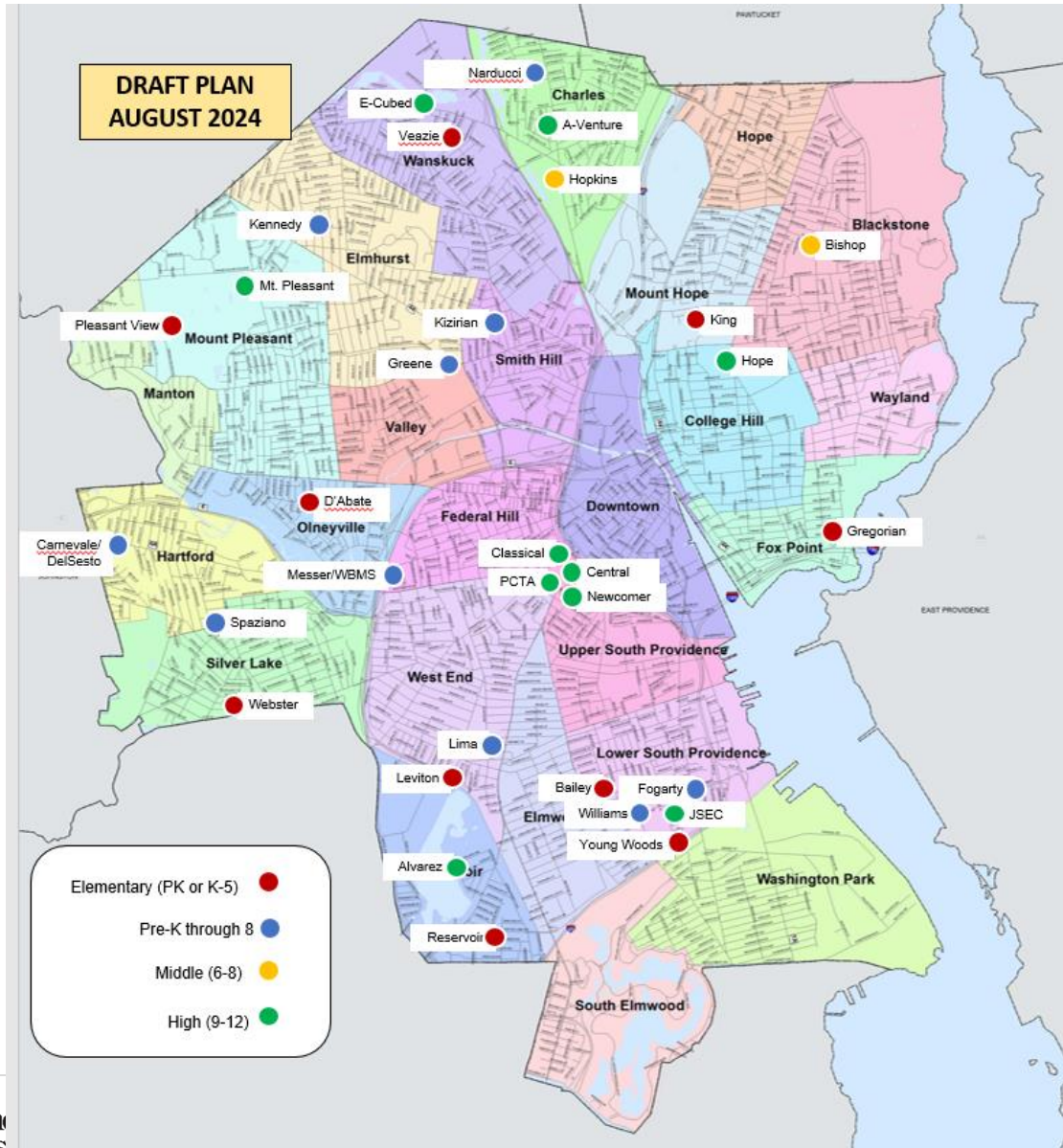
JSEC High School

Leviton Dual Language K-5

PCTA High

Providence School Buildings by 2030

Phase 4 provides opportunity to have enough seats in new or like new schools for all students



- 19,000 seats in new or like-new schools
- 19 new buildings and 9 restore to new buildings
- Removes up to 600,000 square feet in excess space, saving the district a minimum of \$3 million each year by end of construction
- Modern security and technology in all new and like-new buildings

Construction & Swing Space Timeline

We have preliminary options on construction and swing space timelines, which will be refined as we gain more information

Item	Next Steps
Swing space availability	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Narducci Learning Center and Laurel Hill Ave (former Spaziano main campus) currently in use for swing space• Potential for additional building based on 1) re-use of Lauro; and/or 2) schools vacated through reconfigurations• For any new swing space, need to account for cost of refurbishment/retrofitting of spaces
Reconfigurations	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• As we continue transitioning to PK-8s, we will likely need to consider school reconfigurations in addition to those already in process (Asa Messer/West Broadway, Lima/Stuart)• One potential additional reconfiguration is merger of Hopkins Middle and Kizirian Elementary to create a new PK-8• Further engagement required
Refining project budgets and cash flow projections	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Need to refine project budgets as more assessment done to finalize scope of work with available funding• Timing of cash flows need to align with timing of design and construction
Community engagement and ballot vote	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Need for public engagement in advance of ballot initiative in November
Finalize MOA on energy savings	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• MOA to utilize energy savings from construction to support debt service payments

Possible Construction & Swing Space Timeline

Maximize impact of funds and minimize disruption to students

Current school
Swing
Identified future use
Potential future swing if needed

Option 1: No additional swing space from Lauro

	Narducci ~850/33	Laurel Hill ~570/22	Hopkins ~750/29	Lima ~900/28	Summary of School Openings
2024-2025	Kizirian (480/24)	Fogarty (420/20)	<i>Hopkins MS (430/17)</i>	<i>Lima PK-5</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pleasant View PK-5 opens
2025-2026	Kizirian (550/24) & Hopkins (290/10)	Fogarty (400/19)	Messer (560/26)	<i>Lima PK-5</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kizirian/Hopkins merge into new PK-8 Spaziano Upper (6-8) opens
2026-2027	Greene (800/30)	MLK (450/20)	Messer (560/26)	<i>Lima PK-5</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kizirian/Hopkins PK-8 at new building Fogarty PK-8 opens
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2028-29	Permanent home to PPSD PK-8 or Phase 5 swing space	Vartan (300/17)	Kennedy (520/20)	Williams MS (820/28)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Greene PK-8 opens MLK PK-5 opens Williams PK-8 opens
2029-30		Convert to park			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kennedy PK-8 opens Gregorian PK-5 opens

Possible Construction & Swing Space Timeline

Maximize impact of funds and minimize disruption to students

Current school
Swing
Identified future use
Potential future swing if needed

Option 2: Full Lauro building for swing space

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Possible Construction & Swing Space Timeline

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Swing
Identified future use
Potential future swing if needed

Option 3: One half of Lauro for swing space

	Narducci ~850/33	Laurel Hill ~570/22	Hopkins ~750/29	Lima ~900/28	Lauro (One Half) ~530/30	Summary of School Openings
2024-2025	Kizirian (480/24)	Fogarty (420/20)	<i>Hopkins MS (430/17)</i>	<i>Lima PK-5</i>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pleasant View PK-5 opens
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Community Engagement

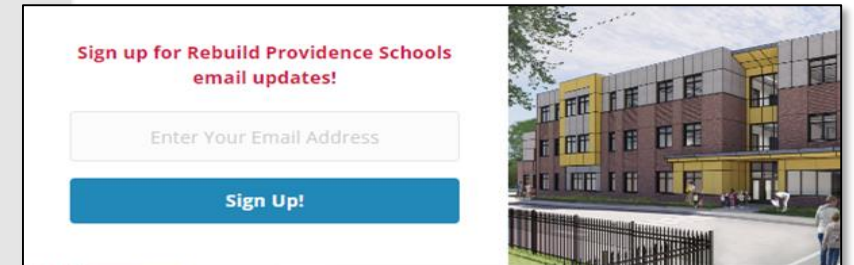
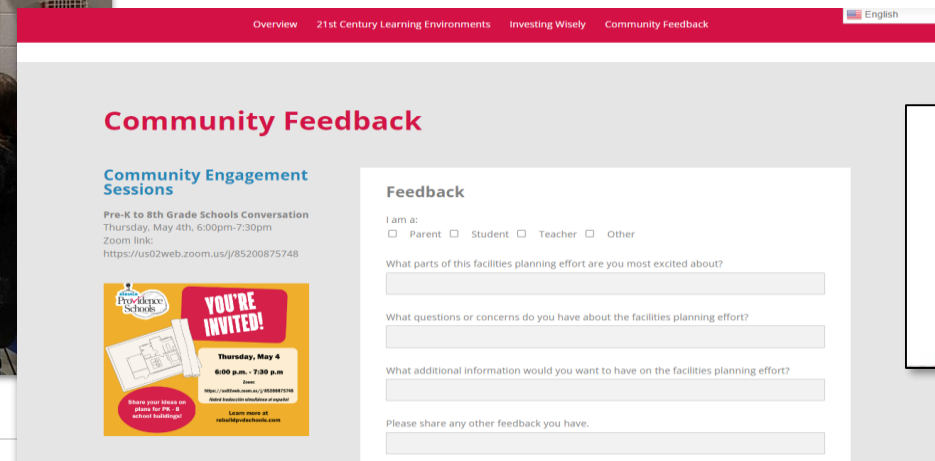
PPSD has engaged in extensive engagement efforts, with more coming in advance of November bond vote

Engagement to Date

- **66+ public meetings** and events over last two years sharing capital plan priorities and projects
- **20+ public meetings** in this year about overall capital plan
- **11+ meetings with individual school communities**, including faculty, PTO, and community advisory board meetings

Upcoming Engagement

- Aligned plan for engagement with City Council through Memorandum of Understanding
- Partnering with City Council members on **Ward meetings across the City** in September and October
- **PTO and faculty meetings** for upcoming projects
- **Districtwide virtual meetings** with interpretation/ translation services and polls
- Updates on **district websites and social media**



Next Steps and Discussion

Next steps

- Share plans at School Building Committee meeting in August
- Public engagement in September/October
 - Ward meetings with Council members
 - PTO and school-based meetings
 - Districtwide Zoom meetings
 - Tours of new schools

Appendix



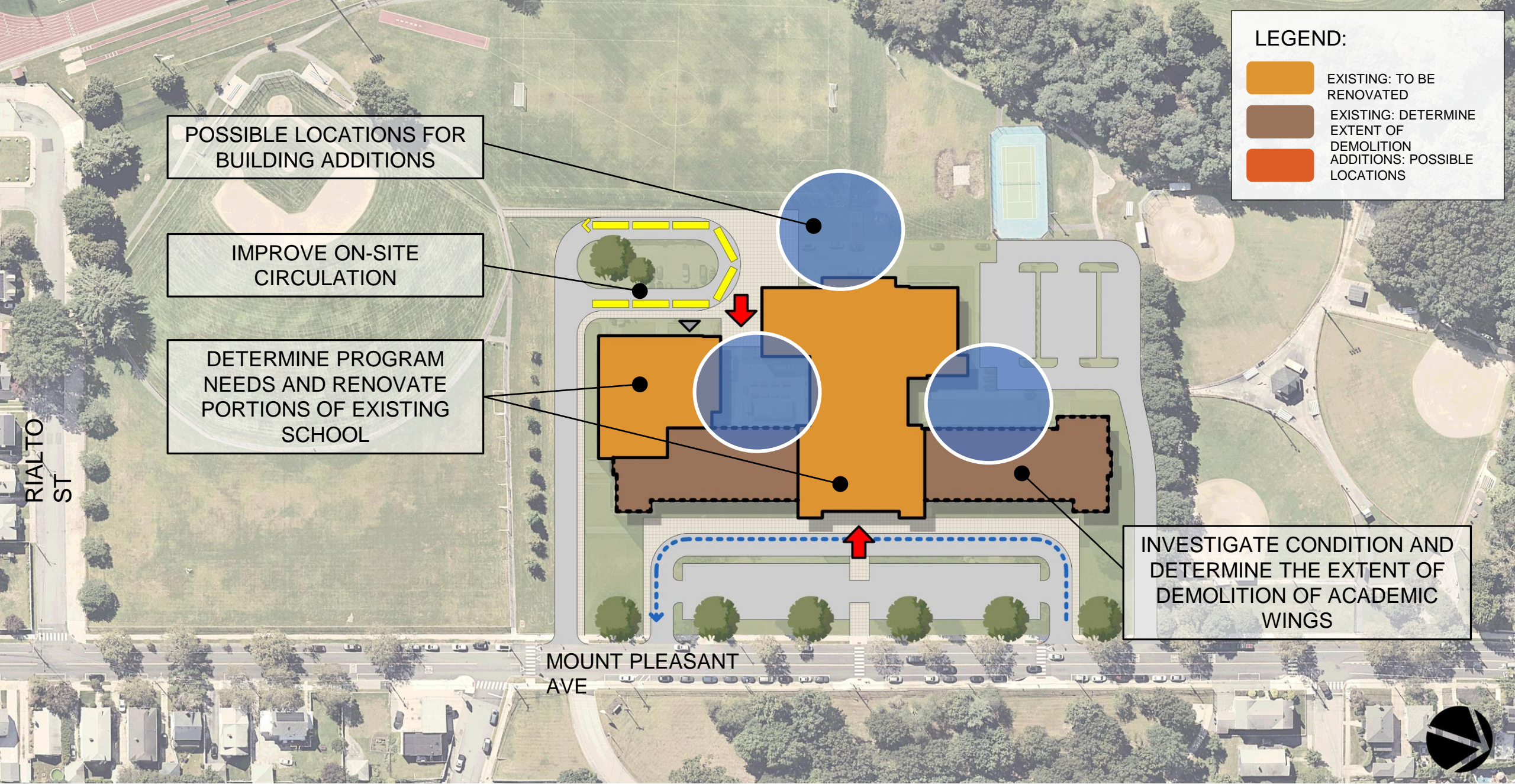
Mount Pleasant Project Summary

Previous Work

Spring & Summer 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• MPHS identified for major capital project• Initial cost estimates for options• Community open house tour and initial feedback• City council approval for submission to School Building Authority
Winter 2023/24	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Narrowed project options to full rebuild or partial rebuild• Stage 2 approved by School Building Authority with two potential options (full rebuild or partial rebuild)
Spring 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Design and construction firm selected• Further exploration of full rebuild vs partial preservation options, review of community feedback from previous year

Design Plan & Priorities

1. Pursue “hybrid” option: Renovate a targeted portion of the existing building and build new energy-efficient flexible classroom spaces
 - Allows school to retain key student programming spaces at current size (e.g., auditorium)
 - Minimizes impacts to nearby fields and community spaces
 - Responsive to feedback received about desire to retain some historic elements of the school while providing students with new learning spaces
2. Keep school’s academic program at the center of all decisions
3. Adhere to the \$110 million budget
4. Right-size building to meet sustainability goals, accessibility, and technology needs
5. Minimize impact to students and faculty by using existing school until new spaces are complete



POSSIBLE LOCATIONS FOR BUILDING ADDITIONS

IMPROVE ON-SITE CIRCULATION

DETERMINE PROGRAM NEEDS AND RENOVATE PORTIONS OF EXISTING SCHOOL

INVESTIGATE CONDITION AND DETERMINE THE EXTENT OF DEMOLITION OF ACADEMIC WINGS

LEGEND:

- EXISTING: TO BE RENOVATED
- EXISTING: DETERMINE EXTENT OF DEMOLITION
- ADDITIONS: POSSIBLE LOCATIONS

RIALTO ST

MOUNT PLEASANT AVE



Potential Kizirian and Hopkins PK-8 merger

Transitioning to PK-8 in new facility while keeping students together



Why make this change?

- Increase number of students in **new or like-new buildings**
- Improve student performance and sense of community in schools by **prioritizing transition to PK-8 model**
- Reconfiguration prioritizes **keeping students together**
- Adds **swing space** option to speed construction and maximize dollars for schools across the district

How would this change happen?

- In 2025-26, students from Kizirian and Hopkins would merge to form one cohesive PK-8 at the Narducci Learning Center (see table on right)
- Staff members would remain at the merged school, except in areas where there are more roles than positions

Year	Kizirian	Hopkins	Narducci
2024-25	<i>construction</i>	6-8	PK-5 from Kizirian
2025-26	<i>construction</i>	<i>swing space</i>	PK-6 (from Kizirian) 7-8 (from Hopkins)
2026-27	PK-8	<i>swing space</i>	<i>swing space</i>

Case Study: Hopkins Middle School

Transitioning to PK-8 in new facility while keeping students together

Current Status	
Student Enrollment & Family Choice	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● 393 students in 2023-24, down -214 (-35%) over past 10 years● Least chosen middle school in both 2023 and 2024, with just 20 families selecting Hopkins as first choice this year
Building Capacity & Conditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Built in 1916● Building was at 66% capacity in 23-24● Building capacity of 595 in 92,100 gross square feet and 37 classrooms● Estimated \$27.7M in needed repairs● Lowest rated middle school facility after West Broadway; 54% Facilities Condition Index, "Very Poor"
Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Spring 2024 student surveys show very low ratings for school climate (27% favorable), engagement (23%), and belonging (24%)● 4% ELA proficiency and 3% Math proficiency on RICAS assessments in 2023

