

Master Planning Overview and Update

The 2015 Draft District Master Plan lays out expansion plans for Park City's schools that support our mission of innovation and excellence in public education and a vision to become one of the top 10 school districts in the nation. It takes into consideration the recent growth of the district, projected enrollments, and capacities at each school site.

As a proactive measure, the governing board has been planning for the future and has a capital budget of approximately \$19 Million. First, the total capital improvements are driven by capacity. (See capacity percentages below – capacity is a state statute formula) PCSD has reached capacity in five of the seven district schools. PCSD has experienced a 4% annual growth rate over the last three years and forecasting 2.5% over the next five years. Starting in 2015, Trailside Elementary will add trailers at the site to hold current students and Parley's Park has undergone a summer remodel to assist with exceeding capacity issues. In addition, we continue to receive financial information to repair the structure, sewer, pipes, and soil for Treasure Mountain. To date, the estimated amount to repair Treasure Mountain ranges from \$20-\$22 million with an estimated cost to build a new school is \$25-27 Million.

Capacity Percentages – 90% and above is determined to be at capacity

PCHS - 102.2%

TMJH - 90.4%

EHMS - 84.7

PPES: 97.8

JRES: 87.6%

TSES: 100.6%

MPES: 91.8%

In addition, the plan specifics are driven by our grade realignment, which supports research-based decisions to increase student academic success by minimizing school transitions and providing adequate learning environments to meet programming needs. Link to April 2015 Community Forums regarding grade realignment: <http://www.pcschools.us/index.php?page=335>

Additional athletic-related facilities are also under consideration in the plan, including modifications to expand locker facilities, adding tennis courts, and expanding the current gymnasium, which does not meet the growth of the high school population. The locker rooms are not adequate to meet the current enrollment in sporting events. The gymnasium is outdated with a floor that needs significant repairs.

In an effort to share the current state of the district and building needs, we have held at least 30 public meetings since September with over 400 community

participants, not including the individual staff meetings reaching over 500 employees for a total of over 900 participants.

As the process continues, the board has careful consideration to total cost and tax impact. Fiscal responsibility is a key responsibility that the PCSD Governing Board takes seriously.

How the Draft Master Plan was developed

At the third Master Planning Workshop in late May, students, teachers and various community stakeholders gave feedback on several possible scenarios of how to best develop the Kearns Campus in the years ahead to accommodate growth within the Park City School District. Scheme 3 became the overwhelming choice.

Scheme 3 - Updated proposes the addition of a new wing on the west side of PCHS (in the current location of Dozier Field) for the incoming 9th graders as well specialty classrooms. Additional student/faculty parking is also proposed on the west end. The existing baseball fields (or possibly multipurpose fields) to the east of the High School are proposed to be left in place providing a buffer between PCHS and McPolin. An addition to McPolin Elementary School is proposed to provide capacity equal to the other three elementary schools allowing for dual immersion as well as non-dual immersion teaching models. Playground areas will be enlarged and student drop off/parking areas re-aligned to provide a safe drop-off zone.

The PCSD Learning Center functions will move into the PCHS and the existing Learning Center Building is proposed to be re-purposed, possibly as a Community Center or PCSD Daycare Center (currently at PCHS). The plan also proposes grouping athletic fields, including Dozier field as well as a proposed indoor field house (to serve as PCHS gymnasium) and parking at the west end of the Kearns campus. The District Office is being considered being relocated on the Ecker Hill campus along with a new 5/6th grade elementary school. The existing district office building is proposed to be re-purposed, possibly as a community day care facility. The plan is proposed to be phased over a number of years, with the highest priority improvements (PCHS expansion, 5/6 School at Ecker Hill Campus and McPolin expansion) coming on-line in the fall of 2017.

Upcoming Dates

- July 21st - Draft Master Plan community presentation at PCHS - 6pm
- August 11th - Final Master Plan and detailed cost estimate to school board
- August 18th - School Board Vote on Bond amount
- Nov 2015 - Bond Election
- Summer 2016 - Construction started
- Fall 2017 - Construction completed