Mission and Goal of District 32 Facilities Committee

The Facilities Committee has been appointed by the Board of Education with the understanding that the quality of the District’s instructional program is greatly impacted by the environment in which it functions.

The goal of the Facilities Committee will be to assist the Board of Education in providing a plan to ensure that all students are educated in appropriate facilities that are well-maintained and meet the most stringent safety standards, and which support the highest level of educational programs.

The Facilities Committee will explore all means available of achieving that goal, recognizing that capital outlay funds are limited and that it must establish priorities for any expansion or building plans by first increasing the efficient use of existing space.

The Facilities Committee will provide timely reports to the Board of Education as to its research and planning.

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While our mission is to study the conditions and space demands of District 32 facilities, the Facilities Committee is focused on our children: We want to create the very best learning and growing environment for the children of Perry County.

This isn’t an issue affecting only the children enrolled here: District 32 proudly serves both parochial and home schooled students, too! Our commitment to ALL of our community’s children extends beyond what is required of us: We transport children to our campus every day of the school year to receive special services and enrichment programs, and homeschooled students join us for library time, art, PE and more. Our Career Center serves St. Vincent and Saxony students alongside Perryville High School students, as well as those from Ste. Genevieve, Valle and Meadow Heights.

Inside this brochure, you’ll find a list of concerns for each of the student buildings on our campus. It was these concerns that prompted parents to ask the Board of Education to form the Facilities Committee.

Since November 2015, we’ve been meeting to identify how these concerns are affecting student achievement at District 32, hear how other schools have solved similar problems, and form recommendations for the Board of Education about how to best address these concerns.

We’d love for you to join us!
Meeting agendas & minutes can be found at http://www.perryville.k12.mo.us/Page/5057

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Areas of Concern at District 32 Facilities

Perryville High School
- Student population spread over three buildings (High School, Old Senior High, and Old Ag/Vocational Building) and students must walk a long distance to Career & Technology Center
- Aging structures with associated problems
- Restrooms are not adequate for student traffic
- Old Senior High building is in need of electrical, HVAC, and structural updates, and has asbestos. It has no security system
- Performing Arts Auditorium is not suited to today’s productions
- Some sports practices and activities must be held off campus
- Football stadium bleachers are not adequate for game attendance, and are not accessible
- Locker room areas are too small and poorly ventilated
- Lobby design does not make it a secure entry. Once in the front door, intruder has access to classrooms and offices

Early Childhood Center
- Building/roof stability
- Safety in tornado/earthquake/intruder
- Parking lot needs repaired and improved traffic flow
- Significant plumbing issues
- No heat in hallways or bathrooms
- Damages from leaks/plumbing issues (Hole in closet floor plugged with a cork)

Perry County Middle School
- Middle school spread out over 4 buildings - “barn,” main building, annex, and even the high school (band/music and ISS). Traffic patterns grant intruder access
- Restrooms are not adequate for student traffic; seventh grade boys have no restroom in their pod
- Special education classrooms are sharing space, and four PE teachers are sharing one office and one gym, resulting in 2 or 3 classes in session in the same space at the same time. This limits effectiveness of instruction
- Weather safety - rain, storms affecting students moving from building to building, and the fifth grade building is not secure in severe storms
- Facility is in need of repairs: Many leaks in all buildings with patching going on constantly, and the building is drafty and insulation is poor
- Mildew and mold are a possible concern
- Lobby design does not make it a secure entry. Once in the front door, intruder has access to classrooms and offices

Campus-wide
- Roofs and HVAC are outdated and in need of repair
- Critical parking shortage at high school and elementary
- Student traffic between buildings is security issue
- Traffic flow on campus is not optimized
- Campus streets used as thruways for city traffic
- Lack of directional signs on streets, and buildings not properly marked with “Welcome – Enter Here”
- No visitor parking near entrance of most buildings
- Existing parking/pavements need repaired

Perryville Elementary School
- Lunches are served from 10:30 am to 1:15 pm, with each child having a 20-minute lunch period, and three classrooms cycling through the lunchroom every 5 minutes
- Students no longer have access to computer labs, which are now being used for classrooms
- Services like art, Title 1 reading intervention and gifted education are no longer provided in their own classroom areas
- Music program has been located in trailers for 15 years
- Restroom facilities are outdated, and too small
- Mildew and mold are a possible concern
- Lobby design does not make it a secure entry. Once in the front door, intruder has access to classrooms and offices

Career Center
- Public Address (P.A.) System for all buildings
- Additional outside security cameras
- Paved parking lot – north parking lot
- Relocate Digital Media program to Career Center Complex – currently in Old Senior High Annex
- Resurfacing of front entrance area due to safety concerns – extremely “slick” or unsafe during inclement weather

The Facilities Committee has identified these areas of concerns with input from teachers, administrators, support staff and parents. Please note that additional concerns may be identified as the committee continues its work.