

VISIONING TEAM UPDATE

VERONA AREA HIGH SCHOOL

06/01/2017



ACTIVITIES & HIGHLIGHTS

- Team members toured Joplin High School, Olathe West High School, and Blue Valley CAPS (Center for Advanced Professional Studies). Tours of schools in our state and region continue as we investigate and define design priorities.
- We are learning about best practices from progressive workplace environments too. We will tour Epic and WTS Paradigm (Middleton) on June 20.
- Student survey and workshops conducted in May provided important feedback on student experience and informed the Guiding Principles (link below) for design of the new high school.

STAFF INPUT

As the Visioning Design Team delves into the impact of space on teaching and learning, we encourage you to share your questions and suggestions.

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VISIONING SESSION #2 SUMMARY

In our second visioning session we reviewed five [GUIDING PRINCIPLES](#) (link below) that summarize our goals for the new high school. These principles were built from the engagement activity in the first Visioning Session (word/image exercise) and the feedback from student engagement and staff input. These statements will serve as a framework to evaluate designs.

A presentation of slides provided a visual recap of the [SCHOOL TOURS](#) (link below). Our discussions focused on aspects of the school's layout, amenities, and interior design. We are identifying qualities that we want to incorporate, improve on, or avoid. This led into the exercise of "Stop. Start. Continue." and a dialogue about our current teaching preferences, spaces, and our vision for the future. Staff feedback is an important part of our ongoing conversations - *keep it coming!*

Finally, we manipulated building components on a physical map of the new high school site, establishing priorities for space assignment and building mass. EUA designers are working on a comprehensive layout that addresses our needs and provides flexibility. A few of our ideas include:

- Dedicated entry points, with main entry on the north side of the site
- Learning studios grouped by core content with adjacency to similar subjects
- Science classrooms/labs stacked vertically for efficiency
- Library Media Center centrally located

LINKS FOR LEARNING

[Visioning Session #2 Presentation](#) | [School Tour Slides](#) | [Guiding Principles](#)

QUESTIONS? Contact the [VISIONING DESIGN TEAM](#) (click [here](#)) or Kelly Klopping @ kloppik@verona.k12.wi.us

UPCOMING MEETING

Tuesday, June 27, 2017
2:00 - 4:00pm
District Office

