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Modern technologies and accessibility

The absolute waste of constructing a building for only 2 grades.

Coordination with other school locations, flexibility of space

Other building usage and costs associated. There are a number of other school buildings; can we consolidate to decrease ongoing costs of maintaining multiple buildings? What about the cost associated with any potential abandoned buildings, how does that expense get accounted for?

Grade configuration

I supported the plan that failed. But it's clear that location is the #1 factor for people in town keep the school at Dale St site. If SBC proposes another new school at Wheelock it \*WILL\* lose again -- the neighborhood opposition PLUS w the usual naysayers are too large in number to overcome. I understand the Wheelock site has operational and construction cost efficiencies, but LOCATION is the #1 factor for the people of Medfield. Better to forego state funding and spend the money to keep it at Dale. Don't make the same mistake again the new plan MUST be at Dale St site.

Give the school district the flexibility to build smart with an eye towards the future. I recommend the SBC work with the school committee to communicate its vision for all of the buildings in the district with assumptions about what is likely to happen over the life of this new Dale St replacement school. That view may help the voters understand better why the building should be located in a specific site and/or be of a certain size.

town wells

Flexibility for future Medfield Public School needs (e.g., grade configuration changes); ability to better leverage and share resources among all schools (e.g., guidance counselors)

educational synergies flowing from the campus co-located model for grades 2-5; potential advantage of the campus model for future grade consolidations based on future enrollment needs

Please build a cost-conscious school

Location and state funding

Cost

Plan for what to do with Dale if not renovated needs to be clear as I think that was a sticking point for people that voted no.

Grade configuration (will it allow for flexibility down the line as the towns needed change)

Cost for disposition of Current facilities. Traffic impact.

1-Traffic 2-Cost of old buildings if building new should be factored into cost projections

I'd like to know from the start if the reconfig from our current building format of K-1, 2-3 and 4-5 is still up for discussion. If so, why and if not, why? If there are legitimate reasons for consolidation or move towards a campus setting, now would be the time to think about it.

accessibility by walking or biking as much as possible

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Point 1: "Cost" in the list I took as construction costs. Another "cost" consideration would be building a school that would reduce the school expenses -- thinking here of sharing resources and staff. Point 2: I think viewpoints of the current students would be valued, too, like what is it like to attend Dale?

Time to Complete the Project

Urgency. Medfield needs new school now.

Impact on curriculum

ACCURATE enrollment predictions

Community engagement process

Nice to haves versus too many extras

Educational programs and cost

Teacher student ratio

Timeline

1. Entire community input and impact, not just desires of School Committee and Superintendent. 2. TRANSPARENT PROCESS NOT "TOUGH SHIT TAKE WHAT WE GIVE YOU AND DEAL WITH IT."

Ensuring that we have a plan that will pass and considering addressing the existing deficiencies at Wheelock as well.

1. Impact on other future town projects.

Traffic flow

Use of a balanced approach, incorporating public input into the plan (as opposed to 'listening').

The senior community simply won't back a pricier project, yet the Dale at Dale group assured them that we could have a renovated school at Dale for 35 million dollars.

Structure and rate of new town debt to enable funding

The Elm Street location should be eliminated from consideration. Town water safety, quality, access and sufficiency should be of the highest concern. The Wheelock

Cost and enrollment

If the location ends up being Wheelock, then there MUST be a plan as to what will be done with the existing Dale School. It can't just be an afterthought the town will take care of it afterward

The school structure that is in place now (or in the past) is not necessarily a fit for the future. Giving weight to those who want to replicate the system that they or their children went through in the past should not be put ahead of the desires of educators for a modern system that works for the pupils of today and the future.

Demo/Reno of Existing Dale St if School Built Elsewhere

Input of the educators and other experts at the school

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1. Whatever we do should be done in the context of a strategic vision for our overall school system. 2. The school's design should be driven from formally identified needs, not on a guess about what the taxpayers will "tolerate".

Avoid double sessions, construction next to school

Putting too much of the over-all school properties in the south side of town leading to busing for the north side

More Inclusive school environment for children with special needs.

Should be at current Dale site

Fit and Support from Medfield Teachers/Administration

Ease of faculty and students accessing adjacent school. SHOULD BE NET ZERO

A better plan for the future of the Dale St. building should a new school be built.

Getting the project done quickly.

Safety, net zero environmental impacts if possible, equity

Flexibility to adapt to changes in student population (perhaps change grade configuration as needed), ability to share resources among grades to reduce school operating costs.

Don't build where water will be negatively impacted.

Not substantially raising our taxes. Not allowing a few loud voices that are good at marketing themselves to be the opinion of the town.

1. My primary concern is reducing the transitions between buildings for elementary-age children. The current elementary configuration negatively impacts learning by disrupting continuity of programming. Additionally, these frequent building transitions take a toll on many children and are a negative about the current elementary school structure in the town. I support reconfiguring the grades as a part of the project to reduce the transitions or moving to a campus model with more consistency between buildings. The best approach would be to plan to build a 3-grade school and eliminate one of the elementary buildings with another renovation. Wheelock is due for a renovation and could be expanded (or eliminated after another building is built). This makes the Wheelock site ideal for the new building because the Dale site is not ideal for a three grade school (unless it involved expanding Memorial School). Additionally, the term construction impact is a vague term. I AM concerned about educational impact of a construction project would oppose any proposals that would disrupt the learning environment for students. This would include renovating an existing building while trying to hold school, displacing students/grades into other schools during renovation, etc.

It is best to keep the school at the Dale Street location

Reuse/ or how to deal with any vacated spaces

Traffic impact, access to downtown for the kids

The current state of Dale is unacceptable, so speed of the project is an important

Needs to be a NEW school, not renovated

Please consider renovating Dale St. Great location just update it

More consolidation

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Moving quickly - kids are getting exposed to a toxic environment every day; cost because the penny pinchers in this town are ridiculous

Future use of existing infrastructure

Lifespan of the build being considered & ability to create a campus plan

Location and cost

The importance of maintaining the character of the downtown/uptown area.

Least amount on inconvenience/ negative impact on students currently enrolled in MPS. Not having students in modular classrooms/ disconnected from a school and its' community for potentially several years

Total cost including cost of new and any old buildings and traffic impact

Timing/urgency of new school

Daily School traffic, walkability to downtown for students

Taking into account enrollment projections, do not overbuild but have a design that could be added onto in the future if the population increases

Building safety and security.

1. Timing - the longer this process is drawn out by town politics, the more the town will also need to spend on emergency repairs at Dale. 2. A second failure will be catastrophic for the Medfield elementary school system so the focus should be on the different ways Dale can be rebuilt. Do not try to push Wheelock site again, please (and I voted for Wheelock last time for reference).

Tax increase impact especially with cost of living increase

Adequate outdoor space to accompany the new school so that students can be outside for PE and recess (e.g., recreational field, playground)

Schools should be a top/the top priority in our town

Time frame as my youngest child would attend Dale starting in the 25-26 school year, so if a school was constructed after that, I would be most interested in the tax burden this would bring.

Ability to provide universal preschool for the Town; extracurriculars for students

Speed of fixing or replacing the Dale facility; Modern facility design;

1) How will Dale St School space be updated and used (if not selected as site - even though I believe Dale St site is the correct site to house school), 2) Importance of listening to community and explaining why decisions are made a certain way

Use of existing space

Combined 2-3 and 4-5 campus

Combining schools onto 1 campus for shared resources, economies of scale, and reduced number of transitions for the students.

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Interim plans during construction, facilities to include space to appropriately sustain the arts

less transitions for the kids between schools, parking and drop - off since the current Dale school has limited parking

Knowing the actual amount that our taxes will change would be helpful.

Timeline

Top 2 considerations are facility size and cost and they are inextricably linked together.

Educational programs that we can offer children, facility size given the difficulties faced so far we should consider consolidation of Wheelock and Dale. Perhaps adding to Memorial to allow for 2 buildings for 3 grades.

infrastructure to support technology

Timing to open. The kids have waited long enough.

Impact on other existing facilities in town, how spaces could be repurposed and have a great impact for town use (existing Dale site)

Involvement from all sectors of community in decision/planning process; respect for open spaces and recreational spaces already existing

Teacher input/satisfaction

Walkability

We need a plan that can get passed, which likely means smaller scale so as to have less impact on taxes which I think was the major impediment to getting the older communities support.

1. Do not limit our options by using MSBA funding. The survey response above to this point could be interpreted several ways and I don't think you'll gain clarity on the town's views on this important issue with how this survey solicited a response on the issue. MSBA funding is not important to consider because we shouldn't be in the program, but it is extremely important to consider because we shouldn't be in the program. You need more clarity on this important issue and the town needs to understand more about the pros and cons of this program. We should. It use it. 2. Clear communication, early and often.

Teacher input and Dale at Dale

The PLAN for reuse of Dale Street building if the elementary school was moved. Also, the impact on our open space in historical Elm Street.

Timing (this needs to be done soon.)

Impact on neighbors. realistic school size and what is inside - this is a small town and in my opinion the other school plan was way overboard.

Future cost to build, best environment for learning

Flexibility of spaces (multi-functional) and Resource sharing (K-1 more similar to 2-3 than 4-5)

All covered

That this needs to be done NOW. Dale is falling apart.

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Benefits to the hardworking and devoted teachers.

Why don't we take the opportunity to consolidate schools instead of creating another separate school

Economies of scale ie sharing resources on a central campus;

Effects on rest of the schools (location, busing, etc.), planned use for old site, timeline

Traffic flow and timing to build

What's best for the student body and teacher who will be using the building is what is most important

Timing, something that will actually pass

Traffic impact, grade configurations

New build versus extension of existing Dale. The process last time jumped straight to new build since it would be difficult to extend/expand existing Dale but now we have nothing.

Cost & Location

Clarification of rumors of water contamination issues at Wheelock site, how the Wheelock site would incorporate 2-3 and 4-5 grades.

Special Education Programming

Current Faculty Weigh-In, Educational Efficiencies

Facility size, technological/educational capabilities, sustainability,

Start from the budget and then design the space, don't design first and then get a total cost with only a YES/NO option. Figure out what the town wants to spend and then spend that. Also, the cost to renovate Dale St. (whether a school or something else) MUST be part of the total cost. Not something to "figure out later".

Sustainability considered in design; time to completion; we are set back now and need a new school as soon as possible

Cost and community benefits

Benefit to children; condition of current school at Dale Street

Construction impact and educational programs

Technology abilities in school and access to outdoor space for learning

Avoiding further delays, benefits current and future students and teachers

Least disruption to current students during construction (ie no classes in trailers)

aesthetic appeal and its impact on property values; flexible layout to allow for future changes to education

Traffic impacts and all options should be considered and communicated to the town population as available

Lack of coordination and planning to fully address the impact of abandoning a school property with aging school building in the center of town without a maintenance budget or concrete plan for its future use, refurbishment, or demolition.

Timeliness of project completion

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Pick a plan/design that will get approved. The most important thing is that it passes the vote the next time around. Medfield is in danger of becoming a less desirable community.

Consistency for the children displaced by construction

Speed to completion / new facility use

The building needs to have more classrooms built to accommodate different neurodiverse populations. Not one classroom to dump all of the sped students.

None, most important to focus on strong educational programs in facility appropriately sized for projected enrollment at a cost that doesn't jeopardize educational experience but is fair to town members as a whole.

Town input

That we consolidate our footprint to ensure optimization of school resources as a number one priority

Education programs and cost

Design-the proposed design of the building was horrific. Too much open space, not enough space that can eventually be turned into classrooms. It was not designed to be effective for learning. It was designed to appear new age. I work in a school that was being used as a comparison during the last project cycle. And they are already having problems with the size of the classrooms and need for more space. Do your homework. Transparency. It was abundantly clear that the superintendent wanted Wheelock to be the site, because of future projects and ideas that were never shared. Had you shared those plans with the town, I believe you would have had more support.

a cost analysis of combining wheelock and dale schools into one new school

Timeline - how quickly can the new school come to fruition/be built

A timeline, we need the school as soon as possible to me that too is a 5- extremely important

The existing building is an embarrassment and it's disgraceful that we can't build a better place for our kids to learn.  
BUILD A NEW SCHOOL.

Dale Street staff input

Location and cost

Ability to update technology as it changes over the years. 2) security for students and staff

Safe environment, modern facilities, quickly able to break ground

Timeline for building and planning for students during construction phase

Getting it done soon

Recreational space outside for the kids

Kids and teachers!!!

Timing. We need a new school fast. I don't care where or if it is new or Reno but let's stop debating and do this.

Preserving open, undeveloped lands. Traffic congestion and crowding of school buildings.

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Traffic concerns and additional roads to support new school location

Possible grade realignment, long term plan for all schools

Length of time to opening, Traffic impact

Student safety/active shooter planning

Placing our children in a safe building as soon as possible; having classrooms large enough for today's learning and room to grow within then facility

Class size

It was way too expensive for an elementary school.

Traffic and town planning

Increased traffic issues near/on residential streets. Losing the open space/fields at Wheelock. Dale students not being able to walk to town safely.

time to complete the project

My children will be entering 2nd and kindergartner in September. I was hoping they would be able to benefit and not have to attend school in a rundown building considering how much we pay to live here.

I'm hearing many people want to see a plan for Dale St. if new school built on different site.

We absolutely need a school. I would like to see one big enough for prek-5

The cost of the old dale building remodel what not given the consideration in needed

Combining project into one new building to replace grades at wheelock & Dale

I think timeliness is the next most important consideration in my opinion -- it seems overdue for the entire Dale Street School community (students, staff) to have a new and improved facility.

Simplicity and pragmatism

As fast as possible and have a sensory room/facilities for those with special needs

Location

Urgency/speed to complete project; Benefit to STUDENTS

Speed

Ability to execute the project quickly! Make up lost time. Our schools are outdated and need updating/investment ASAP!

Consolidate grades 2-5 into one building

Space and updated/open spaces air conditioning

Just cost overall and town buy in.

Propose to build one elementary school k-5

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Staff support

Sale or reuse of Dale St Lot when school dept moves grades 4-5

it's important to keep the current location as it presents walking and biking opportunities to our downtown area is accessible to opportunities within walking and biking opportunities.

Elementary school grade configurations, student life impacts

Traffic and no vacant buildings left unaccounted for

Wheelock school also needs much improvement, not just Dale Street.

Ensuring community is involved in the process from the beginning and feedback is actually incorporated into the plan

ZERO disruption to the students attending Dale during the changes.

Impact to residential tax bill is different than costs because it considers impact from debt service.

Residential taxpayer impact. Too much emphasis in past on total cost. It is impact on our tax bill that is most important. I hope and pray we get access to MSBA project funding again. If not, we should wait until we get back into program.

Long term space needs and traffic impact to the downtown. New school belongs at Wheelock campus. Do what is right for the kids!

Traffic/parking

Time to construct school, disruption to students

Speed, we've lost so much time for our children

I think it is important to keep the location where it is.

traffic considerations

which grade levels will be allocated to the school

Conserving open land, rehabbing buildings rather than being wasteful and starting new

Health and safety of students

Fundamental lack of communication with townspeople; unlawful involvement (voting) of the superintendent on the committee; violation of open meeting laws by the SC

Energy impacts

Ground water, traffic & traffic lights

Traffic. Horrible location for yet another school off of south street.

The draft plans for Dale St were fatal at flawed last time with poor assumptions that led to higher costs, greater student disruption, and a prolonged project timeline. Done well, with the best design to maximize the Dale St location, this project could be a major asset for the schools and the town overall. We need a community center, recent surveys put that very high on the list of priorities for the town, and planned/coordinated correctly, the Dale St school could be coordinated with replacing the Pfaff to maximize what taxpayers get for the amount spent.

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Public input, open meetings

The Dale street location is ideal for the new school being close to town center and having sidewalks for the kids to walk.

New building at Dale St. location

Appropriateness (Taj Mahal doesn't belong in Medfield), teacher and student support (\$\$\$) should trump 2 story glass foyers.

cost. taxes.

Benefit of reducing administrative costs and consolidating resources with similar grades

Speed of having the school built. We are already overdue on a new school.

Congestion in the neighborhood if in the Wheelock area including traffic and safety plus additional infrastructure costs not in the original plan to support safety

Resident input

The manner with which the chair appeared to belittle zoom participants

Traffic pattern and impact

1. TIMING: our children and staff need this school yesterday. 2. Blitz info everywhere and often, have sandwich boards up telling folks to signup for newsletters/email updates, align with other blogs, etc, so folks can't say they didn't know. Have something visible in the town center perhaps in the fall.

Traffic and safety

Cost but cost and how it will impact taxes and those that can't afford the increase

Opportunities for more unified elementary school services

Timing - school needed ASAP, how new school planning ties in with town's master building plan, what about Wheelock - that also needs to be considered for upgrades, need town support of project and their willingness to communicate information on project

This is not a response to the question above. I think that the SBC needs to work to promptly pick a location for the new school, so the SBC can start to get architects and engineers involved in the process. We have lost a ton of valuable time, and the SBC needs to move as expeditiously as it possibly can. There is no way that everyone will be happy with the new proposed site, so the SBC needs to just pick one and move the process forward.

Listening to the town. Two votes were taken. Not necessary.

Maintain the Dale St location

REALISTIC projections of future enrollment - it's been decreasing in recent years, and birth rates are down in general. The school building proposed just seemed far bigger than necessary. Secondly, we should think about how we can flex schools to accommodate fluctuating enrollments. That is, at some point we might need to shift a class to a different school. And finally, there should be some consideration of where park and rec/MAP will be located. Some people say that could go into a renovated Dale building if the Dale moved to Wheelock, but now you have most of the schools on the other side of town so what good is that?

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Open space, land preservation

Input but no vote from any member of the superintendent's staff.

historic preservation and cost

Resource sharing and continuity when kids move from one elementary school to the next

Clean materials and indoor/ outdoor style with large windows for natural light and visual appeal neutral color palette white with soft earth tones light beige and light grey nothing distracting and bright

I just want the best school for the kids.

Traffic impact

Teacher input

Impact on neighborhood, Safety of having over 4/5 of school population w/in a less than a square mile

traffic and length of the project

Our town takes an enormous amount of time figuring out issues and after being here in our 27th year, it is still nice to have a local neighborhood school without disturbing the environment over at Wheelock. My concern is the town would take forever and not in the residents best interests if Dale did not remain at Dale. The number of school students is not as high now and Dale should be fine after a major renovation. There was always talk to do something with the Piaf Center and it has never come to be done. We have a Cadillac building across the street for the fire station and public service building. The Solari? Property should have been bought for the needs of the town garage area. Those new apartments dwarf that wonderful little neighborhood. Bottom line: I'd prefer Dale at Dale.

What the teachers think!

Keeping false information off social media platforms, and increasing community awareness of the need

Traffic. Use of the existing Dale Street location

1. Proximity to the general population/residential areas 2. Effective use of the Dale Street location

Synergy amongst the grades in a space that allows teachers across all grade levels the ability to collaborate seamlessly

1. Traffic, 2. Safety of students

what will happen to Dale Street school now empty.

Downtown location for 4th & 5th graders is key; stay away from Wheelock site - protect our water resources & open space! We deserved to see the best renovation/addition options, but never got the chance.

Student and Teacher Health & Safety

Speed to get it done and making sure it's passed this time

If Dale is to be abandoned OR repurposed, the cost for all modifications MUST be included in the capital planning so the taxpayers have a full picture of the financial burden. This was not well thought out in the previous plan. You cannot move forward with a new building, in a new location, without that being addressed. When I participated in the vote for a Dale

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Street Study, it was not on my radar that this meant relocation. I am not opposed to a relocation but all the expenses must be captured and communicated. Not as an after thought.

Consolidation of 3 Schools Into 1

Location in the center of town is critical

traffic impact, population impact

proximity to student population

Impact of the quality of education and property taxes.

Being transparent about any changes to the building use / grade structure. For example today we have K-1st / 2&3 / 4&5 all in separate buildings. Might this change to Pre K, & K / 1,2,3 / 4&5 or any other configuration that might actually eliminate a school building?

timeliness

Getting it done quickly.

Location and historic preservation. If a decision is made to build a new school school at a location other than Dale Street, then there MUST be a viable plan for the re-use of the current Dale Street School. .

Non-resident Superintendent should not have voting power.

Traffic impact. Cost vs. real cost once construction happens.

Traffic impact, nice place for our children

Long term planning that considers best option for preschool-grade 5

Impact on the community and traffic patterns near the new school site

How to get the most benefit for students for the smallest investment (cost vs benefits)

Plan for remaining old buildings

My top concerns were stated above

This is related to location, but it's nice to have 2/3 of the elementary schools close. REALLY wish the location at Wheelock passed :(

Timeliness & results. The inability to get anything done will cost our town a lot of money over time while our kids and teachers are in a poor building.

A plan that enough people will approve to move forward. We need a school.

traffic impact, community input/vote on possible options to gauge support earlier in the process and maintain transparency

Student access to downtown. Community resource.

traffic impact

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Drilling down on Cost, I think it's important to understand the differences between the new proposal(s) and the failed proposal next to Wheelock. I figure this new proposal will be significantly more expensive and folks in town should understand that.

A better plan for Dale St. should a new school be the next step.

Tax impact; not pretending that somehow a new school campus will improve special education programming

Historical preservation and cost

Traffic impact

Traffic and need to avoid asking taxpayers to pay more

There is no question in my mind that Dale St school should stay in its current location. It makes the town vibrant. The number of bikes at Dale St each day speaks volumes. Traffic and safety issues around Wheelock are not addressed here. South St. does not need more traffic trying to get on to Rte 27.

Access to outdoor classroom resources at Wheelock were greatly overrated and there were other traffic options for Wheelock (like the road from RT 27 through the field and to the Wheelock site that were never considered

using as much as the current school as possible in the renovations of Dale

using existing school grounds

More information on keeping the school at Dale Street location

Out of control spending, inflation, electricity, gas, taxes. Not the time to burden taxpayers. Why are enrollments

Speed of approvals and construction, I have young children. One has already missed out on the new school! Also, specifics on least impacting displaced students during construction.

There has to be a re-use plan for the current Dale Street School if it is not the site selected. It cannot be left to be a demolition by neglect property in our town center.

Reorganization/Consolidation of current schools, Faster process (last was too prolonged, creating more conflict)

Transparency and 3 options

Voting down the plan in Nov 2021 has led to a substantial delay and we now have three old elementary schools. What is the plan beyond this first new school?

Community input and feedback

community participation/involvement

Cost; environmental impact; enrollment; reuse of current space

benefit of small school size

Listening to the community.

Adaptive reuse of existing sites or structures. Use by Parks and Rec after school hours

Ability to share staff between two adjacent schools

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New construction vs renovation, change of all school grade configurations

Location next to Police Station

Loss of open space & need to protect water resources

Transparency

Having more than one final cost. All costs should be accounted include cost that go beyond overrides.

or lowered, with all the new housing prop taxes should be lowered!

Convenient location and of Dale Street school.

The best part about Dale location is the independence the kids learn going downtown. You could always move PK, K, 1st, 2nd to Wheelock. And 2nd and 3rd to Memorial

Seems like repairs to the school Building were not included in any plan through the years. My children enjoyed riding their bikes to Dale it gave them a sense of responsibility.

Traffic impact, use of space in new school( outdoor learning area???)

Location and Cost

impact on traffic patterns, disruption of neighborhood

The opportunity that the 4th/5th graders get from going downtown is huge. The learning of independence and responsibility is priceless.

Location should stay at Dale St.

I believe it would be important to look at the consolidation of Dale and Pfaff Center

I would like the process to be more responsive to community questions.

Accessibility and educational resources

Traffic and neighborhood logistics

Minimal disruption to the current students at Dale at the time.

Room for future enhancements to avoid a new build, shared space for other schools to use after hours (theatre,

Timely Execution

Uptown location for teaching independence

Open Space Protections No more structures on the books

Timeline

Maintenance and long term plan for Dale St school (if alternate location is selected)

Staying within the budget.

Use of old school if Dale is not preserved.

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Accessibility and safety

Plan for Dale Street school building if not reused and traffic impacts

If Dale is NOT going to be used, a solid plan needs to be provided for its new use.

Security

A clear plan for what will happen if students are displaced...which I don't think any kid should have to go through

Open space maintenance and cohesive vision with Town Master plan

We need a new school - period!! People value this town for the quality of its schools and this town deserves better.

very important--sharing and collaboration between educators on a campus, long-term financial effects of a delay

Not sure the above captured nuance on cost. I am ok with my taxes being raised to pay for the school, but I will not vote for any plan that does not include state funding.

Teaching environment; universal design for learning

be transparent. zero confidence in the school com/superintendent. we should worry about getting rankings back to top 10 before we build anything new.

Getting this project done ASAP, long overdue

Preservation and use of the Dale Street Building

Providing a facility that teachers are excited to teach in and that attracts and keeps good teachers;

Location, Historical Preservation

Needs to be at the Blake location

Adhering to the original intent of keeping the new school at Dale St location and accelerating the process to make it happen

Traffic pattern

consideration of traffic impact

Timing and traffic

You all spend money and waste time doing what government is supposed to do efficiently like drunken sailors.

Government and the people who think they are good at this stuff suck! They would be fired from any worthwhile private sector job. Serve for free and then go live amongst us all.

Top dollar proposal for diminishing educational ranking/quality.

Teacher input

Do NOT overbuild. Keep in mind that it will only serve 2 grades

Efficiency and projections for future enrollment.

Time to completion

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Preserving open space and water resources is critical for these next generations

Timing of build, community buy in

Timeline and Community Buy-In

Space for special education services, project based learning, and future enrollment considerations. Running out of space in a school limits so many opportunities.

Cost of removal or bring old building up to code must be considered if a totally new site is planned.

Traffic

Impact on town value, quality of education, ranking of school system

The above changes in importance with the details that are given out so it is hard to rank these with no information.

traffic and preservation of conservation land

Contamination of town wells by building too close to wells

Please do not try to build a new school at Wheelock! Please keep the location at Dale!

Accessibility from the town center. Maintaining character of the host neighborhood.

Accommodate MORE than TWO Grades

cost and enrollment requirements

Process, cost

State Funding & Facility Size

Saving Dale Street School, it is a great building. Needs some work but should stay.

Making decisions in a timely manner

Technology incorporation, cleanliness

student safety (walking, biking), can it be approved

The long term plan for our school system and configurations. What's the vision and how does the new school and plans allow us to achieve that?

Schedule and use date/timeline to complete, Impact to students during construction. I want shortest timeline with minimal impact to current students day to day.

Input from the town people, being willing to compromise

Traffic

disposition of the building at Dale concerns me if it is not used for the school.

Safety design, inclusive design

Interaction between schools. Staff ease of ability to travel from 1 school to another.

Q3: What other top two considerations are important from your viewpoint that were not listed above?

Ed programs and projections

1) A plan for current Dale Street school building, whether or not Dale Street is chosen as the site of the new building, 2) Transportation efficiency

Not building at Wheelock.

We need to plan for the future. We don't want to go through this process again.

Efficiency - develop a plan, get it approved, and built! Safety at Dale is unsafe and it's totally unacceptable that kids are still in that building.

benefits to students and to staff

Synergies Between different elementary schools

It's unfair to subject elementary school students to further disruption in their learning by placing them in temporary classrooms after they have already experienced the challenges of the pandemic.

Healthy schools: aiming for triple zero. Schools in Medfield feature large in the community and perform roles outside of only student education. The location of the new school will have a huge impact on the town as a whole and I would very much like to see that decision put to a town vote, not only an SBC vote.

Speed/pace of actually moving forward, Other buildings in district future plans

Safety and accessibility

Small town feel. Air conditioning

Speed

Transportation costs, traffic impacts, water and sewer considerations

You covered the important considerations above for me.

A proper gym! New school ASAP - location is least of my concern

Space for future growth and flexibility. Access to outdoor space

traffic impact

please think of the people on the North side of town.

Timing, Duration of Construction

Technology & Traffic

Safety of the building

Total project cost and impacts (ex. previous plan didn't appear to address Dale Street). Options considered for school with pros and cons.

Timeliness, impact on children going to school during construction

Timeline to complete

Q3: What other top two considerations are important from your viewpoint that were not listed above?

Location Cost

Keep schools in current locations.

timing

State of the art facilities that allow for high level learning and accessibility of staff and resources.

Flexible usage of space and enough outdoor recreational space for kids

Servicing the entire student population equally and constant communication with the public during the process

The schools need more or a focus on STEM Education

Traffic Impact

Decide on site first, meaning town vote or similar then get architect renderings. It was obvious that Elm St was preferred bc the architect had less restrictions due to space etc.

Loss of open space

Impact on Real Estate Taxes

community involvement

Efficient use of space; no grand designs that have no functional value (i.e. grand stair case/atrium)

Impact on tax rate. Disproportionate amount of town/community infrastructure in that part of town when one considers an eventual expansion by the housing authority on Pound Street.

Additional tax burden for retired people

None. Priorities are education and enrollment.

Long term needs

1-Class sizes and making sure this new building accommodates class sizes. 2- That school safety plays a big part in the design of the building and classrooms.

To get a new school built with enough space for future growth in enrollment

Health impacts of the building on kids/staff

Benefits to the students and faculty are my priority. I want a school that is state of the art and reflects the strong family and education values of this town. These kids deserve better buildings.

Speed! We need a new school now.

Traffic and congestion which is already extreme and added infrastructure costs not considered in the plan

Timeliness of project and impacts to current students.

None cost, size and location were largest factors.

Timeline; plans for Dale St building in event of new school being built

Q3: What other top two considerations are important from your viewpoint that were not listed above?

Overall town expenditure - other projects being funded or that need funding

outdoor space and technology infrastructure

town input and tax implications

What will happen to current Dale. How long will process take.

Town reputation/ranking of Medfield Public Schools. My son has just completed 4th grade at Dale, I can 100% say that the building itself hinders learning and needs to be replaced.

school safety

Community input and feedback

This time, we should prevent <names redacted> from hijacking the project . The failed project has led to increased costs and delays for the town and the students of Medfield.

Safety of current facility

Input on layout/design

I loved the location at Wheelock, having a 2-5 campus so less transition and benefit of shared staff.

Access to outdoor spaces for mental health wellness.

Something that will pass town meeting. Something with net zero performance.

reuse of Dale street, how parks and rec can benefit

Finding a way to unify the town to get new schools built

Cost impact on other grade schools

When my wife and I visited Medfield prior to moving, it was right at the time that school let out. We were by Starbucks and we saw tons of kids heading home and the image has remained since. Dale St is a perfect location for a school of younger kids, being so close to town. It's idyllic. And having worked many years in a school district, I know there is no program that cannot be offered at a facility on that property that is offered elsewhere. It was a bad faith argument. The process to approve a location was also unfortunate. The very first town approval should've been the location. You would've seen that the majority favored a new or restored facility at Dale St. Instead, that was bypassed and every meeting thereafter was sadly leading up to a no vote. Wheelock is a great outer-Medfield location for a high school. But moving the Dale school kills all the charm that has existed for decades. Not everything new and shiny is better. This is one of those times.

Combining more grades

How many grades will be in the new school. It doesn't make as much sense to build and crazy expensive school that only hosts 2 grades.

Listen to community feedback and appreciate it. My biggest concern with the school at Wheelock was cost and size but also what would happen to school at Dale and why that cost was not included in overall cost. I asked about that on one of the original calls and was dismissed. No answer.

Q3: What other top two considerations are important from your viewpoint that were not listed above?

We do not need 5 school buildings.. they all need work and repairs.. we should be able to have 3 really good buildings.. 4 max..

I don't think that both options were presented equally. The only option that was researched and proposed was building at Wheelock over renovating Dale Street.

Ability to serve other schools, i.e. the plan included shared space for Wheelock. Also a media campaign to prevent the facebook trolls from spreading misinformation.

Timeline and traffic

Traffic impact and efficiency

Get the superintendent out of the process

Where will the students be located during the construction.

TIME!! Speed of each part of process vital

academic disruption during construction, parking for parent events

Price & plan to renovate and restore Dale

1. ability to co-locate grades 2 & 3 with 4 & 5 and 2. ability to have facilities (gyms, auditoriums, etc.) that can be used for community purposes

Teacher collaboration, a healthy and accessible building

Health and Safety

Time to Implementation, Best Use of Town Property

Cost and Educational Programs

Timing; Repurposed use of Dale school building if new location wins

Traffic and use of old building.

community benefits and construction impact

teacher input in the process, a school designed by actual educators and professionals not over opinionated towns people who don't work in schools

Single site for grade 1-4 built between Dale/Memorial for better shared services, and then move 4-5 grade to Wheelock

Tax impact.

Not raising taxes for the school, having the best teachers possible for our children in all grades.

condition of existing schools

Benefits from other school/town departments, how long it will take to build

Using the Dale St School site and respecting the outcome of the previous vote!

Finding consensus so that a new school can be built with stand funding

Q3: What other top two considerations are important from your viewpoint that were not listed above?

Timeline to support my children

Impact to children attending Dale during construction.

Inclusive design for classrooms and other physical space.

Traffic Impact, taxpayer impact

Access to downtown for students, traffic impact on Elm

Impact to neighbors

top of the line learning environment for the children who will be in the school

timing

Cost to taxpayers of renovating / maintaining existing Dale St school was not included in projections. Costs related to solar / geothermal need to be broken out. A non-green school should be considered if the cost is materially different.

Community benefits includes having a school near the center of town

important to keep the downtown connection solves the problem of what to do with the Dale St site

cost compared to the number of grades that the school would hold. Location - need to be closer to the center of town

Financial balance in the options, number of times <redact name> cried on stage

Student accessibility to town

Only one option was presented. Surprising since the town was basically 50/50.

Have an outside consultant do the plan and present a few options. Too much bias from the SBC and superintendent.

Traffic is a big factor on why I voted no for the Wheelock location as I live nearby.

Have an overall plan for all schools and be flexible with moving kids around. Also have the building be used for town functions not sit empty at night and over the weekend. Include the Parks and Rec in the plan. One building, two uses.

I have one consideration/concern and it relates to how poorly these town building decisions are made without any consideration for the character of the town.

Impact on traffic flow

I thought their plan was great if the goal was to bankrupt the town. What a joke. Only one option????? C'mon man!!

Traffic impact

Have an outside consultant certify and OVERALL cost impact. Not fair for the SBC to have a blank check. We all know there will be more costs than what they say. Look across the street at the police and fire station.

Process took way too long. Present future actual costs. We all know the next thing would be a tax override.

Future tax impact / override / cost per household

Plan B for when teachers' union says teachers are not essential workers and don't need to show up at school. \$100m+ empty building??

Q3: What other top two considerations are important from your viewpoint that were not listed above?

Disruption to students (ie renovating existing school while still attending it); Student safety

Total town needs-- how can we most cost effectively address the school AND the Pfaff/community center since the town needs both.

Community input

Medfield needs a good, solid, accessible school - but not an over the top, extremely expensive "state of the art" facility

Transparency with project planning, cost and plan for Dale St building and cost related

future school state - 3 grades in one school, bigger focus on outdoor capacity for the town at the Wheelock site, and utilizing the current Dale street school for community center with Pfaff; also MAP having an actual real building instead of a trailer; also, designated widened trails since people will use them

School population is decreasing. One school for 2 or 3 grades is ridiculous.

Cost and location were off and the SCB ignored the feedback from town. I hope it is different this time.

I almost didn't vote at all because of the nastiness from yes voters who constantly claimed "misinformation" when documents and other factual information consistently backed up Dale at Dale statements. The old SBC just didn't want the truth to come out, so certain members called in their flying monkeys like <redact name> to shut down anyone who attempted to provide much-needed checks and balances. Sadly, our town leaders also endorsed this behavior with their silence.

Keeping schools small rather than building mega complex. Preserving the old building, keeping the school at Dale

Not trying to get around what the majority actually wants. Stop trying to game the democratic process.

Traffic and walkability

Safety and falling behind other towns (medfield is not keeping up)

ALL taxpayers have response/opportunity? taxpayers given the opportunity to respond to this survey as well as its results.

A top consideration is the democratic process of this project. This survey is a perfect example. You are STILL angling for a new school at Wheelock after it got voted done three times.

Please do not present another proposal for a new building without factoring the cost to renovate or tear down the Dale Street School. No one doubts that we need a new school but the true choice is the cost of a New School in a new location plus the incremental cost of what is to be done with Dale (tear down etc) versus renovating Dale Street School. Second consideration is Traffic impacts of combining the schools in one corner of town, that will be a lot of cross town traffic during peak hours.

Having a plan for the existing building should the decision be made to build at a different location.

Impact on the center of town by moving Dale Street and local Dale Street neighborhood impact.

Being near the wells is the main reason why I voted against it. (The zoning buffer is an arbitrary number not backed by science and while the building was a foot away the parking was not.). Also it created a facility much larger than needed based on our enrollment dropping. (The projections in the plan showing a rise were a lie, I will send you a real analysis

Q3: What other top two considerations are important from your viewpoint that were not listed above?

when I get it updated.). Also It is known that, especially for younger children a large facility is detrimental to their education.

Impact on taxes and how long any solution is going to take

Location

Attempt to revitalize Dale school and utilize its footprint and transparency - continued communication with town members through the process

Traffic density. Open space.

Impact on other community needs

Are temporary classrooms being considered as a transition solution for students?

community involvement/transparency, lack of plans/cost to repurpose/demolish Dale St. school

Don't want to spend on unnecessary features that add limited value to the students' education

Communication to the community on project status and pros and cons of the options

Cost, being fiscally responsible and sensitive to the tax impact on retired residents

Aesthetic design quality

It is very difficult for students to keep transitioning to a new school every two years... all new teachers, guidance counselors, specialists. These transitions are especially hard on special education students who rely on consistency of provider care to make effective progress. The administrative overhead of having three separate elementary schools is ludicrous. One campus where one or one-two schools can operate together makes much more sense. Opponents of the plan claimed small class size and small schools are best for kids, but the new plan already had smaller class sizes in place.

Health - currently not confident the current building is healthy

Building safety (e.g., A new building or completely getting rid of any hazardous materials that were used in construction of the old building), and moving forward with a thoughtful plan in a timely manner