

# Berkeley District 87

## **Engagement Sessions**



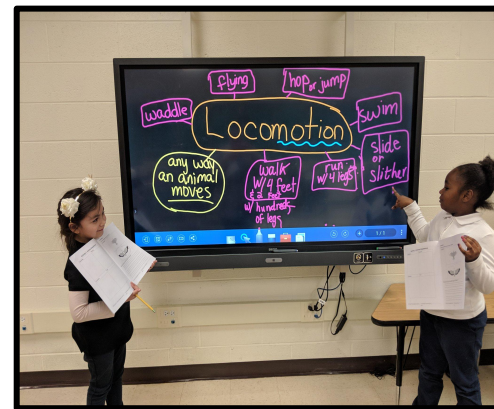
**Working together, we've  
made tremendous  
improvements in our district  
as we strive to provide all our  
students a quality education.**



## District Improvements

- STEM Curriculum and Other Classes to Teach All Our Students 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills
- Full-Day Kindergarten
- Expanded Pre-K Program
- Upgraded Our Technology
- Provided New Interactive Displays and Chromebooks to Students
- Grade Level Centers Has Allowed Us to Reduce Average Class Sizes Across the District
- Provided Free Breakfast and Lunch to All Students

## Providing All Our Students with a Quality Education



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## District Improvements

- Provided Wi-Fi Hotspots at No Cost to Families
- Invested in Security
- Provided Safe Transportation for Our Students to and From School
- Rebuilt Our Special Education Program
- Improved Programs and Significantly Lowered Costs
- Hired Additional Specialized, Experienced Teachers and Support Staff



## These Improvements Increased Student Achievement

### Increased Student Achievement

- Student Assessment Scores Increased and Are Anticipated to Keep Climbing
- Tripled the Number of English Learners Reaching English Proficiency
- Significant Development in Social, Emotional, and Physical Health of Our Students



**Our fiscal responsibility  
benefits the families  
and taxpayers of  
District 87.**



## Wise & Careful Fiscal Management

- Spending
- Prioritizing
- Cut Spending
- Verification
- Balanced Budget
- Fund Balance
- Financial Ratings



34 Consecutive Years - ASBO  
Excellence in Financial Reporting

# **Our Fiscal Responsibility Benefits the Families & Taxpayers of District 87.**

- Only 53% of Our Funding Comes From Local Taxpayers
- 47% Comes From State and Federal Sources
- Diligently Pursue Grants to Reduce Reliance on Local Taxpayers
- Reduced Reliance on Local Taxpayers by 8% in the Past Two Years
- Reduced Costs for Parents
- Kept Registration, Band, and Athletic Fees Flat





**We Are Doing the Most We Can With  
Our Limited Resources.**

**However, We Are at the Breaking  
Point—We Cannot Do More Without  
Additional Resources.**

# Current Challenges

- Aging Infrastructure
- Four Oldest Schools Facing Significant Facility Needs
- Overcrowding and Inadequate Spaces
- Significant Life Safety and Security Improvements Necessary
- Ensuring Safety of Our Students



# Current Challenges

- Traffic Flow Significant Headache for Parents and Students
- 33% of Our Students Are English Learners
- 18% Have an Individualized Education Program (IEP)
- Accessibility and Personalized Support
- Ensure Equal Access to Programming, Resources, and Facilities



**With how much we  
have already  
accomplished together,  
we know we can meet  
this challenge.**



## Community Driven

Working directly with hundreds of parents, teachers, staff, and community leaders since last year, **we have collaborated on a path forward.**

This community-driven process has resulted in a consensus plan for the future of District 87.



# Consensus D87 Plan: **New Building to House Both Sunnyside and MacArthur Side-By-Side; Renovate & Expand Riley and Northlake; Improvements at All Schools**

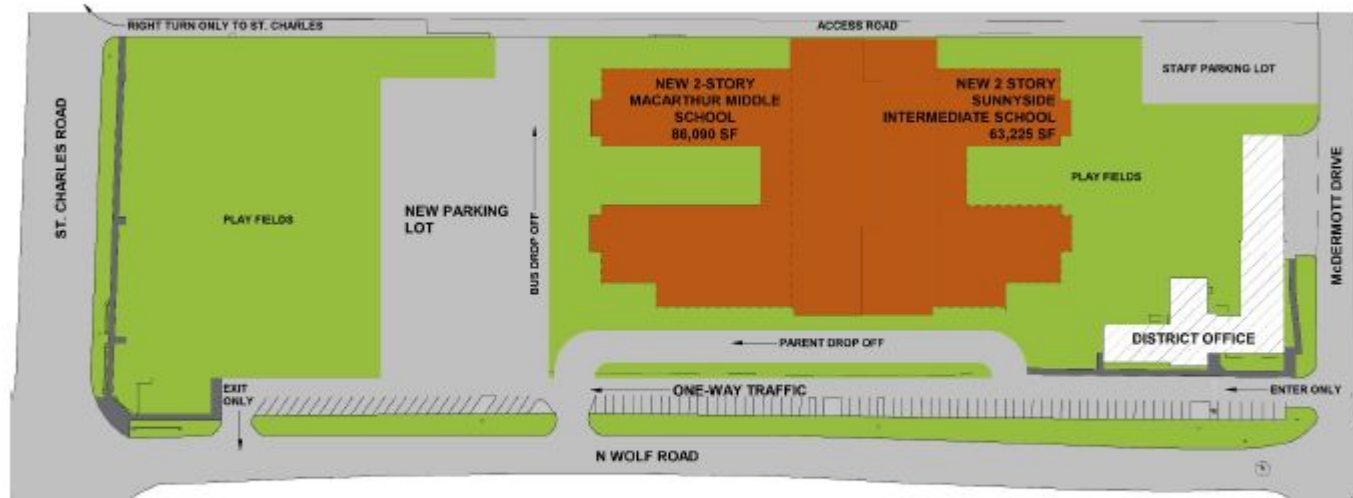
## Addresses:

- Learning Environments
- Maintaining Smaller Class Sizes
- Security Upgrades
- STEM Labs
- Infrastructure & Life Safety
- 21st Century Learning
- Traffic Flow & Safety
- Capacity & Safety
- ADA Accessibility
- Library Media Centers

**Estimated Cost:** \$105 million

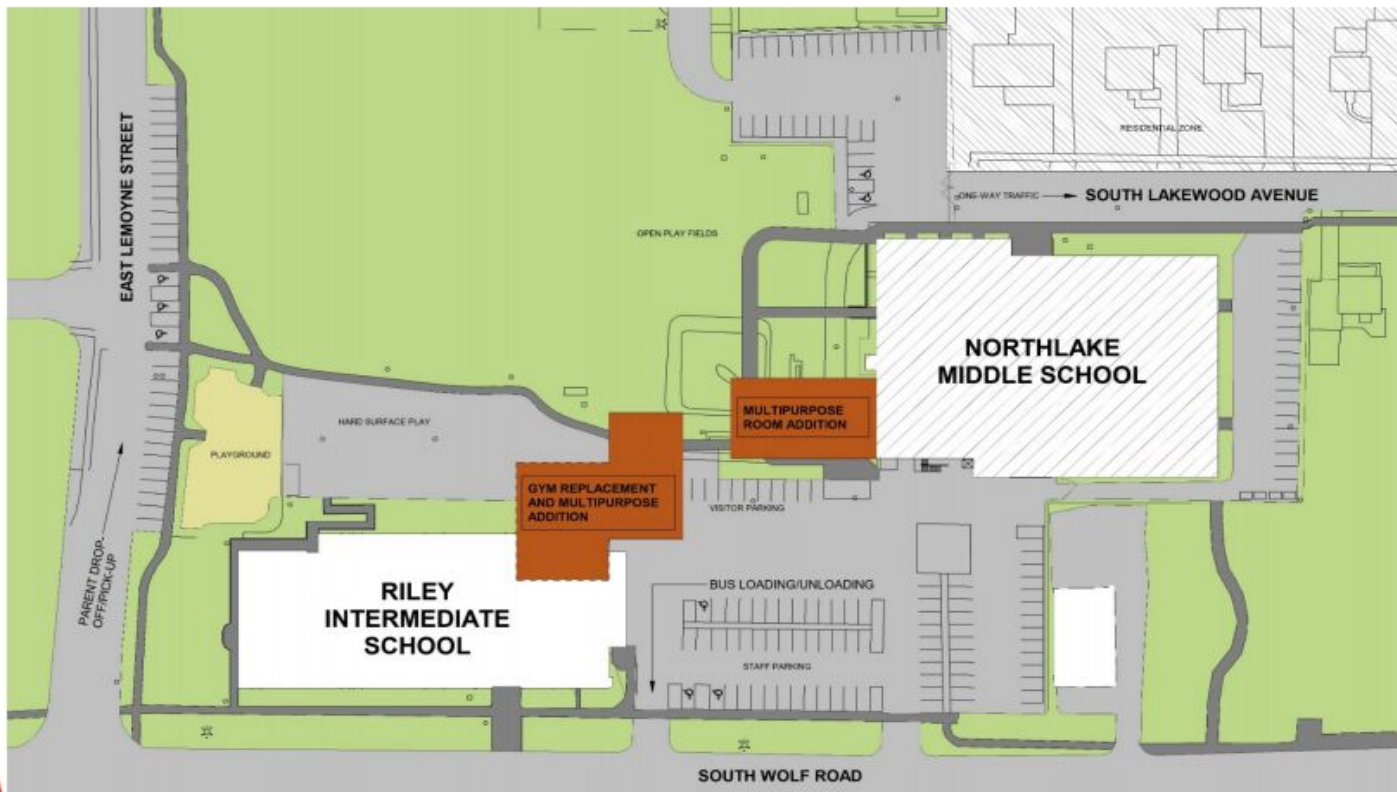
**Average Tax Impact:** \$558/year

# MacArthur Middle and Sunnyside (Site)





# Northlake Middle and Riley (Site)





# Jefferson (Site)



## Learning Environments

### Improvements:

- Improved Educational Environments
- Renovated Classrooms, Corridors,  
and Small Group Spaces



## Maintaining Smaller Class Sizes

### Improvements:

- More Individual Attention
- Personalized Instruction for Students



## Security Upgrades

### Improvements:

- Safer Environment for Students and Teachers
- More Secure Entrances



## STEM LABS

### Improvements:

- Dedicated Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) Instructional Space
- Enhanced STEM Curriculum



## Infrastructure & Life Safety

### Improvements:

- Investments in Mechanical Systems, Electrical, Plumbing, Doors, Roofs, Energy Efficiency
- Asbestos Abatement and Long-Term Operational Savings



## 21st Century Learning

### Improvements:

- Increased Student Achievement
- Enhanced Curriculum
- Access to Technology and Improved Furniture



## Traffic Flow & Safety

### Improvements:

- Safer and More Efficient Traffic Flow
- New Parking Lots and Drop off Zones





## Capacity & Safety

### Improvements:

- Larger, Safer, and More Accessible Gyms and Cafeterias
- Relocation to Allow for the Creation of Secure School Entrances



## ADA Accessibility

### Improvements:

- Compliance With the Law
- Increased Accessibility for Those With Special Needs



## Library Media Centers

### Improvements:

- Modernized and Expanded Libraries
- Increased Access to Technology, Books, and Multimedia Resources
- Collaborative Spaces



## **Approximate Funding Amount: \$105 million**

**Jefferson Primary School: ~\$4 million**

**Whittier Primary School: ~\$2million**

**Riley Intermediate School: ~\$15 million**

**Northlake Middle School: ~\$18 million**

**Sunnyside Intermediate School: ~\$31 million**

**MacArthur Middle School: ~\$41 million**

# **Thank you for being part of this community-driven collaboration!**

Please continue to stay involved in this important process.

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