

School Building Project



Town Meeting March 23, 2013



- Outreach
- "L-shaped" configuration is a "new project"
- MSBA encouraged Lincoln to submit a new Statement of Interest (SOI)
 - → April 10th deadline
- School Committee (SC) and Board of Selectmen (BOS) voted to submit the new SOI



There are eight (8) key reasons districts can choose to submit an SOI.

Four of the eight categories are relevant to Lincoln:

- Condition of the facility
- Energy consumption
- Short term enrollment
- Renovation/replacement in order to provide programs consistent with state and local requirements



- IF accepted into MSBA pipeline, up to \$17,700 for our architect and OPM to evaluate usefulness of prior work
- Stabilization Fund Transfer
- 2/3 Town Meeting vote for approval
- Opportunity to gauge Town support for seeking MSBA funding

* Your YES VOTE Means...

- You support the decision to "keep the door open" for MSBA funding
- IF Lincoln is accepted AND Town chooses to enter pipeline:
 - → Develop a project that addresses <u>all</u> the issues in the SOI
 - \rightarrow Long-term, comprehensive solution
 - →Be true to Lincoln's vision and values, *and* follow MSBA guidelines



- You don't support the SC/BOS decision to submit the SOI to the MSBA
- IF WE DO NOT SUBMIT:
 - →Lincoln will <u>not be eligible</u> for state funding and will pay 100% of the costs of any project
 - \rightarrow The needs will still need to be addressed



- Lincoln has paid for 4 studies of the school in 10 years to document needs and suggest magnitude of solutions
- Voting "yes" supports "keeping the door open"
- A carefully planned project w/ state reimbursement is likely to be the most <u>effective</u> use of our tax dollars
- A comprehensive project is <u>least disruptive</u> to education

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Proposed Project Timeline (If all goes according to plan...)



Goal: Address the facilities needs of the Lincoln School

- Engage the Town—open, inclusive process
 - \rightarrow New SBC that draws on experience and includes new voices
 - \rightarrow Open meetings, clear communication
- Shared support for a single project that addresses:
 - \rightarrow Educational needs
 - \rightarrow Facilities needs
- Clearly communicate Town choices and decision points
- School Committee is committed to:
 - \rightarrow Fiscal responsibility
 - \rightarrow Responsible stewardship of the building
 - \rightarrow Meeting all educational needs
 - \rightarrow Meeting safety and accessibility codes

+Questions?

+ Four Categories Addressed in SOI

- Condition of the facility
 - $\rightarrow~$ High ground water leading to flooding
 - → Wooden structure w/no sprinkler system
 - → Non-compliant septic operating under variance
 - → Deteriorating/failing window walls
 - → Accessibility issues
 - → Lack of security, uncontrolled site access, difficult traffic circulation
 - → Leaking roof conditions
 - → Obsolescent and under-capacity electrical system/controls
 - → Moisture, mold & ventilation issues
- Energy consumption
 - → Low scores in EPA's Energy Star rating system
 - → Exceeds usage of comparable schools by 25% or more
 - → Town has ambitious energy consumption goals
- Short term enrollment: Generational enrollment fluctuation
- Renovation/replacement in order to provide programs consistent with state and local requirements
 - → Shortage of special education classrooms & tutorial rooms
 - → Lack of cafeteria & insufficient kitchen area
 - → Few teacher planning spaces
 - → Poorly organized & located administrative areas
 - → Inadequate art, music spaces
 - \rightarrow Insufficient support and storage areas





