

February 19, 2021

Dear Mann Families,

During the February 17th Board of Education meeting, the recommended Facilities Master Plan (FMP) was presented to the board. As D11 school community members, it is important that you are informed of the recent recommendations. The Facilities Master Plan that was presented contains the following recommendations for Colorado Springs School District 11:

- Priority improvement recommendations for 31 schools
- Rebuild and renovate 15 schools
- Provide Career and Technical Education (CTE) renovations at all five high schools
- Renovate high school auditoriums
- Replace middle and high school tracks
- **Repurpose seven school sites** (Buena Vista, Edison, Galileo, Henry, Mann, Queen Palmer, and West Elementary)

What does this mean for Mann Middle School and our community?

Mann Middle School is one of the seven schools being recommended for repurposing. Repurposing in this case is defined as closing the school and utilizing the building or land for other purposes. By repurposing Mann Middle School, there will no longer be a community middle school in our neighborhood. Students would be bused to a new school at a location still to be determined. While it is estimated that the implementation of the first phases of the FMP is a 3-5-year process, it is important that all school community members impacted are aware of the discussions being held at the district level.

What can you do to learn more and provide feedback?

The District will conduct four more community outreach meetings, broken into geographic quadrants, which will be open to all School District 11 residents, families, and staff members. These meetings will provide you with the information you need to understand the impact of these decisions and have an opportunity to provide feedback. The Board of Education is actively seeking and values your feedback. These virtual meetings will take place on the following dates using the corresponding links:

- **Doherty High School Feeder Schools Community Engagement Session**—Monday, February 22, 2021, 4 p.m.: <https://cssd11.webex.com/cssd11/j.php?MTID=m6851f32e1ce7683873ad7e6f9f6af732>
- **Coronado High School Feeder Schools Community Engagement Session**—Monday, February 22, 2021, 6:30 p.m.: <https://cssd11.webex.com/cssd11/j.php?MTID=m6851f32e1ce7683873ad7e6f9f6af732>
- **Mitchell High School Feeder Schools Community Engagement Session**—Tuesday, February 23, 2021, 4 p.m.: <https://cssd11.webex.com/cssd11/j.php?MTID=me786bf54932424f929c14ec3e5bf6227>
- **Palmer High School Feeder Schools Community Engagement Session**—Tuesday, February 23, 2021, 6:30 p.m.: <https://cssd11.webex.com/cssd11/j.php?MTID=m4d6a0df3311b4869c7d7ece69c1dc419>

Please take time to learn about the Facilities Master Plan and how the implementation will impact your neighborhood school community and your student's education. **You may attend any of the scheduled sessions to gain information and provide feedback.** The links for the community engagement meetings will be on the Mann Middle School Website by Monday afternoon.

Sincerely,

Leah Segura
Mann Middle School Principal