

BUILDING TOUR FEEDBACK

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BURBANK EARLY CHILDHOOD SCHOOL COMMENTS

None.

BARRINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMMENTS

What are your general impressions of the physical state of this facility following the tour?

- Overall the school was clean and inviting – the custodians have worked hard. One ceiling leak that very morning had discolored some ceiling tiles near the cafeteria. HVAC seems solid, although there is discrepancy between floors in temperature level.

What are your general impressions of the quality of the learning spaces for students?

- The classrooms seem adequate, although some parents questioned whether they were big enough to house all the students. Some concern was raised over collaborative space for students.

What other information would help you understand this process better?

- How mechanically sound are the HVAC, plumbing, roofs?

GREENSVIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMMENTS

None.

TREMONT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMMENTS

None.

WICKLIFFE PROGRESSIVE SCHOOL COMMENTS

None.

WINDERMERE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMMENTS

None.

HASTINGS MIDDLE SCHOOL COMMENTS

None.

JONES MIDDLE SCHOOL COMMENTS

What are your general impressions of the physical state of this facility following the tour?

- Very clean, bright, welcoming & kudos to custodians! Frustrating issues with leaky roofs, buckling floors. Eye-opening to hear of athletic space / practice due to lack of gymnasium space.

What are your general impressions of the quality of the learning spaces for students?

- The classrooms look clean, bright, positive, inviting – cheerful spaces to learn. Good move to laptops – provides more flexibility with instruction & collaborative space. Do the classrooms give students & teachers enough room?

What other information would help you understand this process better?

- What options exist for relocating district office? Describe interplay between City of UA & UACS – needed cooperation, etc.

UPPER ARLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL COMMENTS

What are your general impressions of the physical state of this facility following the tour?

- I believe it needs renovating.
- Same as 1968 but more space.
- Impressive – still in good condition. Water in the basement I didn't know about it before.
- Remediate all moldy areas! NOW – students and staff with mold allergies need you to act now. OSHA requires you to act. Not clean – the school was physically cleaner when I was a student in 78-81. I don't understand the torn furniture and dirty lockers. all Is your foundation secure where you have standing water in basement below auditorium? Has that assessment been done?
- I didn't see the basement. Some areas are in good shape, while some are in obvious need of maintenance and/or repair. The roof looks like it needs repair followed by maintenance, especially where ceiling shows water damage.
- I think the school is making the best of a worn out, outdated building. I saw a lot of things that were worn out, way past their prime and/or outdated. I think a lesser staff would have given up on the building. Great job at keeping the building up, but your time is better spent educating our kids.
- Clean ... well maintained. Generally outdated and in need of renovation.
- Overall the building is functioning but not really meeting the needs of its users. The numerous repairs & upgrades over the years are simply bandaids.
- A large building which looks good to me. I would like to have such clean, shiny floors in my home!! So many different classrooms for so many different choices of study. While boilers may look old I have in my 52 yr. old home a 52 year old gas furnace with a pilot light. It has been dependable and I plan to keep it.
- Barely workable. Large enough, mostly. Hate fluorescent lights and no windows in classrooms. (Note: Jones much better). Hate off-campus lunch policy!!
- Very few 'renovated' classrooms – maybe 12? Since 1989-92. I say rebuild! Principal did a great job on the tour – maybe too good! Need to 'sell' the needs.
- The mechanicals need replacement. They look like they are very antiquated. The classrooms appear to be in pretty good shape.
- Fair – seems like there is a lot of updating and improvements are needed – from heating a/c – groundwater seepage. Bldg is clean – organized – reclaimed space - well done.
- A. Aging mechanical infrastructure demands attention. B. electrical system requires upgrade / modernization to accommodate increased demand, i.e., desktops, laptops, tablets, etc. require more outlets. Each student "station" may require an electrical outlet and/or USB port for charging.
- Some great spaces and some not so great. The heating, cooling, electric & plumbing needs a lot of work.
- Some areas obviously need work, but other areas seem to be in good shape.
- Behind the scenes not so good, the rest OK.

What are your general impressions of the quality of the learning spaces for students?

- There are wonderful learning spaces. I know they can be improved upon since STM is big in learning right now but arts & manufacturing as woodworking and metal are important also.
- Good.
- Better than what was here in 75.
- Modern classrooms are good – Could get new modular furniture in some old classrooms. Teachers need new, clean modern workspace – modern desks with better storage.
- The remodeled areas look pretty good. The older areas definitely look like they could use updating.
- Despite the antiquated, cobbled-together learning spaces, our kids excel. They deserve better and who knows what they could achieve with a modern facility.
- Some good and current; most not.
- Very uninspiring: lack of space and natural light, lack of technology. But I'm pleased with the variety of arts, athletics and academics offered.
- Very good. Seems more than adequate to me. I sure wish I had been able to attend a grand, impressive school such as this but the school I graduated from is no longer there. It was built out of stone and could have lasted forever but they didn't want it to last that long.
- Outdated. Not supportive of computer use, outlets, collaboration, feeling uncrowded. Not supportive for students with sound, light sensitivity.
- Needs improvement – LOTS. Clean but always is and has been.
- Learning spaces seem adequate for the present but change is inevitable for the future.
- Need to meet new technological needs. Need more outlets – rooms seem small. Glad to see strength of arts programs!
- Serviceable but does not meet technology needs, especially electrical needs.
- Most are very good, but classrooms should have windows.
- Appears to be adequate in many areas but clearly some areas could be better.
- Some are too small; lighting needs to be improved.

What other information would help you understand this process better?

- What options exist for relocating district office? Describe interplay between City of UA & UACS – needed cooperation, etc.
- I am convinced.
- What is the max # in building today? In past? What is measurably changed?
- I am not sure. Information / communication is always a debate. Note: Thank you for the opportunity to tour my old high school. I wish I knew more schools were open for the tour.
- Need more areas where students can meet with teachers for extra help – library is a good start. I would like to tour more schools – a family could only see 2 schools in one night. Have more “open house tours.” Seeing helps to build understanding of school needs which would help your levy campaign. Community will want you to distinguish wants from needs – you need to fix roofs, leaks.
- The upkeep, updating and maintenance schedule (if there is one) would be beneficial along with the cost.
- Having existing users of the facility prioritize where the needs are greatest for improvement.
- Just keep the community posted and informed as things progress. Keep having these open houses and meetings so people can ease into the idea of spending so much money.
- Can think of nothing. My 52 yr. old home, my 60 year old dryer (Frigidaire) are doing fine. My 25 yr. old car, historic by now, needs a few repairs now and then but we are still rolling along together!
- Plan for windows + no fluorescent lighting and “Internet off” button for each classroom and larger auditorium and much better cafeteria. Also sensory break room for small groups (like a little nook between 2 rooms). Need quiet place for testing for IEPs.
- I'd like to tour Jones – we did not have time.
- What do we expect the optimum learning environment to be in the next 10-20 years?
- I really think a new high school would be most efficient – (use this building for new community center for the city / senior center). Still would be costly. Would need to know plans.
- Would like to see development options and costs, i.e., do everything (i.e., each school) at once, phased implementation. ‘Do everything’ is broad and covers the gamut of repair / repair-
renovate / add-on / replace. The impact of proposals on school taxes likely will be a key factor in what is viable. Retirees may be hard pressed to accept substantial tax hike. Also, need to look at

what the City of UA will do that may raise city taxes. (But you've probably taken this into consideration.)

- Keep flow of information online coming as this has been helpful.
- If levy fails, where is the money coming from for future repairs?