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Community design meetings being held for school updates and replacements

Big changes are in store for many of our local schools. Thanks to a bond measure passed by our community in 2015, Fairview, Troutdale and Wilkes elementary schools will be replaced and Reynolds High School will be significantly renovated. All other district schools will receive safety and security updates. "These are very exciting projects that will offer a fresh start for students and faculty," says Superintendent Linda Florence, "Our goal is to create safe, smart, sustainable schools that support students and provide hubs for the whole community."

Now is the time for you to help shape the school updates. Community design workshops are being held throughout spring and early summer for the high school renovations and elementary school replacements. "I encourage all community members to attend a design meeting for their local school. Input from our community will ensure the updated schools meet our needs," says Florence.

Attend these fun, interactive meetings to talk to the architects and share what's important to you in the school designs.

* Reynolds High School renovations: Dozens of people attended the workshops held so far in March and April. If you haven't attended a meeting, please join us at the final community design meeting next week on April 12 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Reynolds High School Multi-Purpose Room.

* Elementary School replacements: Community workshops will shape designs for each elementary school being replaced: Fairview, Troutdale and Wilkes. Draft designs will be presented at an open house for each school. All community members are invited to attend and provide feedback.

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Reynolds High School Community Design Meeting #4 April 12, 2016, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Location: Reynolds High School Multi-Purpose Room 1698 SW Cherry Park Rd, Troutdale

Wilkes Elementary All meetings held 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the School Gym at 17020 NE Wilkes Rd, Portland. * Workshop #1, Initial Ideas: April 5, 2016 * Workshop #2, Further Development: April 19, 2016 * Open House: May 3, 2016

Fairview Elementary
All meetings held 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the School Library at 225 Main St, Fairview.
* Workshop #1, Initial Ideas:
May 9, 2016
* Workshop #2, Further Development:
May 24, 2016
* Open House: June 7, 2016

Troutdale Elementary All meetings held 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the School Library at 648 SE Harlow Ave, Troutdale. * Workshop #1, Initial Ideas: May 17, 2016 * Workshop #2, Further Development: May 31, 2016 * Open House: June 15, 2016

About the Reynolds School District Bond Projects

Over the next three years, the District will design and construct major improvements to our schools, offering a fresh start for students and faculty. This work includes replacing Troutdale, Fairview and Wilkes Elementary Schools; significantly updating and renovating Reynolds High School; and providing safety and security upgrades to all schools. Funding for these projects is provided by a bond measure passed in 2015.

Work is currently underway to design all of the improvements. Some schools improvements will take place this summer. Major construction on the elementary school replacements and high school updates will begin in the winter of 2016-17. All schools should be move-in ready by fall of 2018.

Visit the project website for more information or to sign-up for email updates: <u>www.reynolds.k12.or.us/bondprojects</u>. Information in Spanish is available on the project website.