

Jefferson High School Modernization

Community Information Session



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April 9, 2025

Agenda

- Welcome from Principal Shelton
- Remarks from Dr. Armstrong
- Modernization Update
- Modernization Schedule
- Engagement Schedule
- Feedback/Questions





Welcome

Principal Shelton, Jefferson High School



Dr. Kimberlee Armstrong

Superintendent





Modernization Update



BoE Framework Directives

**Adjust Building Area to 295,000 Square Feet
-15,000 Square Feet*

Teen Parent Center

Based on current feedback from PPS District Leadership, there is a demonstrated need for the Teen Parent Center at Jefferson HS and it is currently included in the project. To reduce costs it will be incorporated into the main building.

Health Center

JHS has an existing Health Center. The project maintains the size according to HS Ed Specs and keeps that space within the main building.

Commitment to PPS Climate Policy - All Electric Infrastructure

The project maintains a commitment to all electric infrastructure and the design team is only studying building system options that maintain this standard.

Alternatives to LEED Gold Certification

The project will seek sustainable solutions that are practical, maintainable and cost effective

Additional Options / Trade-Offs to Save Cost or Square Footage

The project team is studying cost efficient solutions for the following:

- Mechanical systems
- Structural options & constructability
- Building material selections

Building Size Comparison

Ed Spec Minimum

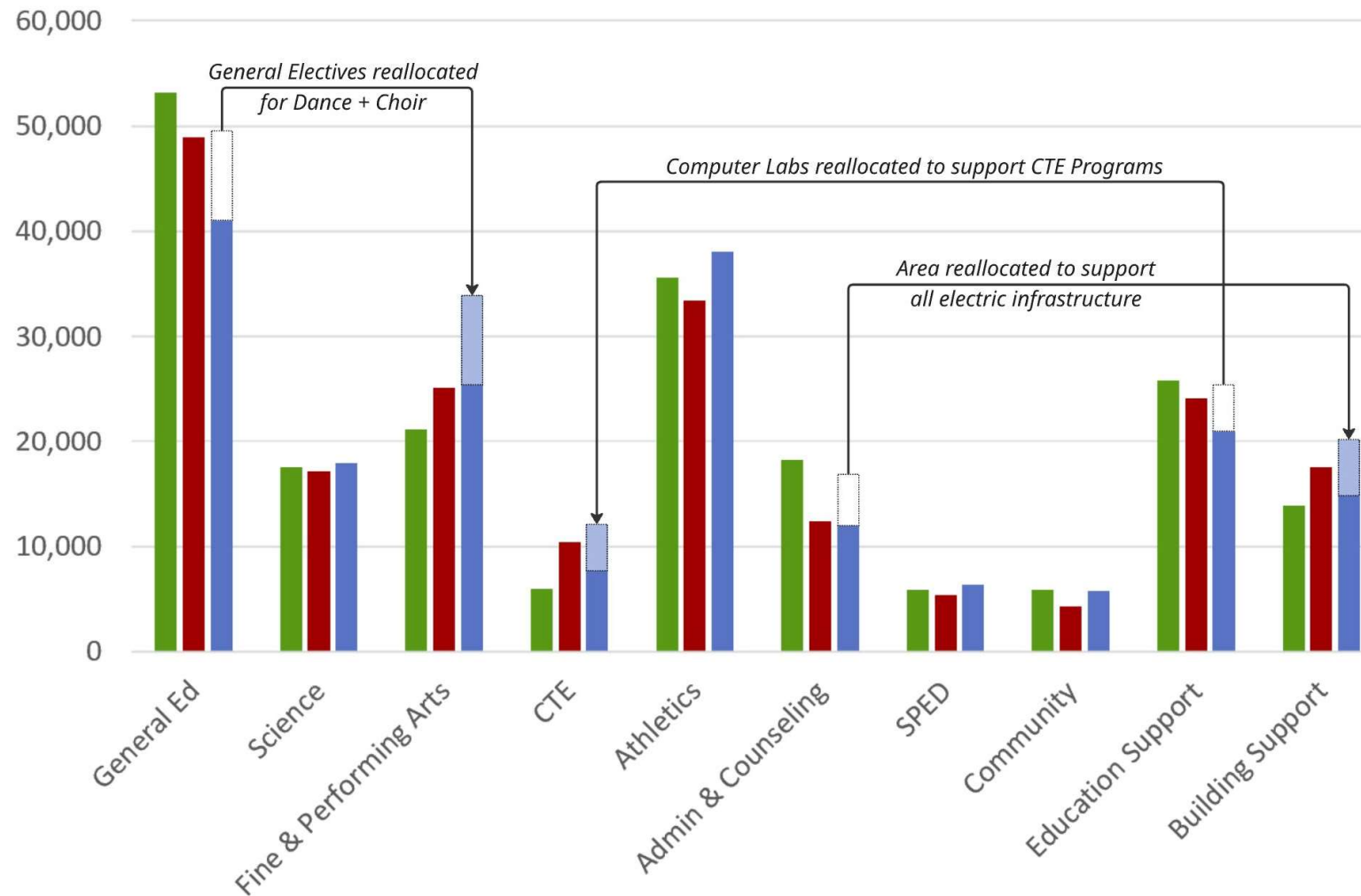
Building Area
281,098 GSF

Lincoln High School

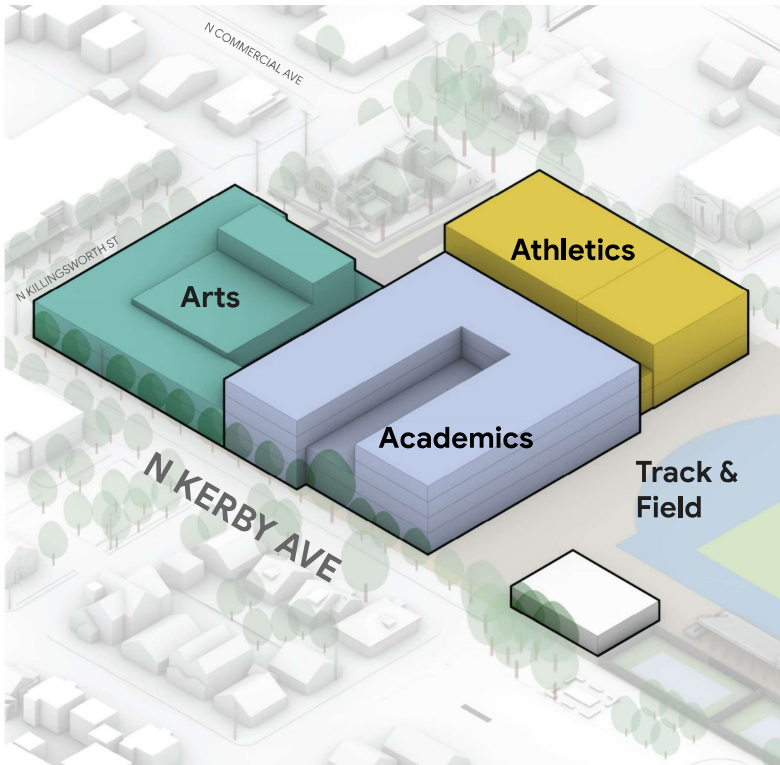
Building Area
295,749 GSF

Jefferson High School Cost Reduction Study

Building Area
295,716 GSF



Current Design Strategy

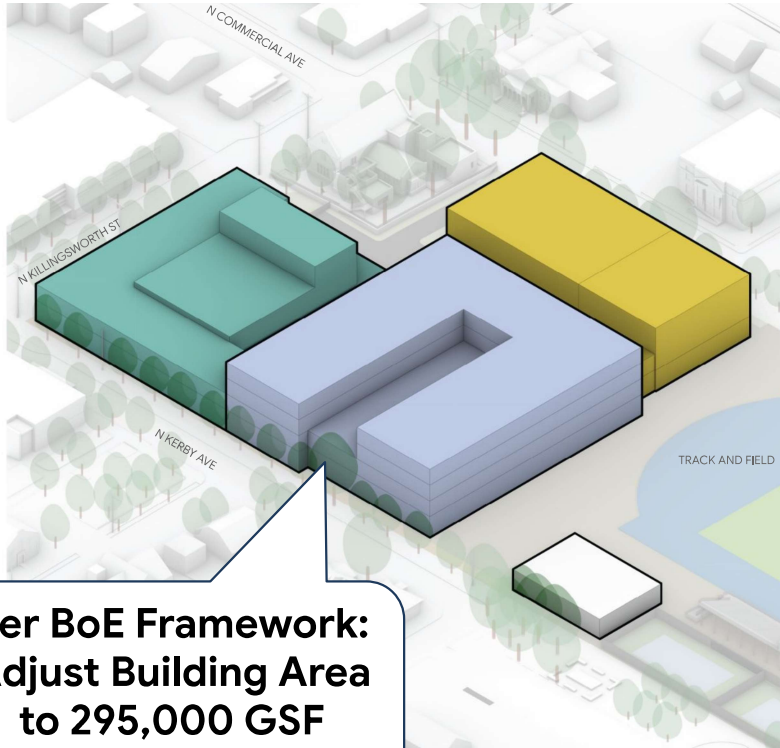


Project will maintain:

- Students will stay on-site during construction
- 1700 student capacity
- Building stays on the North
- Main entry stays on Kerby
- Athletic Fields remain as designed
- Athletics/Gyms next to fields on Commercial
- Activating Killingsworth
- Crossblock connection required
- Alignment with community priorities

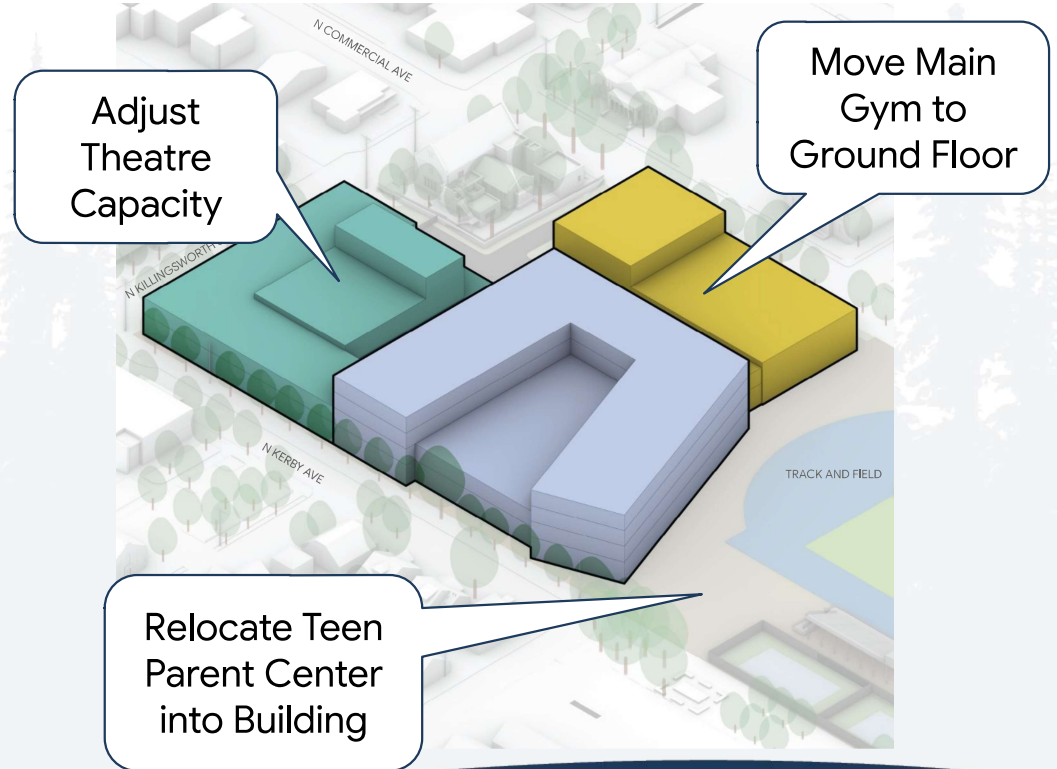
Building Design: Update

Previous Design



Per BoE Framework:
Adjust Building Area
to 295,000 GSF
-15,000 GSF

Updated Design



ACADEMICS



PERFORMING ARTS



ATHLETICS



Cost Reductions Update

Draft Cost Summary

JHS Modernization Budget

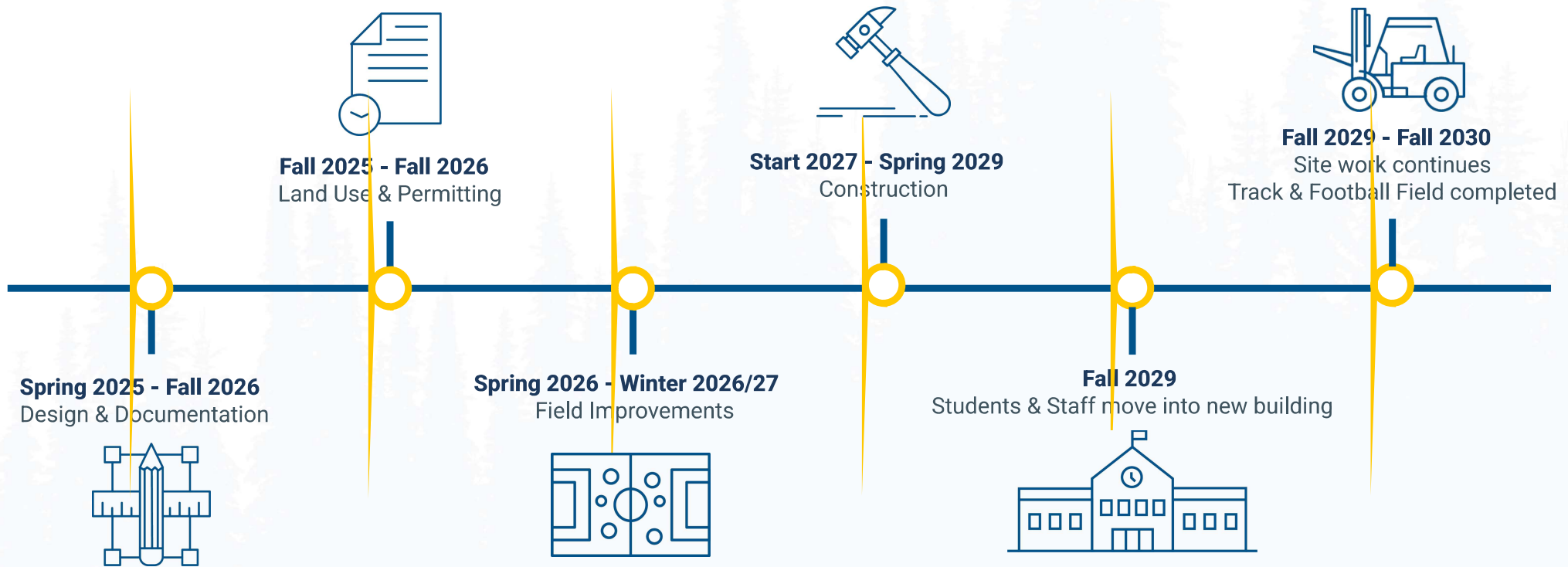
COMPONENT	2022 BOE Approved Comprehensive Plan	2023 BOE Approved Comprehensive Plan	2025 Cost Reduction Summary Budget Range	
			LOW	HIGH
Total Project Budget	\$366,000,000	\$490,752,797	\$457,500,000	\$465,500,000
Savings Range			\$ (33,252,797)	\$ (25,252,797)



Modernization Schedule



Jefferson Modernization Schedule





Engagement Schedule



Jefferson Engagement Schedule

Community Information Session

- April 9, 2025
- May 7, 2025

Student Demo Design Club

- April 16, 2025

Staff Update

- May 6, 2025 (tentative)

Community Design Workshop

- August 2025

Monthly Emails & Website Updates



Questions?



Jefferson High School Modernization Feedback + Question Form

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Welcome to the Jefferson Modernization Feedback Form

Thank you for taking the time to engage with the Jefferson High School Modernization process. Under the leadership of Superintendent Dr. Kimberlee Armstrong, Portland Public Schools is working to reestablish trust with students, families, staff, and community members through deeper listening, greater transparency, and meaningful follow-through.

This form will remain open throughout the modernization process as an ongoing space for you to share your questions, insights, and priorities — whether or not you've attended a formal session. We will use your feedback to build a living FAQ and return to each engagement opportunity with updates and responses rooted in what we've heard from you.

Our goal is to ensure that the Jefferson community feels seen, heard, and actively involved as we reimagine the future of this historic school together.

To help us better understand who we're hearing from and where we need to deepen our reach, we've included optional demographic questions. These responses are voluntary and will be used to support equitable and inclusive decision-making.

We appreciate your partnership and look forward to building a stronger PPS, together.

<https://forms.gle/EZbaHQUZQfqXBXKE6>

Share Comments with District Leadership



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WE RISE**