

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

**SCHOOL** Mary E. Rodman Elementary School **COMMUNITY MEETING** 50% Feasibility Study | March 23, 2017

BALTIMORE CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

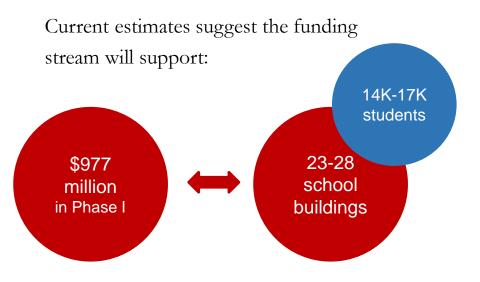


# 21st Century School Buildings Program Update

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.



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

## Investment in buildings, students and communities

Overall school revitalization project has three goals:

(1) to transform student opportunities and achievement;

(2) improve engagement and wellbeing of communities;

(3) help revitalize neighborhoods and communities.

#### Overview: Timeline/Process

# **Summary of Activities: Timeframe**



# 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.

# Mary E. Rodman - Classrooms and Spaces

3 Pre-Kindergarten and 3 Kindergarten Classrooms	1 Technology Education Lab
6 Grades 1 and 2 Classrooms	1 Gymnasium
9 Grades 3, 4, and 5 Classrooms	1 Media Room
4 Collaborative Learning Areas	1 Dining Area
2 Special Education Classrooms	Health Suite
1 Elementary Science Classroom	Administration
1 Visual Arts Studio	Student Services
2 Music Rehearsal Rooms	Community Spaces

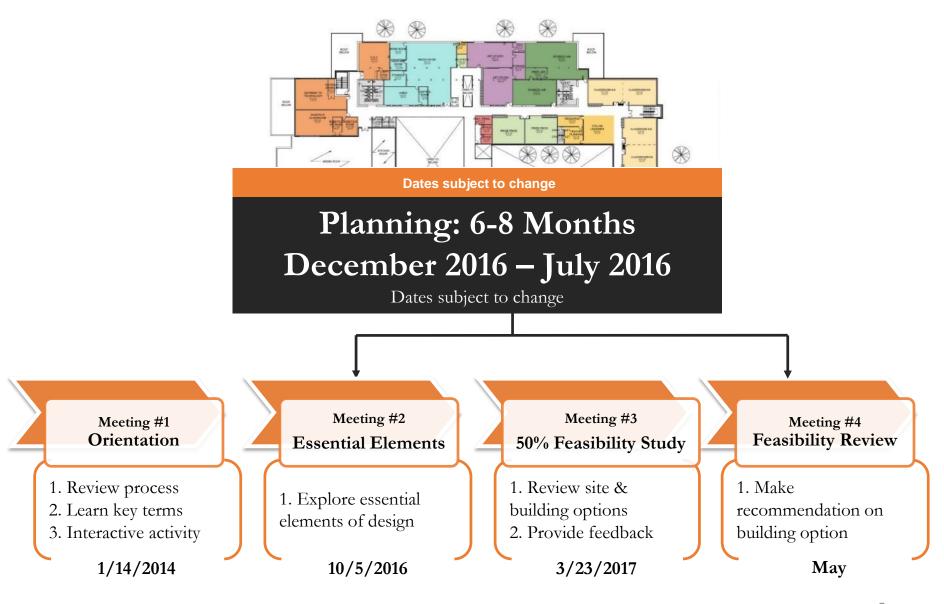
# Feasibility Study

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

## Educational Specification & Feasibility Study



## Mary E. Rodman Elementary School: Existing Building + Site



South façade and main entry

## Planning: **Existing Conditions**

## ACCESSIBILITY **1** First floor

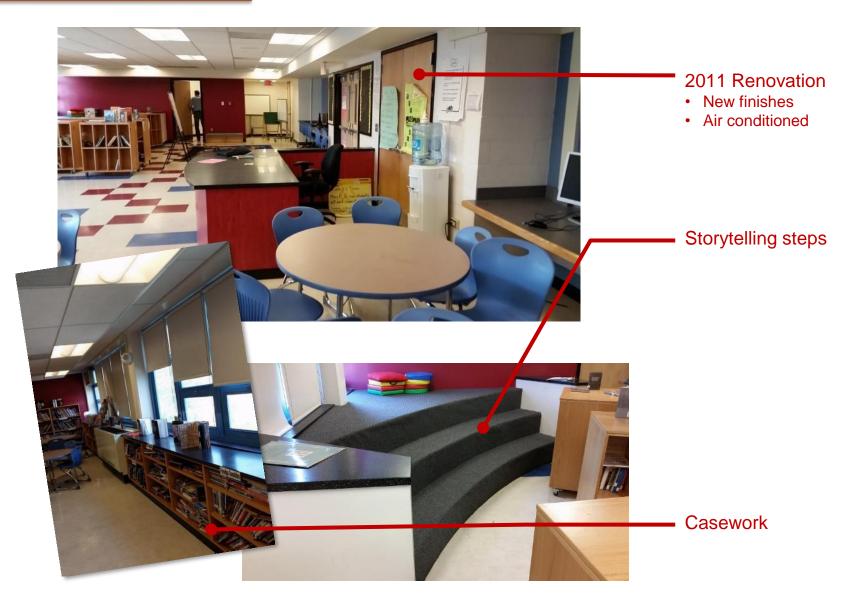
- No elevator •
- Stairs at main entry •
- Typical classroom door





## Planning: Existing Conditions

## INTERIOR: Media Center



### Planning: Observations

## **Observations**

- ADA and egress concerns
- No fire suppression system
- Asbestos in finishes
- Low floor-to-floor height
- Constrained site for expansion
- Building systems in need of replacement
- Ed spec does not fit in current building footprint

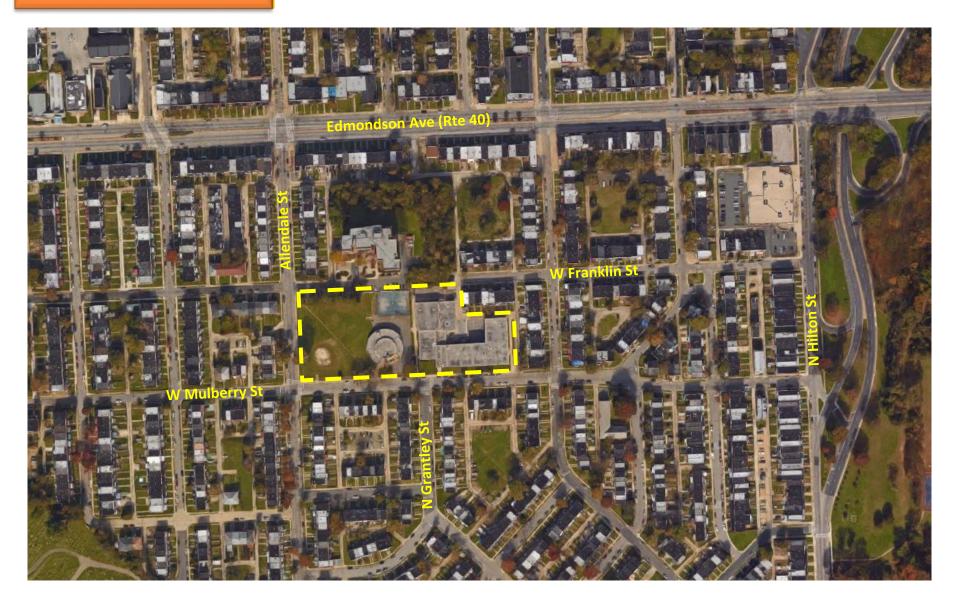


## **Opportunities**

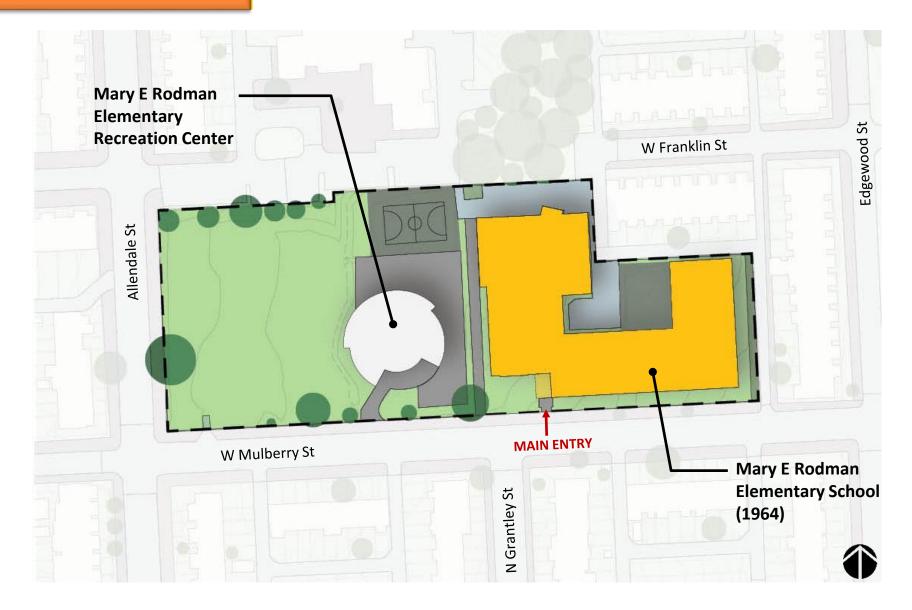
- Adequate classroom sizes
- Durable structure and materials
- Current window replacement
- Adequate big box spaces
- Flexibility of interior walls
- Daylighting



## Planning: Location Map



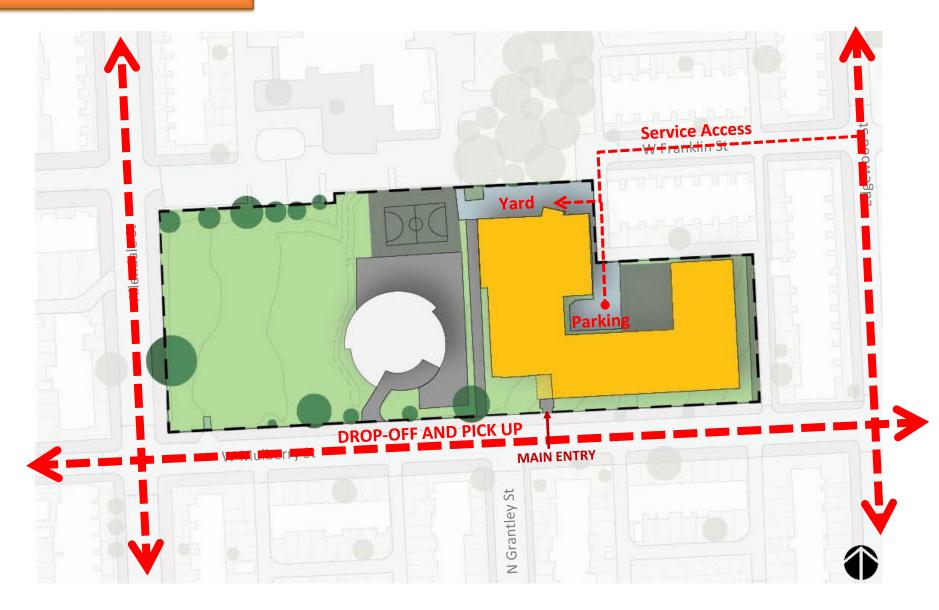
## Planning: Existing Site Plan



## Planning: Pedestrian Circulation



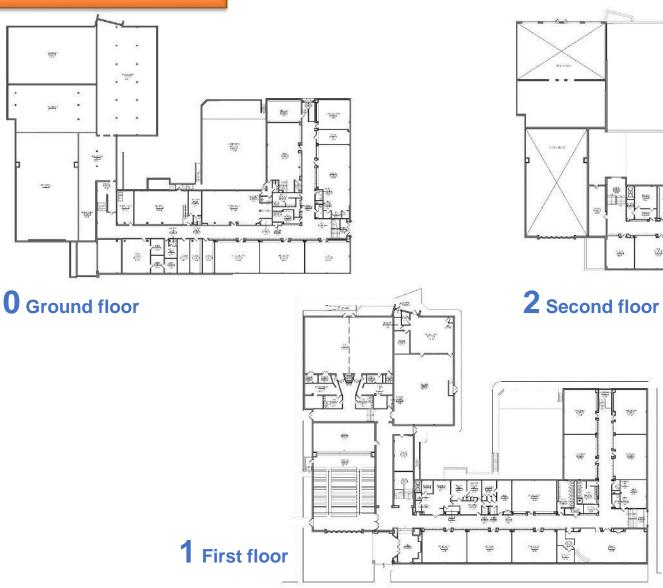
## Planning: Vehicular Circulation



## Planning: Site Topography



## Planning: **Existing Plans**



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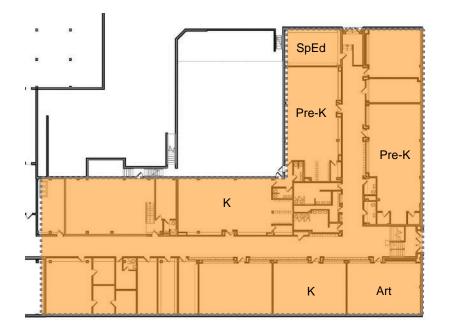
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### Re-thinking the "L" existing vs. proposed



## Planning: Existing Condition

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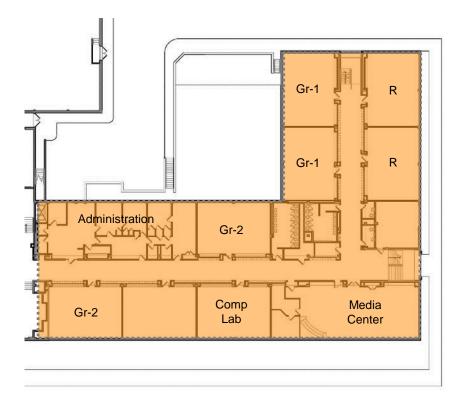
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## **O** Ground floor

## Planning: Existing Condition

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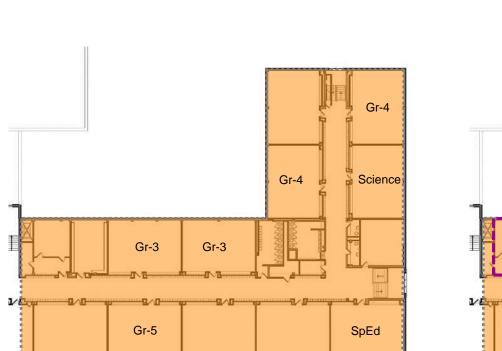
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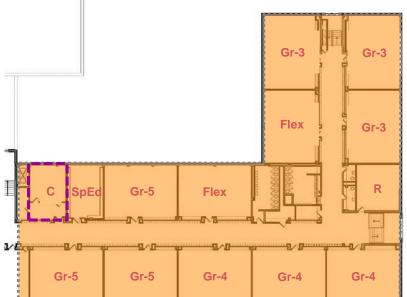
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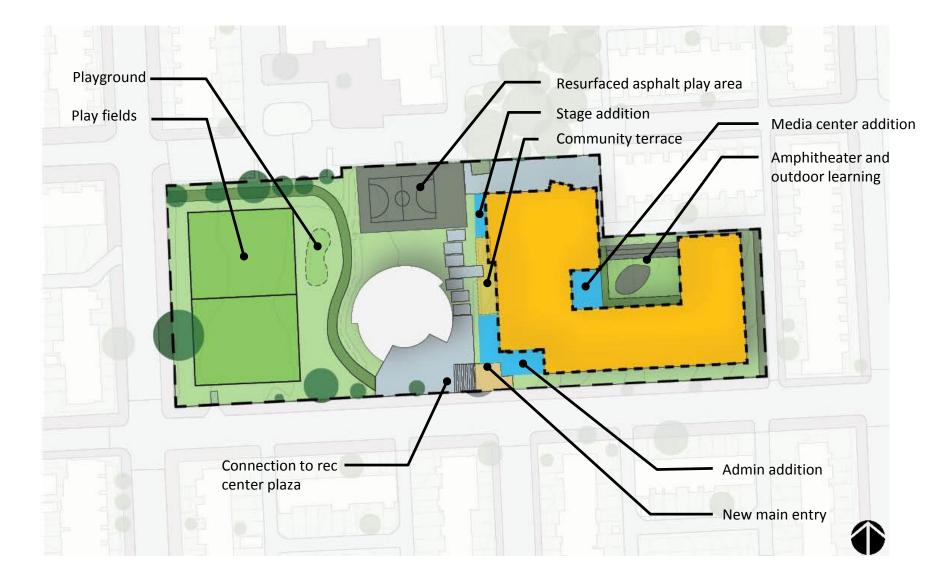


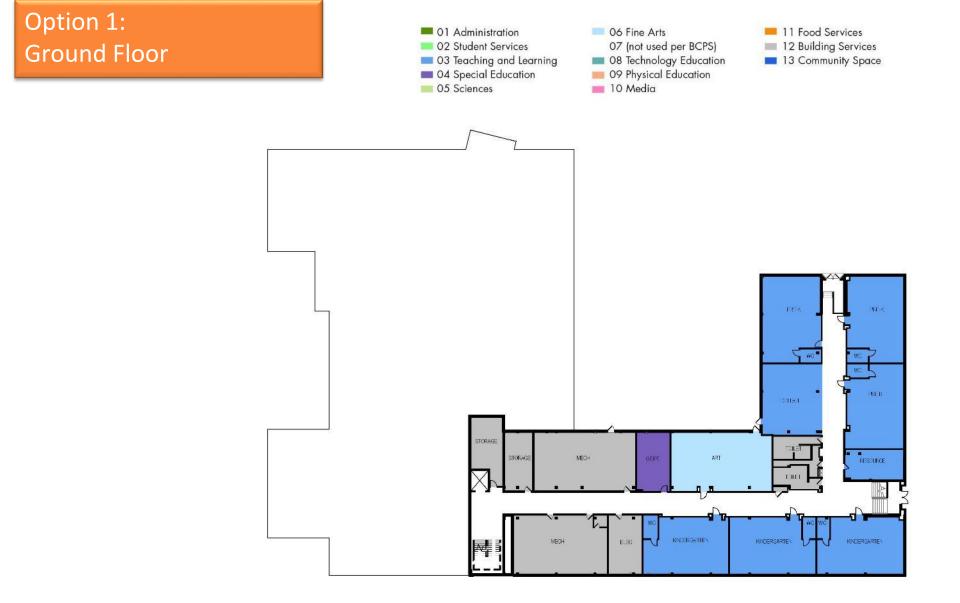
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## 2 Second floor

### Option 1:









## Option 1: Pros and Cons

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•	Reuses much of the existing structure and classrooms Maintains original character of the building on the inside Increases educational adequacy and compliance with site-specific Ed Spec	<ul> <li>Minimal discrepancies with the Ed Spec</li> <li>Minimal flexibility for growth</li> <li>Limited floor-to-floor heights</li> <li>Loss of traditional auditorium space</li> </ul>
•	Compliance with current building codes and accessibility is improved	

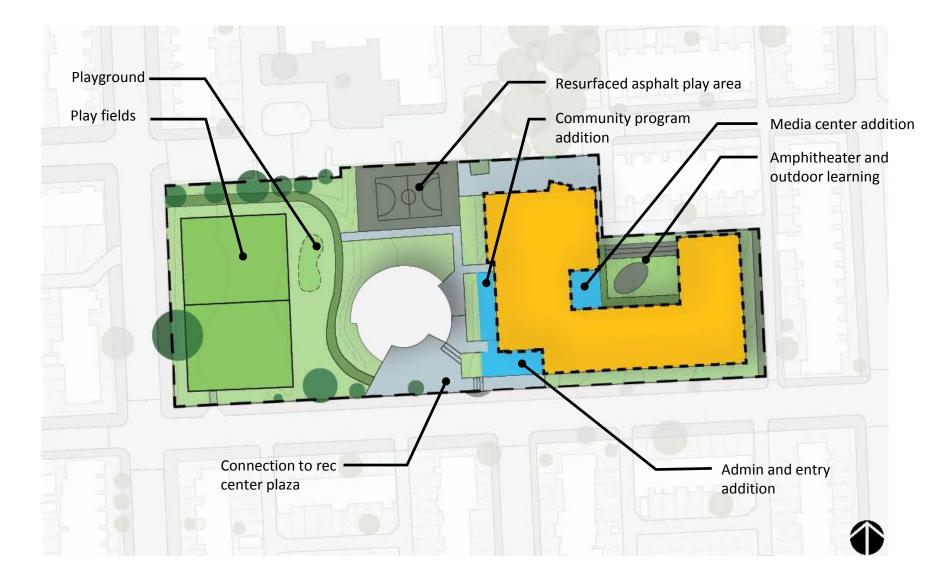
Mechanical and electrical systems

Minimal alteration to the site

to be replaced

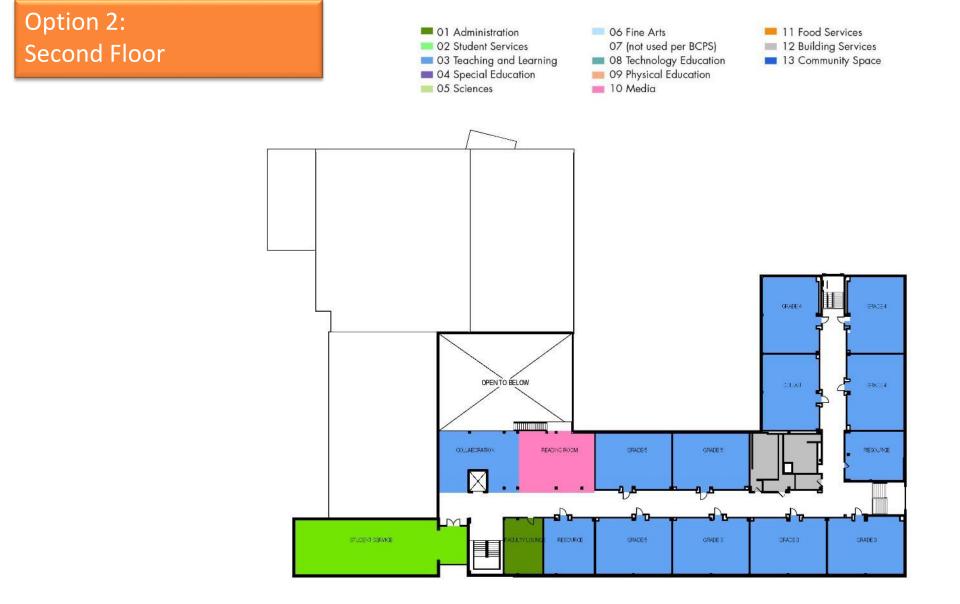
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#### Option 2:









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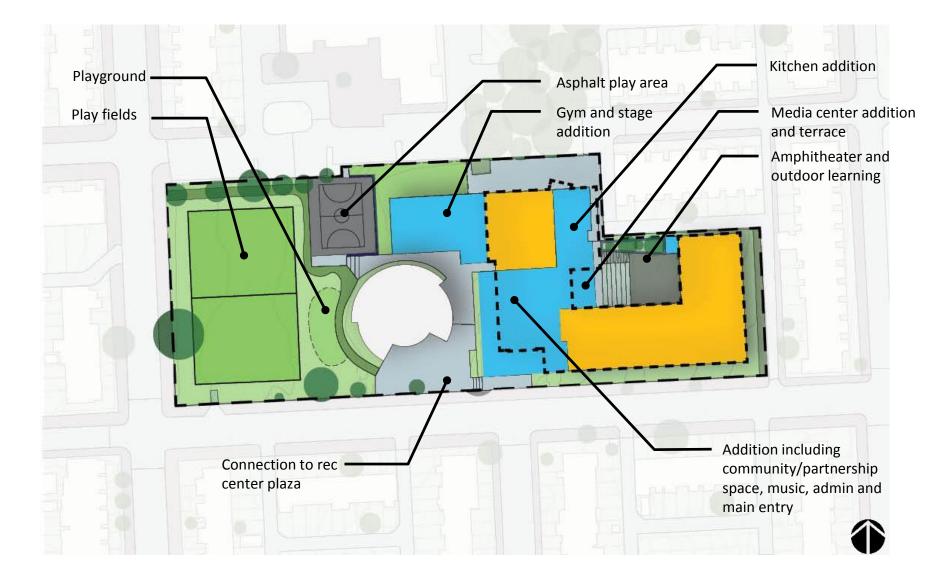
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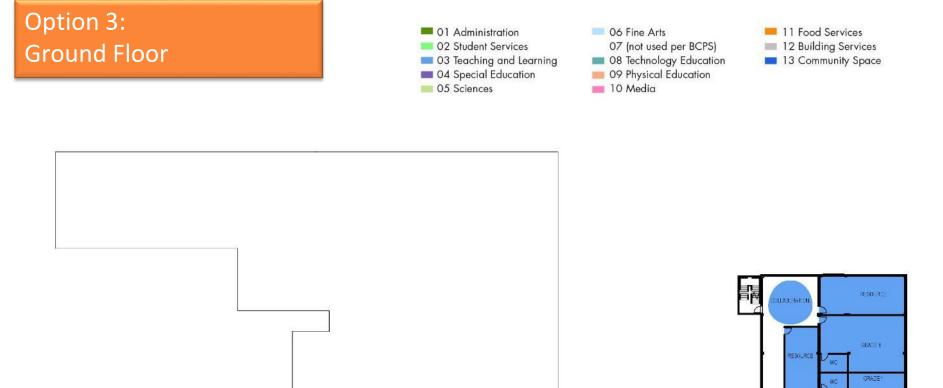
space (no new stage addition required)

used as community/partnership

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•	Minimal alteration to the site	

### Option 3:





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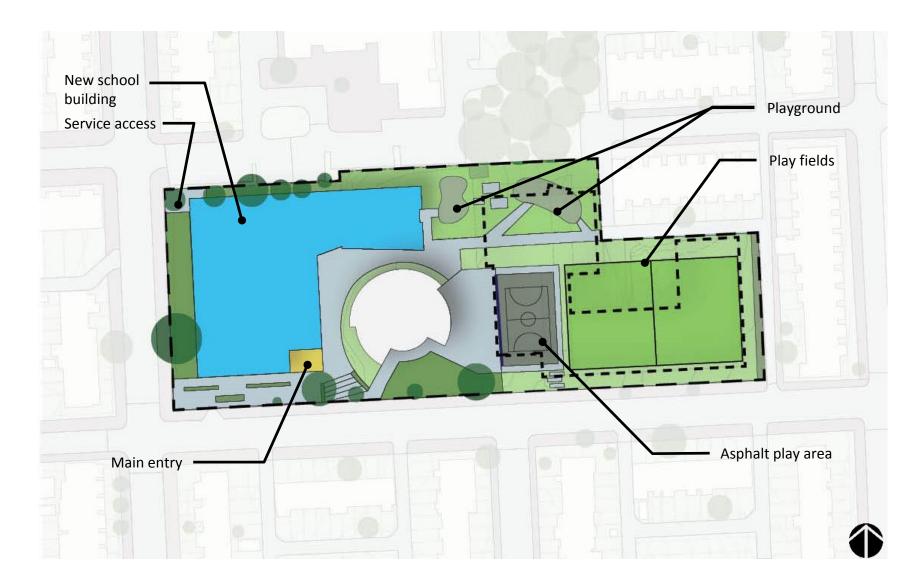




## Option 3: Pros and Cons

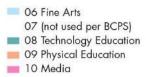
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### Option 4:



## Option 4: Ground Floor









## Option 4: First Floor





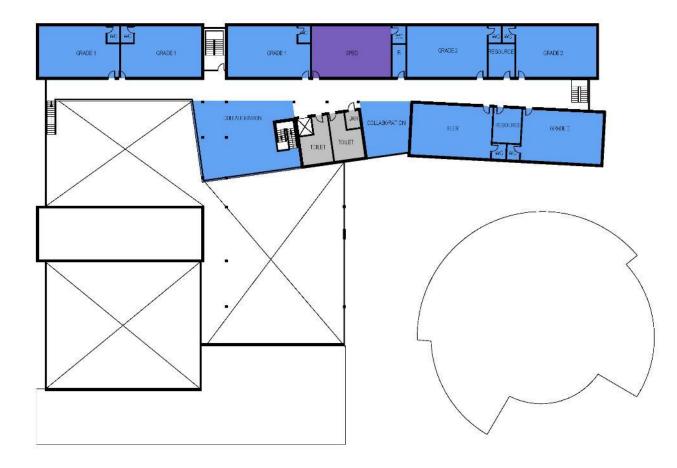


## Option 4: Second Floor









## Option 4: Third Floor







## Option 4: Pros and Cons

PROS	
Meets site-specific Ed Spec	•
requirements	•
High performance, energy-efficient	
building	
Spaces comply with current code	
and accessibility requirements	
School is located at the high point of	

- School is located at the high point of the site and creates a stronger street front on Allendale St
- Creates dramatic new identity for the school

## CONS

- Loss of original building
- More site remediation and development

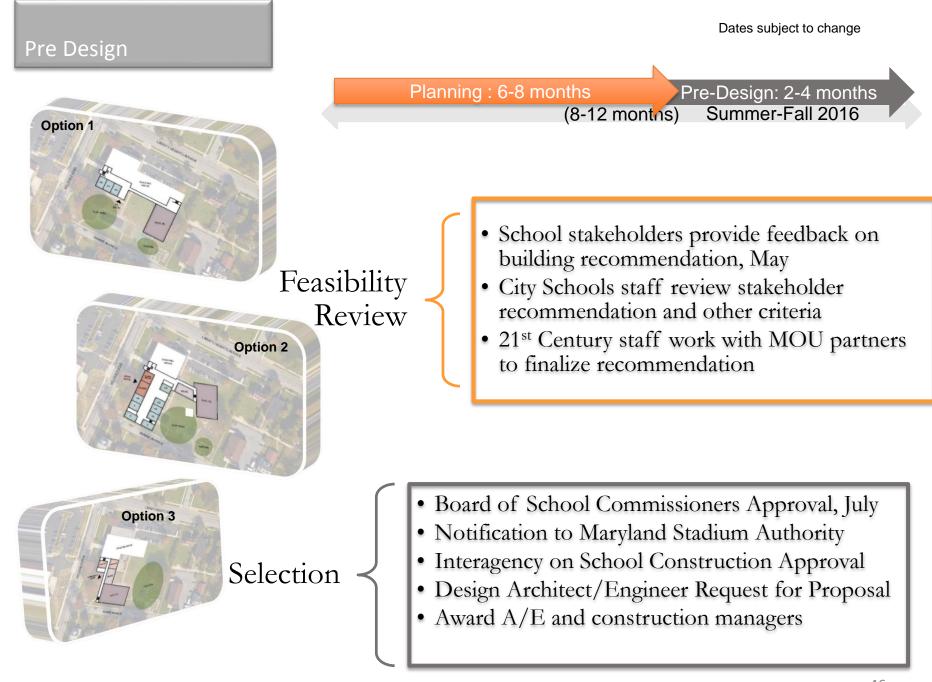
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# **Questions?**

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