

June 7, 2023

## Dear Pennsbury School Community,

An exciting component of this budget is the funding to support a major change to the high school campus. Specifically, the budget lays the financial foundation for a move to one high school (either a major renovation to the West campus or the construction of a new high school on the grounds of the current high school campus). We believe this will have a positive impact on our students and staff for years to come. This fall, a district-wide committee will be assembled to help guide the direction that this project takes. Additional opportunities will be provided for community input.

## Tentative High School project schedule:

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July - November 2023	<ul> <li>Discussions/Assemble Committee</li> <li>Community Meetings</li> <li>Site Surveys, GeoTech Investigation, Hazardous Materials Investigation</li> </ul>
November/December 2023	RFP for Architect and School Design
January 2024 - June 2025	<ul> <li>Assemble Design Committee</li> <li>School Visits</li> <li>Community Presentations</li> <li>Design and Construction Approvals</li> </ul>
Summer 2025	Construction Starts
Winter 2029	New Building Opens

It is my sincere belief that our proposed budget is fiscally responsible, achieves our goals, and lays the foundation to address our high school. We appreciate your continued support as we work to provide our 10,000 students with an excellent education. Strong schools make for even stronger communities.

I invite you to review the budget information available on our website and to attend our public hearings. Should you have any specific questions regarding our budget or expenditures, please attend a <u>Finance Committee Meeting</u> or contact my office to schedule a budget review session.

Sincerely,

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