

Presentation to

# North Caldwell Public Schools Board of Education

May 31, 2017





## a collaborative process

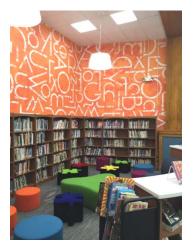


DRA Project No. 3244





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- Agenda
  - Purpose of referendum
  - Options
  - Cost and tax impact
  - Schedule





## What is a referendum

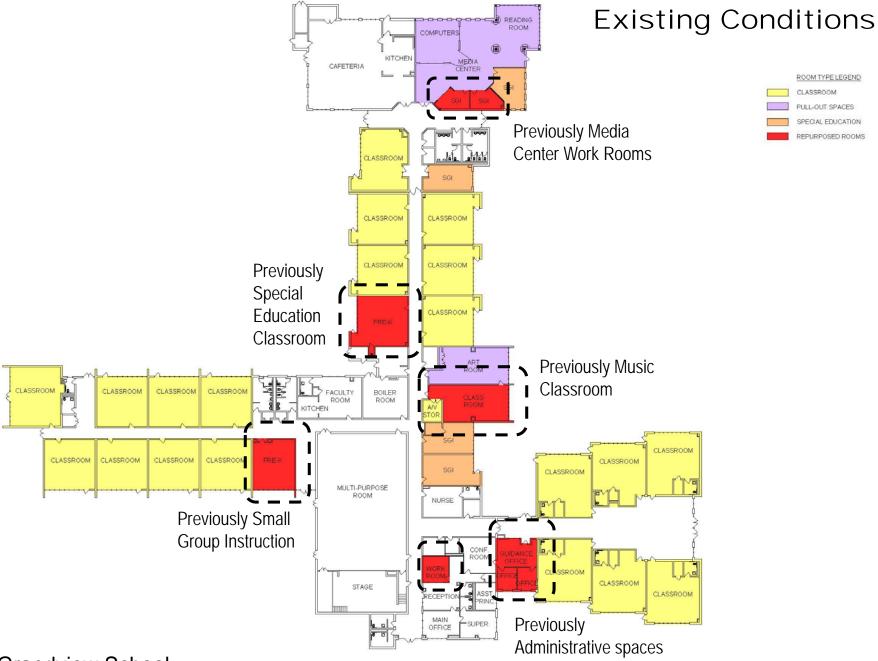
- Referendum: Voter decision as to whether a school district can raise funds through the sale of bonds to finance capital improvements such as new construction or renovations.
- New Jersey law requires a ballot question when a school district wishes to issue bonds for capital improvements
- Financing of construction: bonds are debt issued by a school district to lenders in order to pay for capital improvements such as construction or renovation. Debt is payable over time
- Various requirements
  - State approval required in advance of placing referendum on ballot
  - Voting for a referendum can only be held on specific dates (January, March, April / November, September, and December)
  - Spending on projects cannot exceed amount approved by the voters



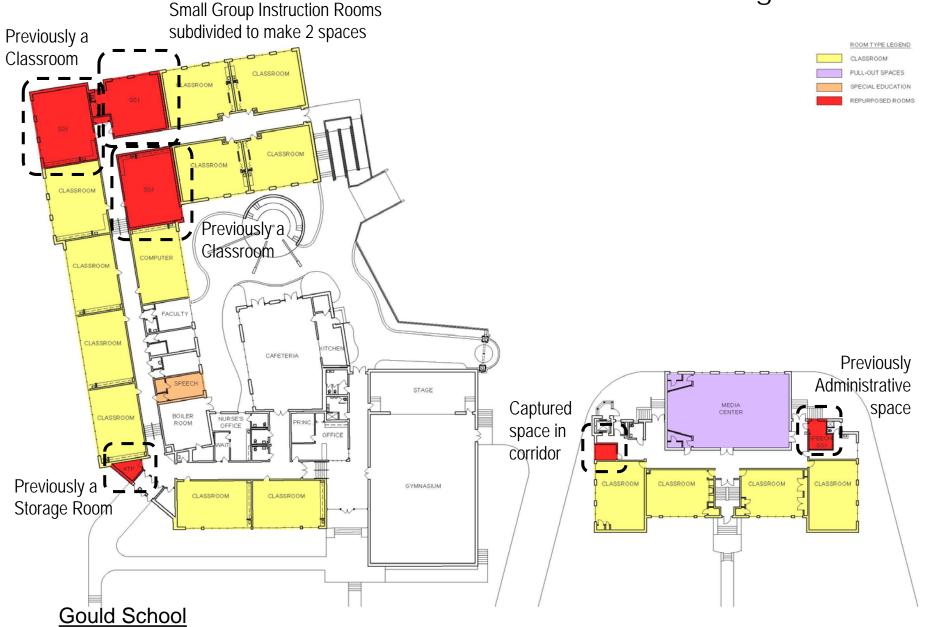
# Purpose of Referendum

- Address the population growth in North Caldwell
  - Maintain class size of approx. 18 students per class
  - Grandview 50 additional students by the year 2021/2022
  - Gould 47 additional students by the year 2021/2022
- Address spacial needs that are current issues in each school
  - Currently spaces typically used for support functions are being utilized for educational spaces – programs are currently being run in "closets"
  - Address connection of the Gould School buildings
  - Address Building Security at both facilities
- 3. Address facility improvement needs at both schools
  - Boiler Replacement
  - Roof Replacement
  - Site Improvements
  - Air Conditioning



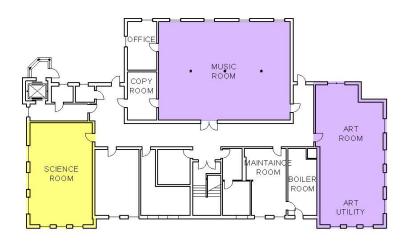


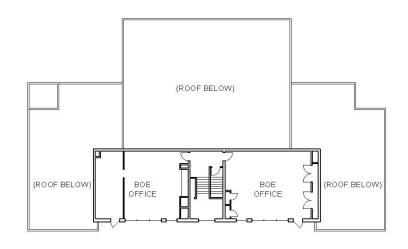
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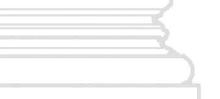


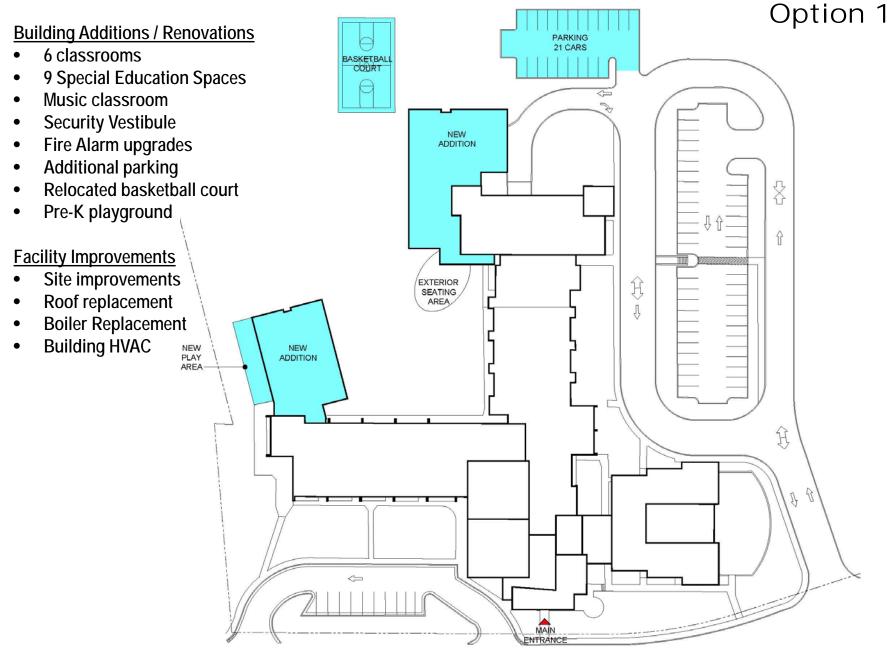


#### **Gould School**



# **Building Options**





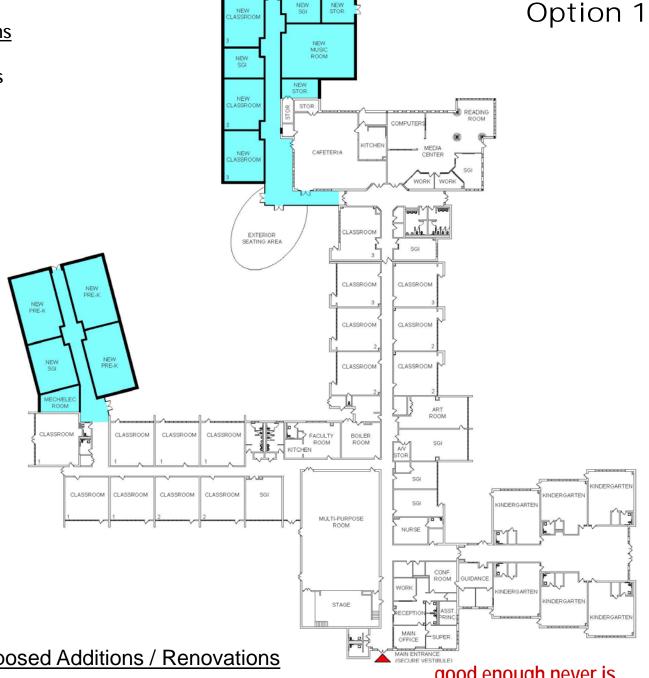
<u>Grandview School – Proposed Additions / Renovations</u>

#### **Building Additions / Renovations**

- 6 classrooms
- 9 Special Education Spaces
- Music classroom
- **Security Vestibule**
- Fire Alarm upgrades
- Additional parking
- Relocated basketball court
- Pre-K playground

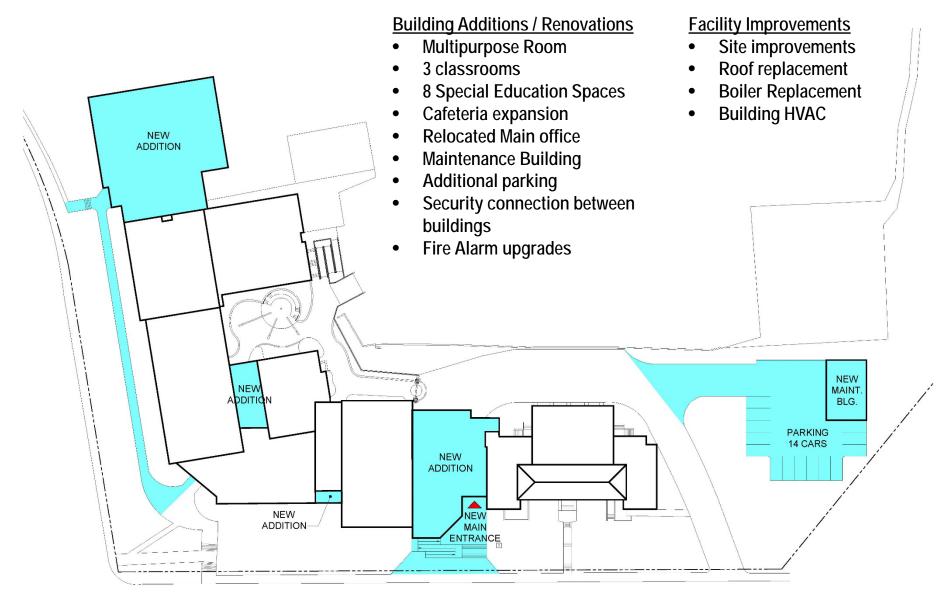
#### **Facility Improvements**

- Site improvements
- Roof replacement
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- **Building HVAC**



Grandview School – Proposed Additions / Renovations

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<u>Gould School – Proposed Additions / Renovations</u>

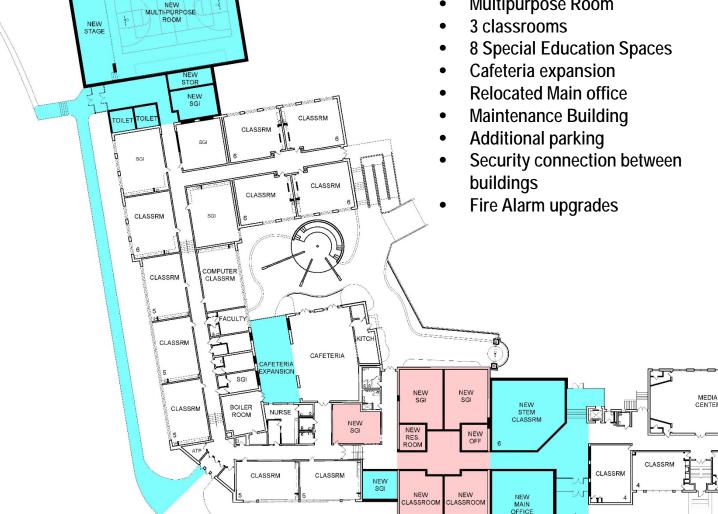
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#### **Building Additions / Renovations**

NEW MAIN

Multipurpose Room



Gould School – Proposed Additions / Renovations

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# Cost and Tax Impact

Option 1A

Grandview - no new gym, no HVAC Gould – new gym, no HVAC

**Referendum Amount** 

\$25,754,000.00

Without Debt Service Aid

\$797.46 (\$66.46 per month)

Option 1B

Grandview – no new gym, HVAC Gould – new gym, HVAC

**Referendum Amount** 

\$31,650,000.00

Without Debt Service Aid

\$981.08 (\$81.76 per month)

Based on the average home assessment of \$678,814.00 Debt Service Aid amount to be finalized by the NJDOE

#### Option 2 **Building Additions / Renovations** BASKETBAL COURT 21 CARS Multipurpose Room 6 classrooms 10 Special Education Spaces Music classroom NEW ADDITION **Security Vestibule** Fire Alarm upgrades Additional parking Relocated basketball court Pre-K playground EXTERIOR SEATING **Facility Improvements** 玖 Site improvements **Roof replacement** NEW **Boiler Replacement** NEW ADDITION PLAY AREA **Building HVAC** 子 **\**

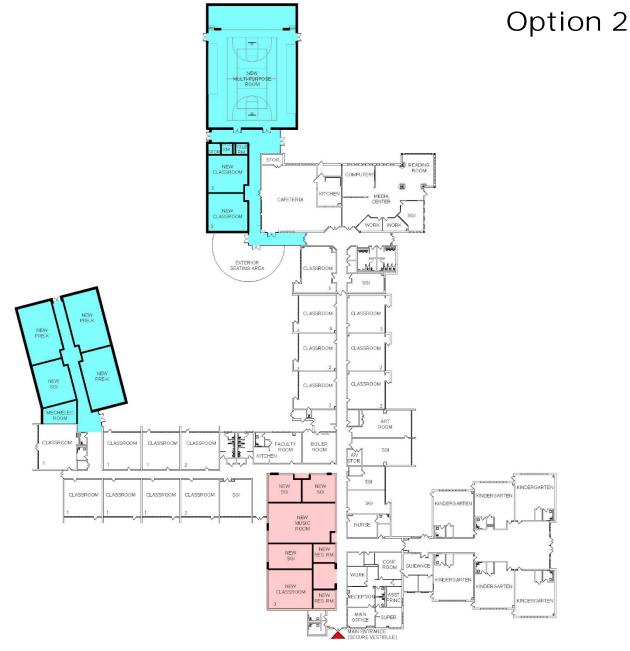
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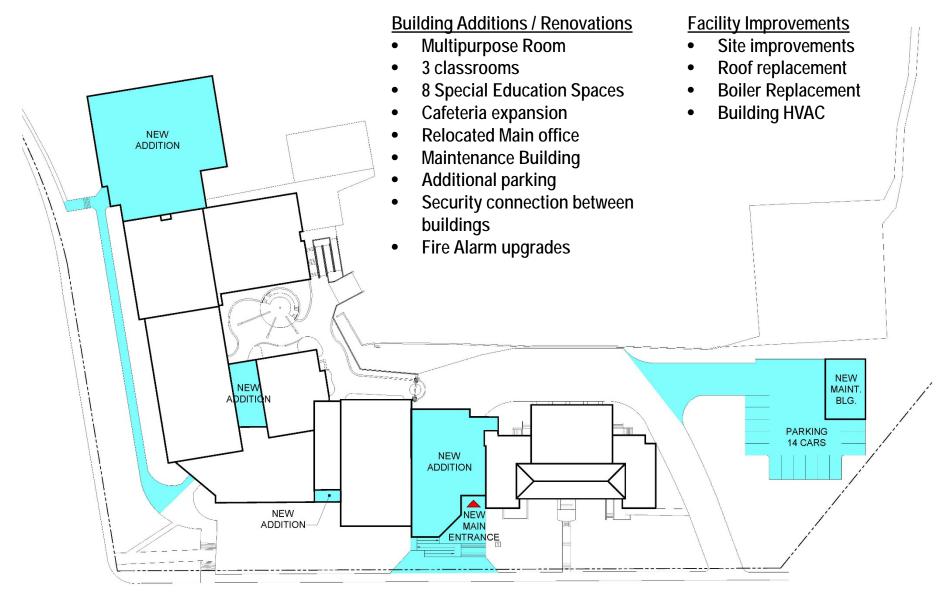
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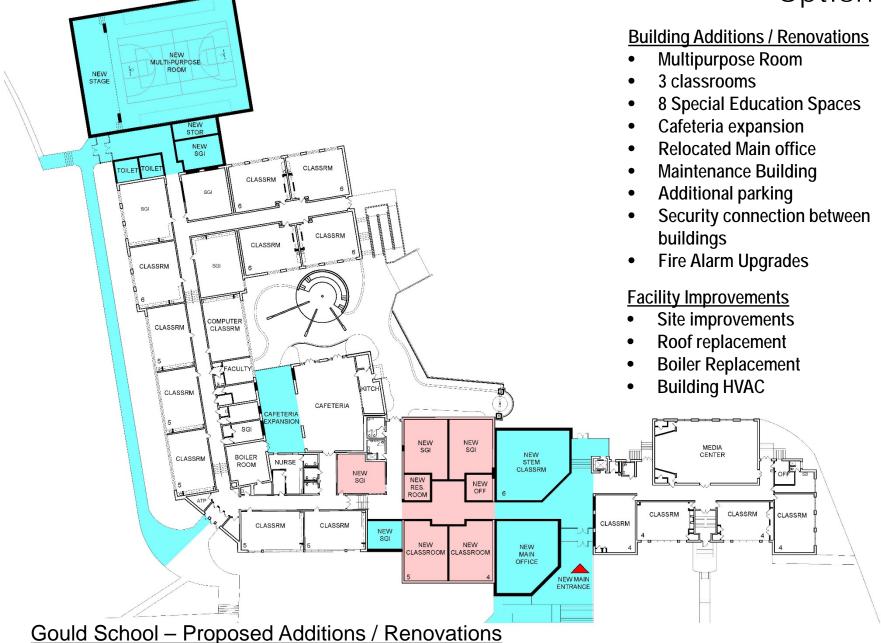
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<u>Gould School – Proposed Additions / Renovations</u>



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# Cost and Tax Impact

Option 2A

Grandview – new gym, no HVAC Gould – new gym, no HVAC

**Referendum Amount** 

\$29,375,000.00

Without Debt Service Aid

\$914.15 (\$76.18 per month)

Option 2B

Grandview – new gym, HVAC Gould – new gym, HVAC

**Referendum Amount** 

\$34,415,000.00

Without Debt Service Aid

\$1,066.14 (\$88.85 per month)

Based on the average home assessment of \$678,814.00 Debt Service Aid amount to be finalized by the NJDOE

#### **Facility Improvements**

- Renovate 3 classrooms for Pre-K
- Site improvements
- Roof replacement
- Boiler Replacement
- Building HVAC
- Security Vestibule
- Additional parking
- Pre-K playground
- Relocated basketball court

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PRE-K



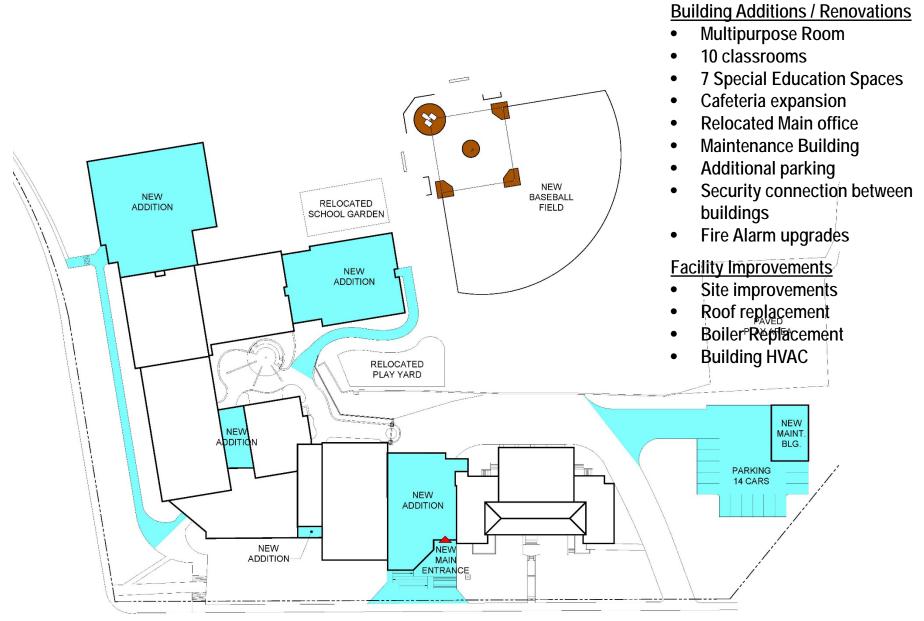
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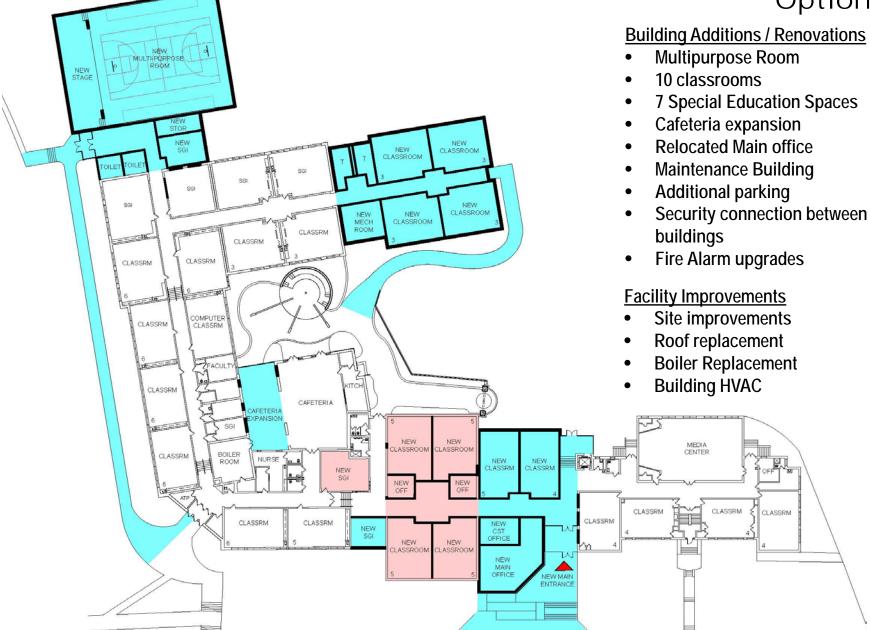
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<u>Grandview School – Proposed Additions / Renovations</u>





<u>Gould School – Proposed Additions / Renovations</u>

# Cost and Tax Impact

Option 3A

Grandview - grades Pre-K through 2, no HVAC Gould - grades 3 through 6, no HVAC

## **Referendum Amount**

\$20,900,500.00

Without Debt Service Aid

\$697.06 (\$58.09 per month)

## Option 3B

Grandview - grades Pre-K through 2, HVAC

Gould - grades 3 through 6, HVAC

## **Referendum Amount**

\$26,808,000.00

Without Debt Service Aid

\$879.77 (\$73.32 per month)

Based on the average home assessment of \$678,814.00 Debt Service Aid amount to be finalized by the NJDOE

## Cost Estimate Summary

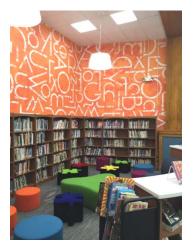
	With air conditioning		Without air conditioning	
	Total cost	Annual tax impact (average home)	Total cost	Annual tax impact (average home)
Expand both schools (new gym Gould only)	\$31.7 million	\$981	\$25.8 million	\$797
Expand both schools (new gym in both)	\$34.4 million	\$1,066	\$29.4 million	\$914
Expand Gould only and move 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade students to Gould	\$26.8 million	\$880	\$20.9 million	\$697

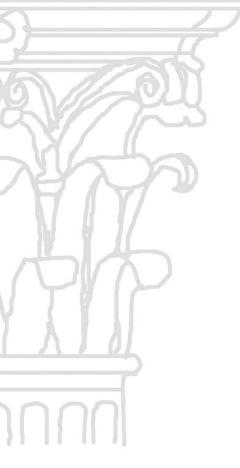


## Schedule

# Schedule for completion if pursued and approved

- Pre-referendum 9 months June 2017
- Referendum March 13, 2018
- Design Documents 8 months approx. November 2018
- Bidding and Award 2 months approx. January 2019
- Construction 16 months approx. May 2020
- Ready for School September 1, 2020





# Next Steps

## **Next Steps**

- Additional public input
- Additional meetings with Board of Education and District Administration
- Final decision to move forward on Referendum June 2017
- Option selected by the BOE July 31, 2017
- March 18, 2018 Referendum

## Comments & Questions