

U-46 Facilities Master Plan Update July 17, 2023



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Tonight's Update

- Considerations for construction of new schools
- Letters of intent
- Unite U-46 updates



Considerations for New Construction

- Site location
- Overall acreage
- Residential area
- Density of student population
- Proximity to other schools



School Design Over the Years: 1890s-1920s



- Daylight
- Natural Ventilation
- Built on much smaller lots

School Design Over the Years: 1940s-50s



- Post-war suburban boom
- Cost-conscious
- Highly standardized

School Design Over the Years: 1970s



- Energy crisis
- No or few windows
- Mechanical ventilation and electric light
- Early open plan schools with poor acoustics

School Design Over the Years: 2000s



- Energy-efficient, sustainable design
- Healthy indoor environmental quality
- Safety and security
- Larger lot sizes

Letter of Intent

- **A letter of intent is a non-binding agreement and has been described as “slightly insignificant” by outside counsel**
- **Includes:**
 - 60 day due diligence period with option to extend another 60 days
 - 30 days to close post due diligence period
- **If approved, next steps would include**
 - Execution of a Purchase and Sale agreement
 - Delivery of earnest money
 - surveys and inspections as required for due diligence



Letter of Intent

- Portion of old Sherman Hospital site at 901 Center St.



Letter of Intent

■ 2604 Rohrssen Road in Elgin



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Planning Our Next Steps

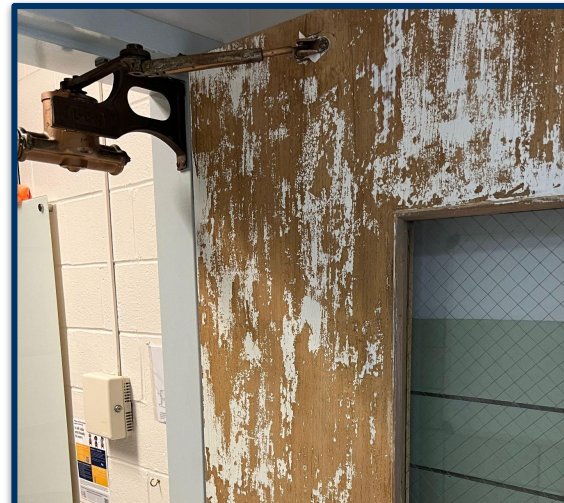
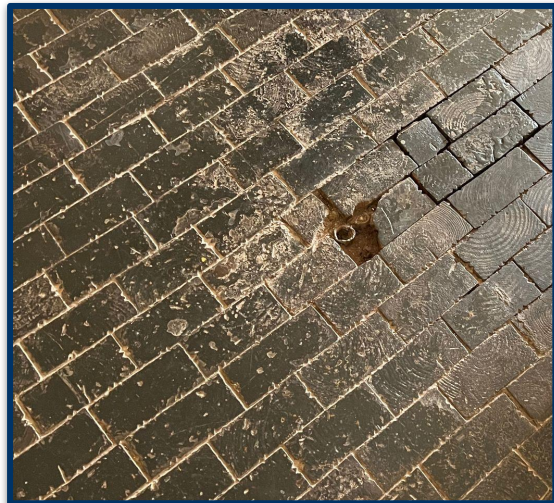
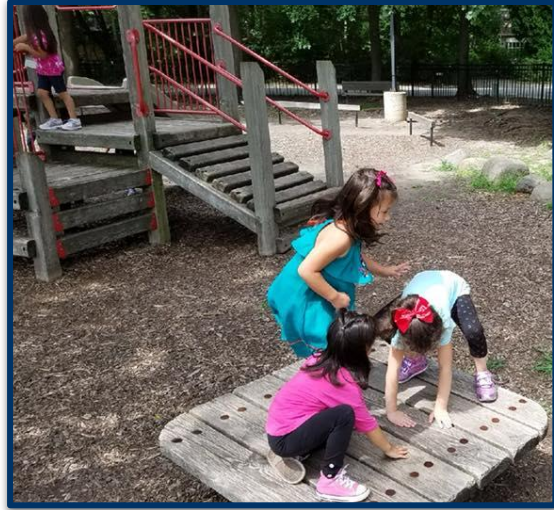
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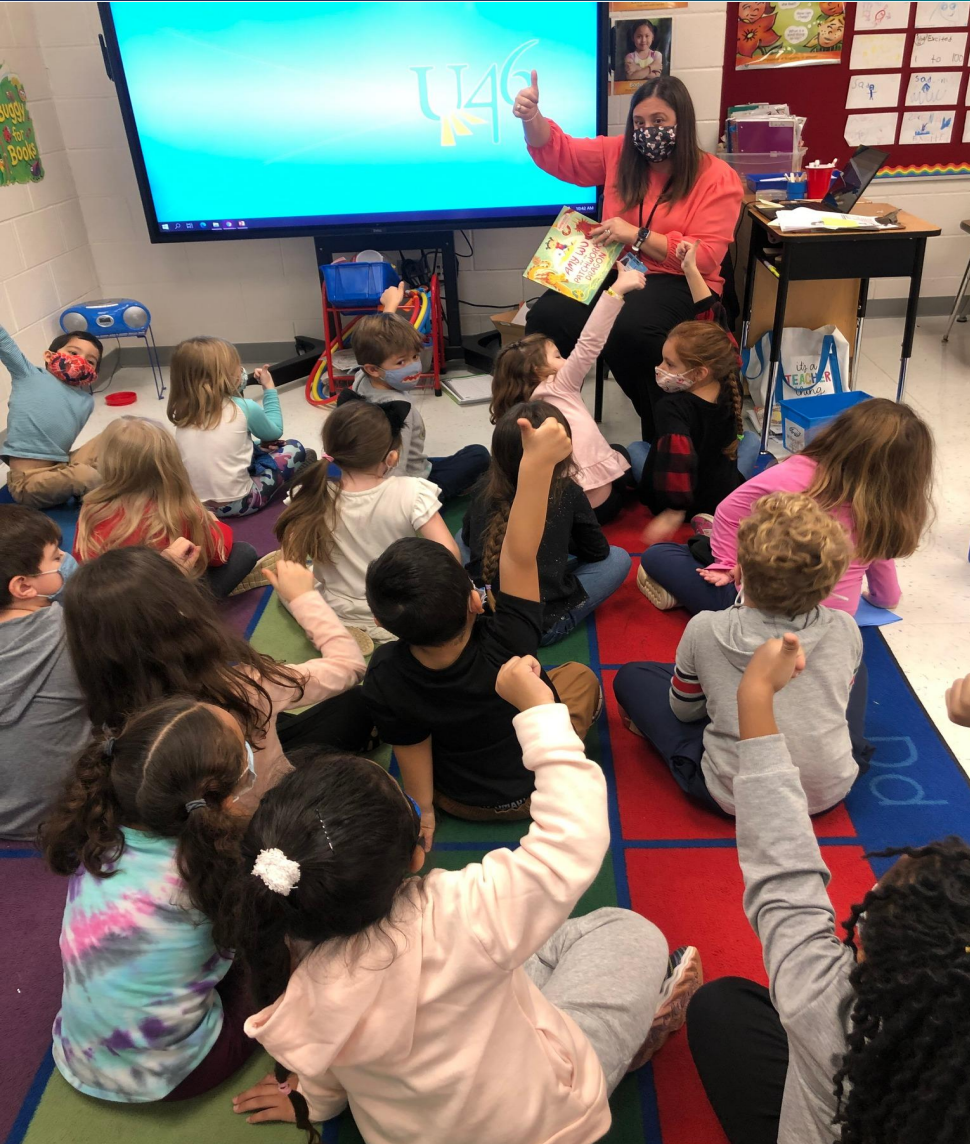
Goals Established

Goals

**Increase
budget for
maintenance
and repair by
\$10 million
per year**



Goals



- **Balance enrollment at buildings throughout district**
- **Improve equitable access to programs at more buildings districtwide**

Goals

Update elementary school buildings to provide additional preschool opportunities



Goals

Implement a true
6th through 8th
grade middle
school model
districtwide.



Goals

Develop an initial timeline for the implementation of the Unite U-46 recommendations and thoroughly communicate this timeline with the community.



THANK YOU!

