A systemwide initiative to develop schools that work smarter for our students.

MISSOULA COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

School System facilities and properties beyond its current school buildings

Our proposals for these facilities and properties support a 21st Century Educational Culture for all our students of the greater Missoula area, and focus on fiscal responsibility.
MEET YOUR SMART SCHOOLS TEAM

Steering Committee Members
These members of the larger committee helped formulate the recommendations submitted to the board in June 2014.

Karen Allen  MCPS
Alex Apostle  MCPS
Geoff Badenoch (Committee Chair) Community
Gary Bakke Community
Diane Beck Community
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MISSOULA COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS has been working diligently for 18 months on a plan and strategy to evolve all its facilities to best meet the needs of our students, teachers, staff, families and community.

Our planning focuses on providing 21st-century educational facilities that ensure all our students have the best opportunities for their achievement — both in K-12 classwork and beyond in higher education and the workforce. Our planning focuses on flexible, dynamic buildings that will evolve with the needs of our students, teachers and all staff members, today and into the future. And, our planning focuses on fiscal responsibility.

While each school site had a local team of parents, students, staff and administrators to design a plan for the future use of their school, plans for the MCPS districts’ properties were all addressed by the Steering Committee. Each recommendation included in this brochure identifies the Steering Committee’s best work to align the school system’s leased and unused properties as well as its administrative offices to the needs of MCPS in the 21st century.

SMART SCHOOL FACILITIES SUPPORT 21ST CENTURY EDUCATIONAL CULTURE IN THREE WAYS:

SECURITY They create a secure environment where all students and teachers can concentrate on learning.

TECHNOLOGY They allow for rapidly evolving technology to be implemented into education well into the future.

ENVIRONMENT They feature dynamic layouts that are open and flexible, enabling multiuse, class-to-class collaboration and evolution of curriculum over time.
NOW IS THE TIME TO INVEST IN SMARTER SCHOOLS

Education has never been more important than it is today. Our students face international competition for scholarships and jobs, and an increasing pace of change that impacts their futures. Yet, while the need for quality education continues to increase, our schools are physically in decline.

At Missoula County Public Schools, we realize that we must change if we’re to keep up academically and economically as a community. That’s why we launched Smart Schools 2020. Led by teams from each school, the initiative assesses needs by facility and prioritizes those needs in light of achieving our goals of a 21st Century Educational Culture and of being fiscally responsible.

By addressing schools now we prevent further deterioration of facilities, better prepare for population growth and ensure our students continue to get the educational opportunities they need to succeed in school and beyond.

TO GET INVOLVED OR FOR MORE INFORMATION on proposals to provide facilities that serve a 21st Century Educational Culture, please visit www.mcpsmt.org.

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ADMINISTRATION / BUSINESS BUILDING

OUR TEAM’S RECOMMENDED OPTION

OPTION C-1 CONSOLIDATE:

• Current plans do not include revitalization of these sites.

FACILITIES STRATEGIC PLAN
Site area: 1 acre
Building Square Footage
Existing: 10,000
Total Project Cost: $0
Replacement Cost: $3,115,000
Remaining Deferred Maintenance & Energy Project Costs: $0
Rental / Lease / Sale Income: $250,000

Costs include construction, demolition (where applicable), technology, furnishings, site development, design fees, and acquisition (where applicable). Contingency and escalation to January 2020.

OPTION E-1 EXPAND:

• Convert existing Business Building into a local and regional training center for school system staff.
• Address deferred maintenance, energy projects, boiler.

FACILITIES STRATEGIC PLAN
Site area: 1 acre
Building Square Footage
Existing: 10,000
Total Project Cost: $0
Replacement Cost: $3,115,000
Remaining Deferred Maintenance & Energy Project Costs: $0
Rental / Lease / Sale Income: None

Costs include construction, demolition (where applicable), technology, furnishings, site development, design fees, and acquisition (where applicable). Contingency and escalation to January 2020.
**MOUNT JUMBO**

**OUR TEAM’S RECOMMENDED OPTION**

**OPTION B-1 BUSINESS AS USUAL:**


**FACILITIES STRATEGIC PLAN**

- Site area: 5.0 acres
- Parking spaces: 45
- Building Square Footage
  - Existing: 40,304
  - Total Project Cost: $211,327*
  - Replacement Cost: $9,289,103
  - Remaining Deferred Maintenance & Energy Project Costs: $1,141,404
- Rental / Lease / Sale Income: $56,976/year through 2015
- Capacity: 332
- Accessible Capacity: 332
- Accessible / Permanent Capacity: 332

*All costs are projected based on industry averages for building costs, sizes and land prices. Final project budgets will be developed during the design process for each site.

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**VOAG PROGRAM**

**OUR TEAM’S RECOMMENDED OPTION**

**OPTION R-1 REALIGN, RELOCATE, RENOVATE:**

- Create commercial kitchen in existing building.

**FACILITIES STRATEGIC PLAN**

- Site area: 66.08 acres
- Parking spaces: 215
- Building Square Footage
  - Existing: 17,411
  - Total Project Cost: $596,152*
  - Replacement Cost: $4,350,000
  - Remaining Deferred Maintenance & Energy Project Costs: $0
- Rental / Lease / Sale Income: None
- Current Enrollment: Accounted for in high schools

*All costs are projected based on industry averages for building costs, sizes and land prices. Final project budgets will be developed during the design process for each site.
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OUR TEAM’S RECOMMENDED OPTION
OPTION B-1 BUSINESS AS USUAL:

• Continue to lease school to Missoula International School.

FACILITIES STRATEGIC PLAN
Site area: 1.94 acres
Parking spaces: 12
Building Square Footage
Existing: 25,033
Total Project Cost: $0
Replacement Cost: $5,769,505
Remaining Deferred Maintenance & Energy Project Costs: $2,197,544
Rental / Lease / Sale Income: $57,504/year through 2017
Current Enrollment: None
Capacity: 186
Accessible Capacity: 60
Accessible / Permanent Capacity: 40

Costs include construction, demolition (where applicable), technology, furnishings, site development, design fees, and acquisition (where applicable). Contingency and escalation to January 2020.

WHITTIER

OUR TEAM’S RECOMMENDED OPTION
OPTION S-1 START OVER:

• Continue to lease school.

FACILITIES STRATEGIC PLAN
Site area: 1.56 acres
Parking spaces: 15
Building Square Footage
Existing: 23,096
Total Project Cost: $20,734
Replacement Cost: $6,100,000
Remaining Deferred Maintenance & Energy Project Costs: $2,358,023
Rental / Lease / Sale Income: $150,000
Current Enrollment: None
Future Peak Enrollment: None

Costs include construction, demolition (where applicable), technology, furnishings, site development, design fees, and acquisition (where applicable). Contingency and escalation to January 2020.
• Issue RFP for development partner.

FACILITIES STRATEGIC PLAN
Site area: 20.62 acres
Parking spaces: None
Building Square Footage
Existing: 0
Total Project Cost: $20,734
Replacement Cost: $0
Remaining Deferred Maintenance & Energy Project Costs: $0
Rental / Lease / Sale Income: None

Costs include construction, demolition (where applicable), technology, furnishings, site development, design fees, and acquisition (where applicable). Contingency and escalation to January 2020.
**DUNCAN DRIVE PROPERTY**

**OUR TEAM’S RECOMMENDED OPTION**

**OPTION S-1 START OVER:**

- Completed 40-year lease with the City of Missoula.

**FACILITIES STRATEGIC PLAN**

- Site area: 12.99 acres
- Parking spaces: 40
- Building Square Footage:
  - Existing: 0
  - Total Project Cost: $0
  - New: 50,000
  - Replacement Cost: $2,600,000
  - Remaining Deferred Maintenance & Energy Project Costs: $0
  - Rental / Lease / Sale Income: $2,600,000

Costs include construction, demolition (where applicable), technology, furnishings, site development, design fees, and acquisition (where applicable). Contingency and escalation to January 2020.

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**CASALOMA PROPERTY**

**OUR TEAM’S RECOMMENDED OPTION**

**OPTION 0-1 OUT OF THE BOX:**

- Identified as future site for Willard Alternative Learning High School Program.

**FACILITIES STRATEGIC PLAN**

- Site area: 1.72 acres
- Parking spaces: None
- Building Square Footage:
  - Existing: 9,000
  - New: 50,000
  - Total Project Cost: $0
  - Replacement Cost: $1,000,000
  - Remaining Deferred Maintenance & Energy Project Costs: $0
  - Rental / Lease / Sale Income: TBD

Costs include construction, demolition (where applicable), technology, furnishings, site development, design fees, and acquisition (where applicable). Contingency and escalation to January 2020.
THE SMART SCHOOLS PROCESS

SCHOOL CENTRIC:
Criteria and preferred options were established for each school by a team of teachers, administrators, students and parents from that school, along with members of the Missoula community.

COLLABORATIVE:
Alternatives were shared at public meetings at each school. In addition, surveys were sent out systemwide to vet priorities.

REALISTIC:
Team recommendations will be reviewed by the steering committee and the elected board of trustees before a bond measure is drafted.

PUBLIC:
Everyone is invited to review options and weigh in. Final support for the initiative will be determined by public election in November 2015.

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