



# 21<sup>st</sup> Century School Buildings Plan

**SCHOOL** Robert Coleman Elementary School  
**COMMUNITY MEETING** Orientation | October 25, 2017



## Introductions

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## Agenda

### **Introductions**

### **21<sup>st</sup> Century Buildings Overview**

- . History & Funding
- . Partnership & Responsibilities
- . Terminology

### **Feasibility Study Overview**

- . Walter P. Carter Example
- . Timeline

### **Community/Partnership Space**

### **Next Steps**

# 21<sup>st</sup> Century School Buildings Vision

- Invest to support academic success for all students
- Maximize fiscal responsibility and stewardship of resources
- Engage school communities to inform the creation of excellent school buildings for their students
- Align school buildings with demographics trends, enrollment trends, and parent and student choices
- Invest to have maximum impact on community stability, growth, or development
- Provide diverse options in every geographic area of the city
- Create school buildings on the cutting edge of technology and environmental sustainability

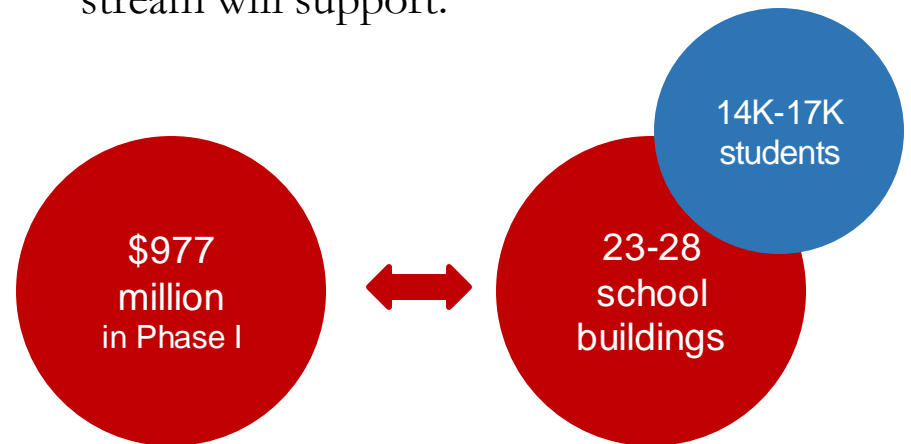
# 21<sup>st</sup> Century School Buildings Program Update

The Baltimore City Public School System (City Schools) Construction and Revitalization Act of 2013 resulted in a partnership between:

- The State of Maryland
- Baltimore City
- City Schools

***Each contribute \$20 million*** annually towards the plan.

Current estimates suggest the funding stream will support:



City Schools' Plan is one of the largest public works project in Baltimore City to date.

## Overview: Partnership Structure



# What is an Educational Specification?

## Educational Specification (Ed Spec)

- include the *essential elements of design* or required learning environment features, characteristics and overall design goal for *21<sup>st</sup> Century schools*.
- general guidelines, options and considerations that will guide each school-level planning process.

### *The site specific Ed Specs take into consideration:*

- Decisions regarding the number of classrooms by grade, for certain subjects, the relationship of one space to another, special built-in equipment, and a host of physical features.

## Sample Classrooms and Space Summary

(4) classrooms for PreK and K	(1) Technology Lab
(4) classrooms for grades 1 and 2	Gym
(6) classrooms for grades 3, 4 and 5	Café
(6) classrooms for grades 6, 7, and 8	Media Center
(5) collaborative learning areas	Administrative, Health Suite
(1) art room	Student Services
(1) music room	Community Spaces

# Feasibility Study

A **Feasibility Study** is an analysis of the existing condition of site and building components to include systems, elevations, other planning and design considerations.

The study will produce a minimum of three possible solutions (renovation & replacement options) that address:

Educational Specifications, determine building deficiencies or ability to accomplish goals of the project

Budgets, including Forty-Year Life Cycle, and schedule for all options



## Sample: Feasibility Study



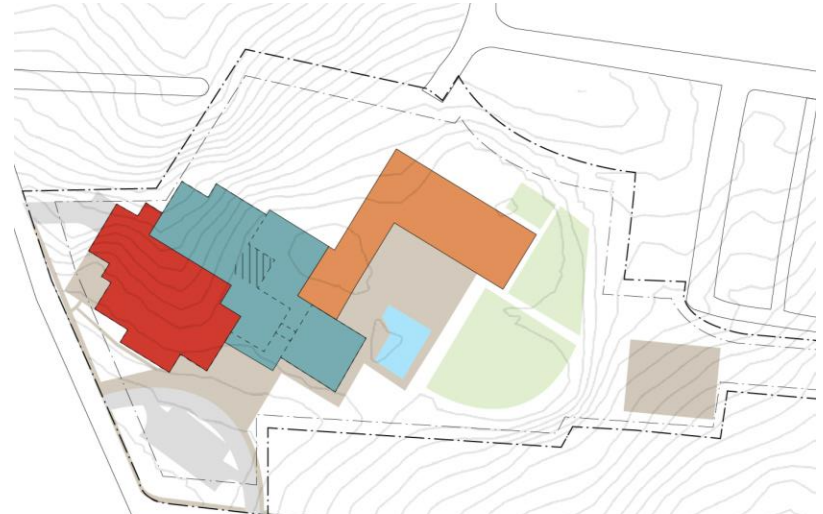
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**Option 3: New school building. Pool remains.**

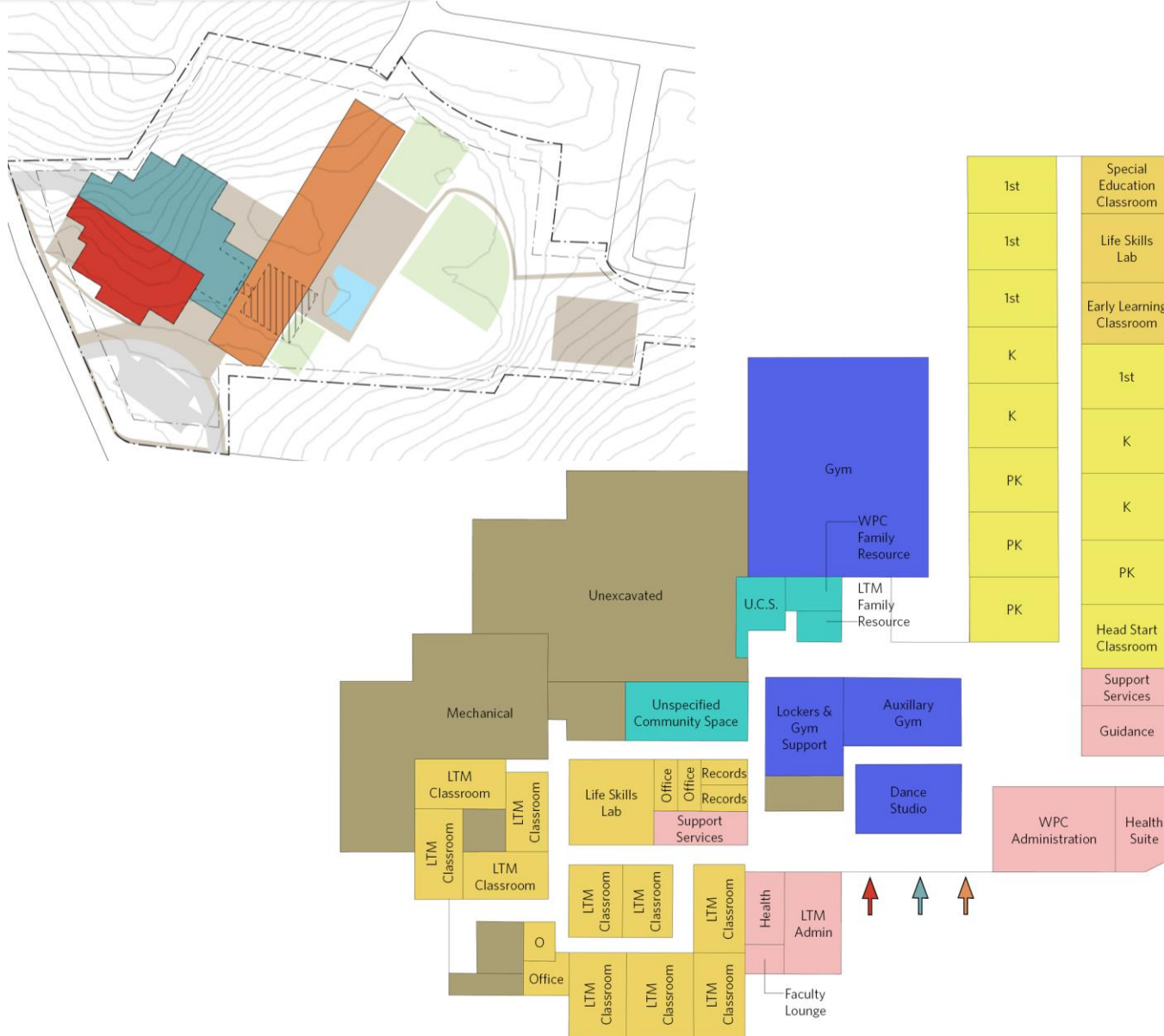


**Option 2: Existing building with new addition. Pool remains.**



**Option 4: Existing building with new addition. Pool and Rec Center remain.**

# Sample: Feasibility Study



# Feasibility Study Timeline



## 21st Century School Buildings Program Feasibility Study Process



### PRE-PLANNING

#### Development of Site-Specific Educational Specifications (Ed Specs)

- Summary of spaces developed
- Enrollment projections determine capacity
- Ed Spec prototype is chosen based on capacity
- Special programs are incorporated
- Grade structures are considered
- Portfolio Review Board actions are considered

### KICK-OFF MEETING

#### Architect Reviews

- Ed Specs
- Enrollment
- Conducts Site Visit

#### Architect produces 50% Feasibility Study

### 50% FEASIBILITY STUDY: Meeting #3



### 95% FEASIBILITY STUDY: Meeting #4



### STUDY SELECTION

#### Vetted internally:

- School Community Feedback is considered
- Architect's Pros and Cons are considered

### Request for Proposals

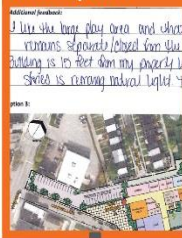
RFP containing summary of spaces from Site Specific Ed Specs goes out to identify feasibility study architect

### ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS: Meeting #2

- Learn process and timeline
- Gain understanding of Site Specific Ed Specs
- Prioritizes needs through interactive activities

### Architect is Awarded

#### School Community provides feedback on all options

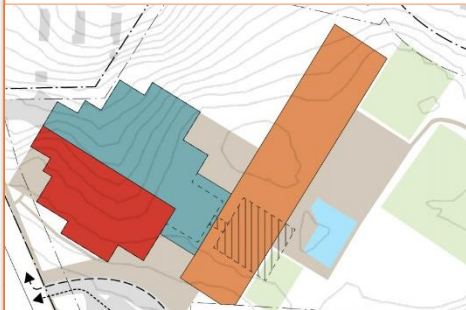


#### Feedback is shared with the Architect

#### Architect considers feedback to develop 95% Feasibility Study



## Option 1



### Building

- Separate entrances for each school
- L.T. Murray & W.P. Carter populations separated

### Site

- Existing fields are mostly retained

### Cons

#### Building

- Some classrooms are undersized
- Some classrooms have no natural light
- Second floor Cafeteria and Loading

### Site

- No expansion of existing drop-off and parking area
- Sense of open green space is diminished

## Option 2



### Building

- Separate entrances for each school
- Natural light in all classrooms

### Site

- Existing fields are mostly retained
- Retains sense of open green space

### Cons

#### Building

- Second floor Cafeteria and Loading
- Natural light can not be added to some spaces without the addition of atriums or skylights

### Site

- No expansion of existing drop-off and parking area

## Option 3



### Building

- All classrooms have natural light
- All spaces meet education size requirements
- L.T. Murray & W.P. Carter populations fully separated
- Separate entrances for each school and Community use
- Clear demarcation between Community/Shared zone and school areas for afterhours uses

### Site

- Retains sense of open space
- Existing fields are mostly retained
- Extended bus drop-off lane and separate parent drop-off & parking
- Enhanced pedestrian access

### Cons

#### Building

- Second floor Cafeteria and Loading (same as existing)

## Option 4



### Building

- Separate entrances for each school
- Natural light in all classrooms

### Cons

#### Building

- Second floor Cafeteria and Loading
- Natural light can not be added to some spaces without the addition of atriums or skylights
- Long travel distance for some students to cafeteria
- 3 story WPC addition closer to neighborhood houses

### Site

- No expansion of existing drop-off and parking area
- Some existing fields are removed
- Sense of open green space is diminished

## **City Schools holds as a core belief that ...**

“Spaces in the school should be designed to support community partnering and involvement. After-hours use should be both a goal and a reality for each building, as the resources community institutions bring to students after school hours can support school success and the school can provide much needed space for community programs that help build community success.”

Examples of community resources and partnerships in schools...

**Non-City run  
Daycare or Pre-  
School Programs**

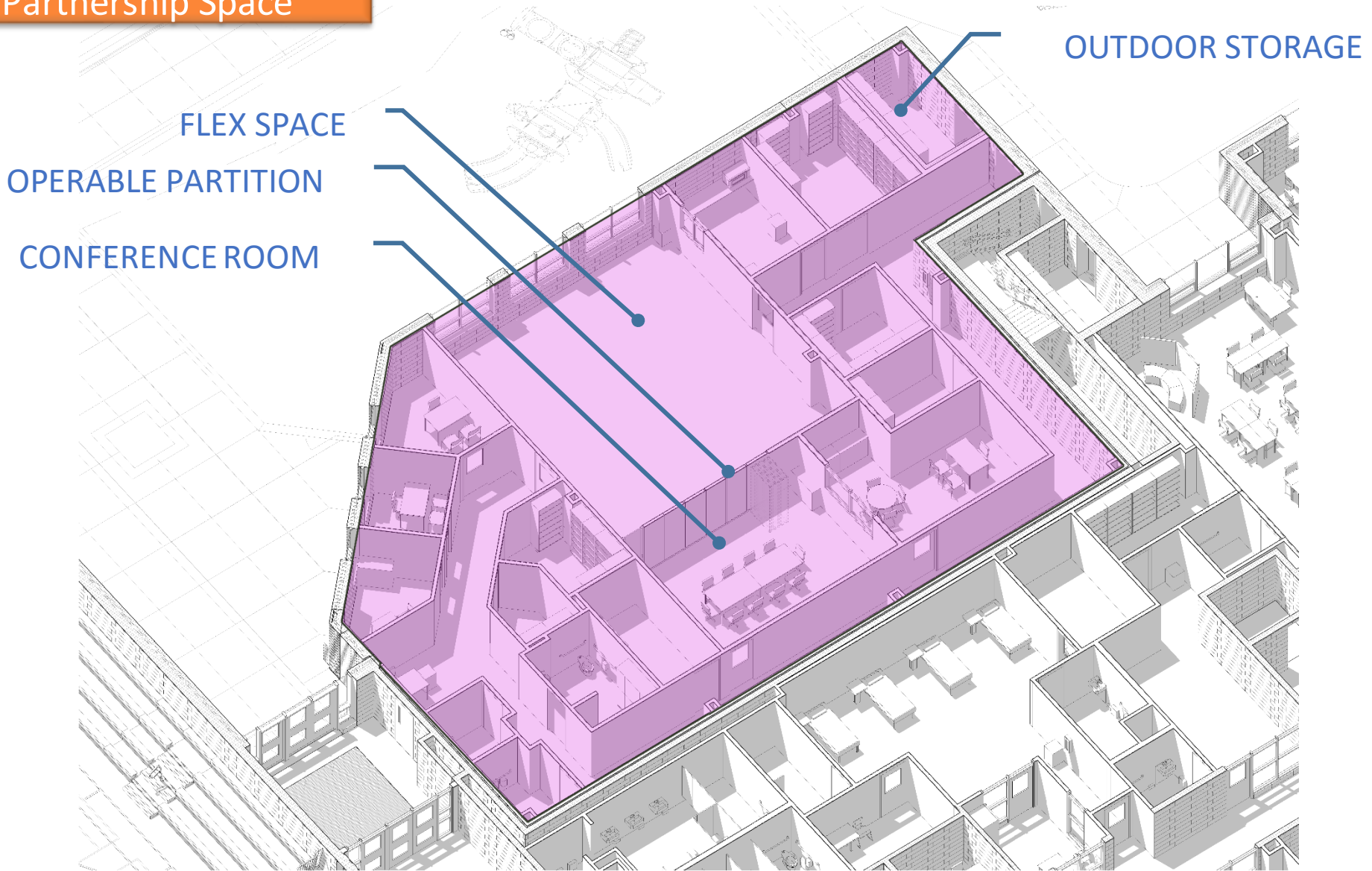
**Health Suites**

**Food Pantry**

**Mental Health  
Services**

**Family  
Support  
Services**

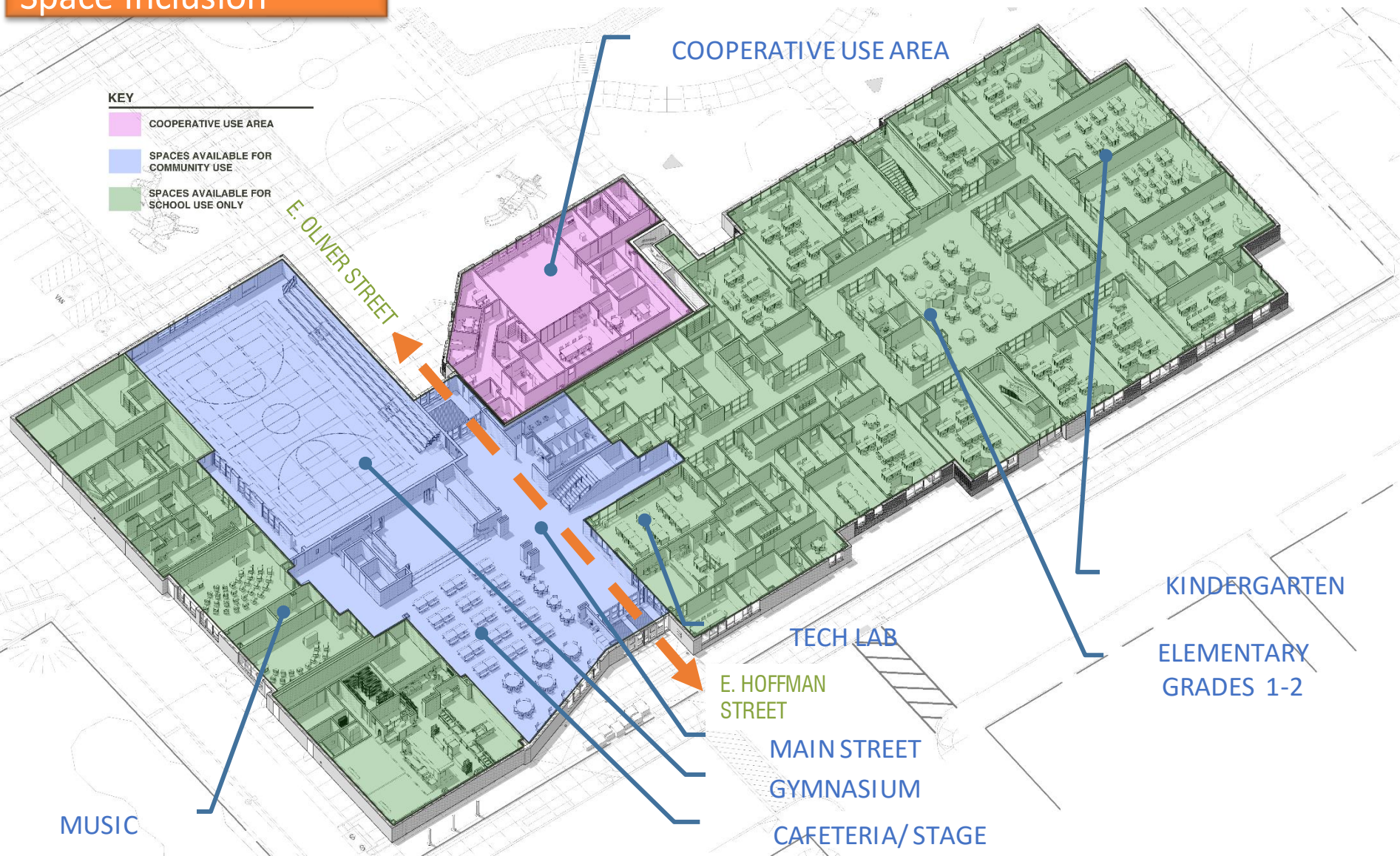
## Sample: Community Partnership Space



## Fort Worthington Sample Community/Partnership Space



# Sample: Shared Space Inclusion





## Feasibility Review

- School stakeholders provide feedback on building recommendation, January
- City Schools staff review stakeholder recommendation and other criteria
- 21<sup>st</sup> Century staff work with MOU partners to finalize recommendation

## Selection

- Board of School Commissioners Approval, February
- Notification to Maryland Stadium Authority
- Interagency on School Construction Approval
- Design Architect/Engineer Request for Proposal
- Award A/E and construction managers



Planning : 6-8 months

Pre-Design: 2-4 months  
18-24 months

Design: 10-12 months



Summer/Fall 2018

Design: 10-12 Months

## Meeting #5 Concept



## Meeting #6 Schematic



## Meeting #7 Design Development



## Meeting #8 Final Drawings



## Next Steps Planning Process:

Dates subject to change

# Educational Specification & Feasibility Study



**Planning: 6-8 Months**  
**August 2017 – February 2017**

Dates subject to change

### Meeting #1 Orientation

1. Review process
2. Learn key terms
3. Interactive activity

**October 25, 2017**

### Meeting #2 Essential Elements

1. Explore essential elements of design

**November 8, 2017**

### Meeting #3 50% Feasibility Study

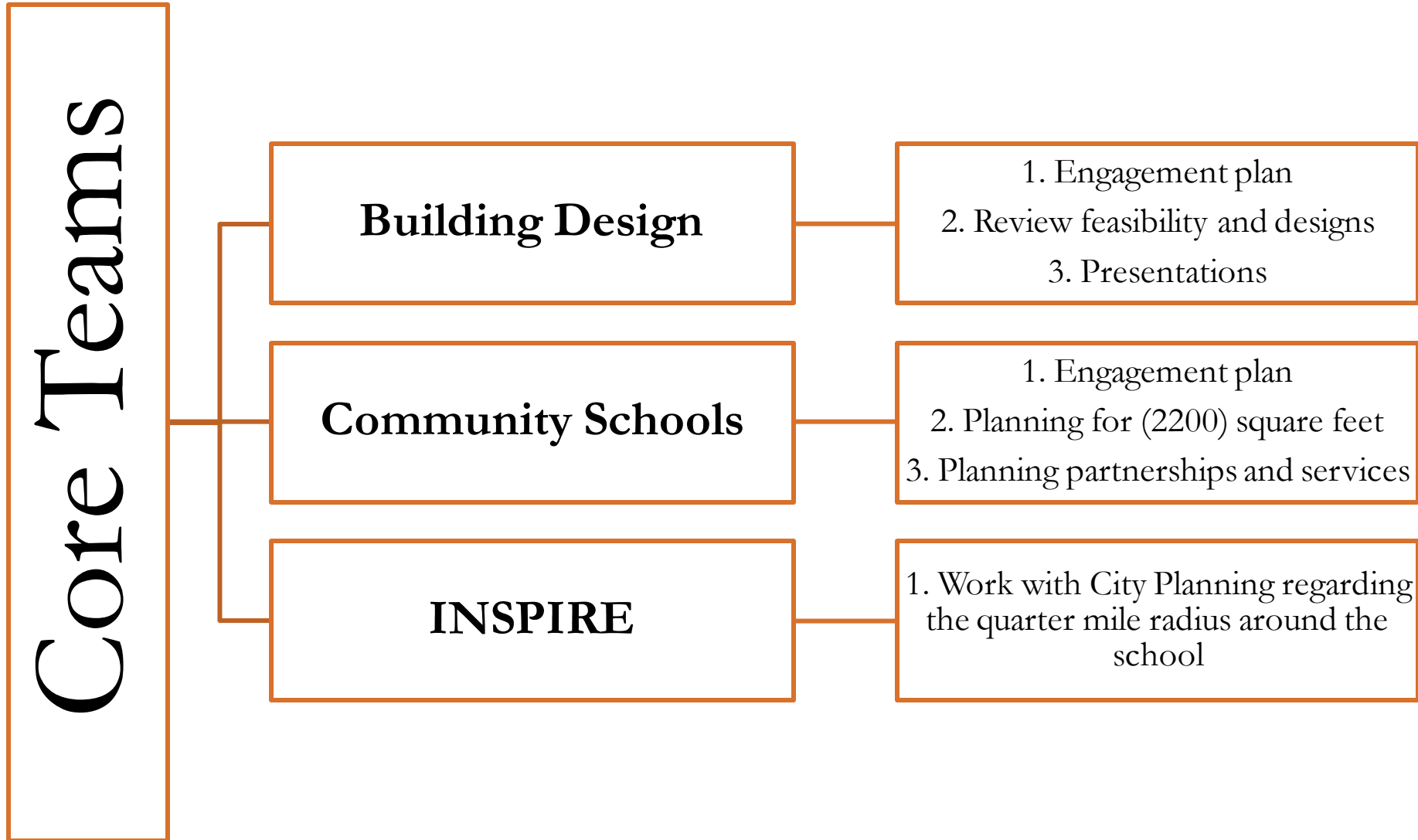
1. Review site & building options
2. Provide feedback

**December 20, 2017**

### Meeting #4 Feasibility Review

1. Make recommendation on building option

**January 2017**



# Questions?

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