

#### Jefferson Elementary Community Schoolyard Project

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Connecting everyone to the outdoors<sup>™</sup>

# We are CONNECTING EVERYONE TO THE OUTDOORS



#### **OUR INITIATIVES**



We create parks and protect public land where they're needed most so that everyone will have access to the benefits and joys of the outdoors for generations to come.





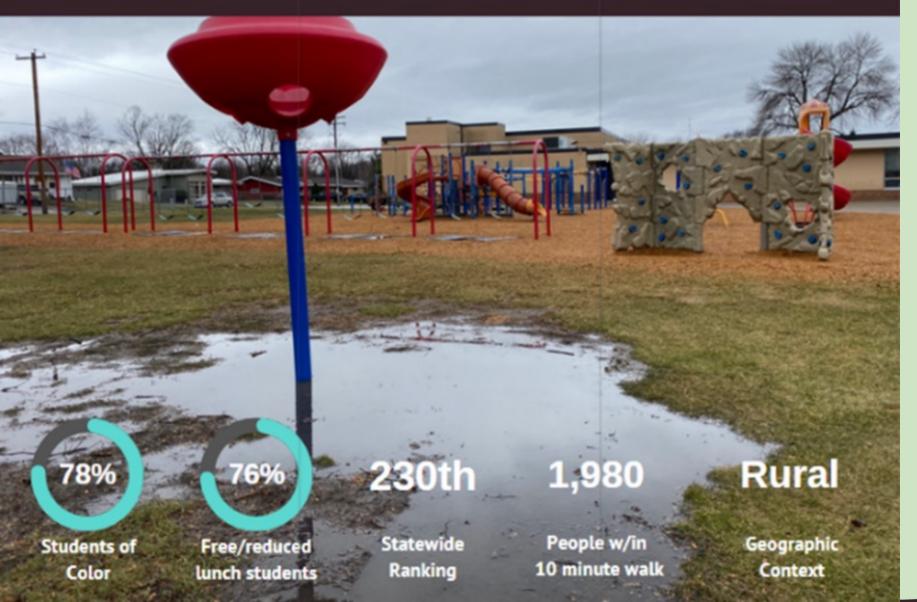
## Community Schoolyard

- Park-like place
- Designed by the community
- Designed with intention
- Welcoming to everyone





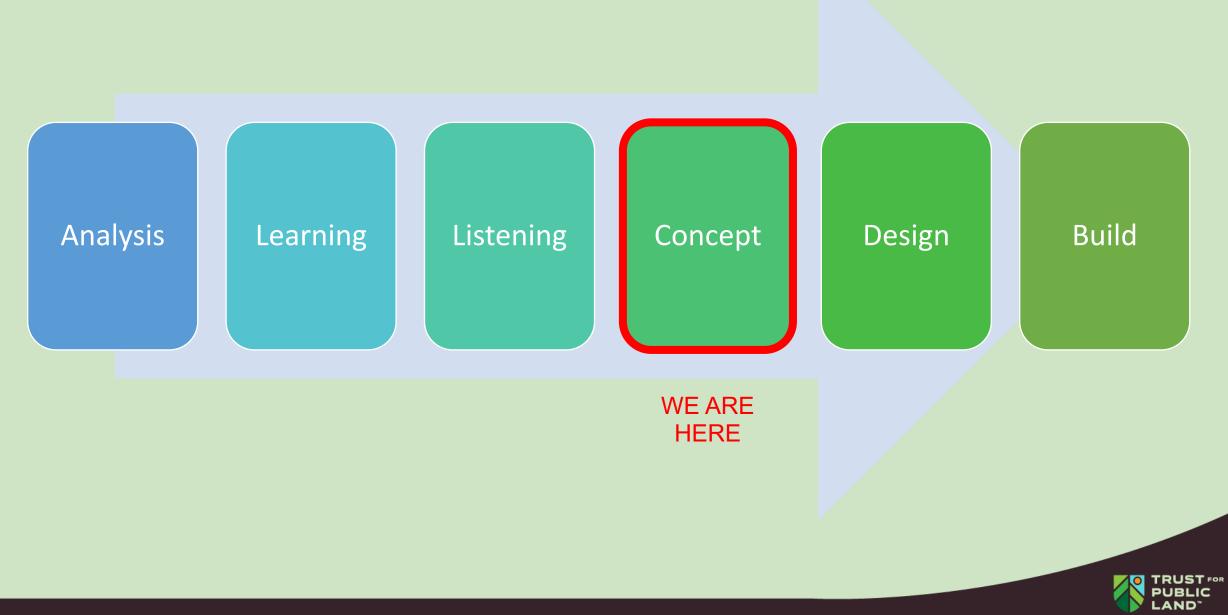
#### JEFFERSON ELEMENTARY, FARIBAULT STATUS: IN DESIGN, FUNDRAISING



### Jefferson Elementary

- Funding from Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund (ENRTF)
- Competitive application process
- Support includes:
  - Project Management
  - Student learning and community engagement
  - Design
  - Capital improvements







### Jefferson Elementary Site Analysis

- 25 year old playground equipment
- Standing water, mud/ice
- Parking and pick up/drop off safety concerns
- Exposure to elements/heat
- Opportunities to improve outdoor learning space





## **Student Leader Class**

- Parking and site circulation
- Address water issues
- Create outdoor classroom
- Create nature learning area
- Replace outdated play equipment
- Trees, flowers, habitat
- Quiet, passive spaces
- Soccer
- Be more inviting to the community – mural, improve entrance
- Address behavior







Site Circulation

Project 2 – In Progress

- Outdoor learning
- Environment and natural resources

- Traditional playground
- Athletics





# Project 1 -Completed

Project 2 – In Progress





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#### Jefferson Elementary Community Schoolyard Concept Plan & Phasing



TRUST FOR PUBLIC

LAND"

# **Timeline and Next Steps**

- Continue revisions to draft concept plan, student and teacher engagement
- \$150,000 available for design and construction
- Amendment to MOU
- TPL and School Staff recommend issuance of Design-Build RFP
- Nov 22: Issue RFP
- Jan: Proposals due, review, recommendation, and approval
- Feb-May: Continued planning, design, permitting, and approvals
- June-Aug: Construction
- Sept: Celebration
- Project 3 funding dependent



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