



BROOKFIELD BROADCAST

"Create Your Tomorrow"

Brookfield Public Schools Newsletter

December 2019

INNOVATIONS & LEARNING

BHS College & Career

Representatives from over 100 colleges and universities have visited BHS this fall to meet with students and share information about their programs. Students are strongly encouraged to attend these meetings to learn about these various institutions, ask questions, and demonstrate interest. On October 24th the college experience continued. A group



of juniors and seniors were accompanied by BHS counselors for a tour of the University of Connecticut. They attended a presentation by the Office of Undergraduate Admissions and enjoyed lunch in the Student Union alongside UCONN students. It was a truly enjoyable experience and a great way to learn about Connecticut's flagship university!

Word of the Week: WOW!

Word of the Week (WOW!) is designed to help our students develop an appreciation and awareness of language. WOW! Will help our students to develop "word consciousness" and become "Word Wizards."

Each week, a WOW! will be introduced in school, online, and in the community. Community partners will receive a vocabulary page to post in their place of business. Students will be challenged to find the WOW! beyond our schools—in books, conversations, radio, the internet, stores, restaurants—wherever they are! Students will be encouraged to use WOW! in speaking and writing in school, at home, and in the community. As Word Wizards,

IMPORTANT DATES

12.18.19 • BOE Meeting @ 7pm

Holiday Recess

December 23, 2019 - January 1, 2020

NEWS WITH NUMBERS

Healthy School Start Time Surveys

746 Parent surveys completed

278 Faculty and staff surveys completed

604 Grades 7-12 surveys completed

our students are invited to report their "findings" and "discoveries" of the WOW! program to their teachers, parents and our community partners.

BOARD OF EDUCATION UPDATES

Strategic Planning

The Board of Education held two retreats (August 21 and October 23) in collaboration with administration. During these retreats, Dr. Barile delivered updates on the majority of district goals completed, two years ahead of schedule, and led an initial discussion on the vision for the Profile of the Brookfield Public Schools Graduate. An update to the 4 C's of our 21st Century Skills includes students becoming:

- Critical & Creative Thinkers
- Communicators
- Collaborators
- Changemakers

The Board and administration look forward to engaging the public in the process of revitalizing the Strategic Plan and the vision of the Profile of the Graduate beginning in the spring of 2020.

New Board Members

Welcome to our new Board of Education members Amy Foster and Michael Murphy. We are excited for them to join Bob Belden, Debbie Brooks, Rosa Fernandes, Joy Greenstein, and Jen Laden.

Dr. Barile's 20-21 Budget Proposal

Dr. Barile's proposal presentation can be viewed by visiting www.bit.ly/20-21proposal.

NEW SCHOOL PROJECT UPDATE

Dr. Barile has facilitated multiple meetings with Tecton Architects, and our elementary classroom, special education, unified arts, media specialists, administration, nurses and maintenance staff to deeply collaborate on the needs of our students and instructional program in alignment with the new school design. Health/Physical Education/Athletics

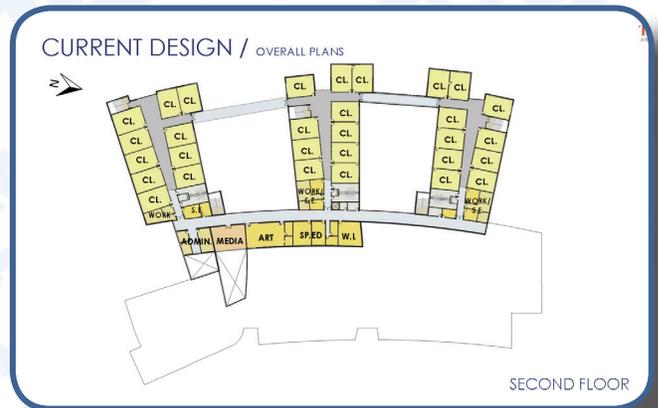
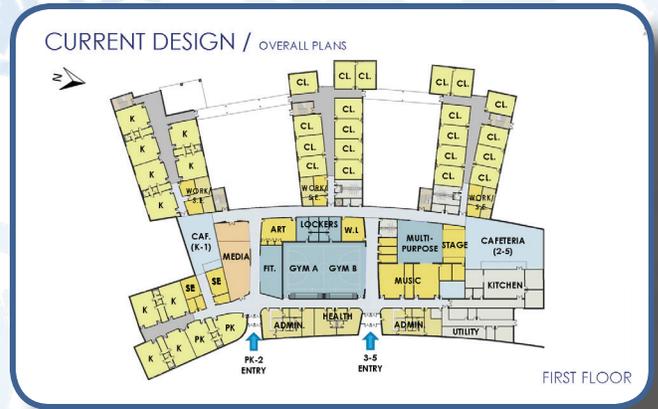


teachers, Visual & Performing Arts teachers, and designated teacher leaders have also provided tremendous input to the Design Development Process.



The BOE and MBC have held three, well attended, public forums to discuss the evolution of the Design Development Process. Topics addressed included: enrollment projections, energy efficiency, security, school start times, traffic, project budget and the possible development of Nabby Road for ball fields. Tecton Architects presented an updated PowerPoint at each forum.

Visit the New School Project website for the updated timeline and Tecton Architects PowerPoint presentations at www.newschoolproject.brookfieldps.org.



“Brookfield’s Best” COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

CABE COMMUNICATION AWARDS

We are once again being recognized by CABE for Excellence in Communication as winners of the Bonnie B. Carney Award of Excellence for Educational Communications in the following categories:

- Special Project - BOE New School Project Video
- Website Design - New School Project Website

We also received Honorable Mention in the categories of Social Media, Going Green, and the Newsletter!



BROOKFIELD EDUCATION FOUNDATION GALA

Congratulations to the Brookfield Education Gala Committee — 2019 was another banner year!

