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#### ADDITIONS AND RENOVATIONS TO STRICKLAND MIDDLE SCHOOL **ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

VLK Architects, Inc. wishes to thank the students, families, community, teachers/staff, campus and leadership for the opportunity to design the Strickland Middle School Additions and Renovations for Denton ISD. The project will build upon and incorporate the many strong traditions of Strickland Middle School while creating new learning and teaching opportunities that will support empowering lifelong learners to be engaged citizens who positively impact their local and global community.

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#### **PROJECT NARRATIVE**



- May 5, 2018, the Denton ISD community approved a \$750.5 million bond to address continuing growth in the district and fund renovations to existing campuses.
- Strickland Middle School Additions and Renovations
- Project Completion: Phased 2021
- Architect: VLK Architects, Inc.
- CM@Risk: Balfour Beatty Construction
- Additions and renovations of Strickland Middle School shall incorporate renovated existing facilities (auditorium, gyms, athletics and fine arts) into a new safe and supportive learning environment serving 1000 students. The design includes new classrooms, science labs, ESL classrooms, library/media center, and administration space.
- The renovation will include all programs comparable to the newest middle school to incorporate next generation learning and collaborative learning environments for both students and teachers.
- The new construction shall include a storm shelter sized to serve the entire campus.







#### **VLK | CURATION**



# VLK | CURATION

VLK | Curation is the thorough process of action research used with Denton ISD to gather relevant and purposeful data that scaffold the design process, ensuring the client's academic goals and expectations for students and staff drive the design process. Our Principal and Educational Planner, Dr. Dalane E. Bouillion studied the district's strategic plan, goals for curriculum and instruction, current instructional methodologies, academic programs, and state data.

#### **CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION PLANNING QUESTIONNAIRE**

Kathleen Carmona participated in an interview using VLK's Curriculum and Instruction Planning Questionnaire where relevant conversation regarding Curriculum and Instruction was discussed. Details regarding how academics are taught, special programs within the campus, specialized curricula, and the relevance of historical aspects of the long-standing campus was discussed. She assisted with understanding what is desired, and how space might accomplish the intended instructional initiatives in place.





#### **VLK CURATION** - PLANNING QUESTIONNAIRE



# WHO ARE WE?

- Solid Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) in place
- Strong interventions to ensure student success
- Flexible tutoring schedule
- PLTW all day Robotics
- Woodshop
- FINE ARTS!
- English Language Learners (ELLs)
- Support for Special Needs students
- Library/Media Center/Makerspace/Computer Lab
- COLLABORATION!
- Grit
- Respect
- Garden Club
- Rain Collection
- Outdoor dining/Picnic area

# WHAT DO WE NEED?

- Even more collaboration
- Natural light
- A building that works
- Spaces that help us continue to "take care of each other" and continue to "remove barriers for students"







#### **VLK LAUNCH**



The design you're seeing today was developed by students, parents, teachers, administrators and community leaders who participated in a **VLK | LAUNCH,** which was held at Strickland Middle School. Working in teams, they created the conceptual framework for the design which was developed into the Schematic Design that is being presented here for approval. In this process, participants discussed and selected imagery representing what they would want the exterior and interior of the school to look like and the type and scale of spaces. They then used gaming pieces representing areas such as core academic classrooms, collaboration zones, media center elements, maker space, etc. to create a layout for the new middle school plan.

VLK Architects and designers then took these concepts and created a conceptual framework of a plan, which was reviewed by the committee and then developed into this design.

# **LAUNCH PARTICIPANTS**

Paul Andress Keely Briggs William Briggs Michael Burris Judy Bush Kathleen Carmona Adrianna Cavazos-Gillian Finn Collins Leigha Collins Jennifer Collins Lyric Darden Jacob Eckber **Tony Peters Dwight Goodwin Robert Pierce** Jared Hart Lisa Rivera

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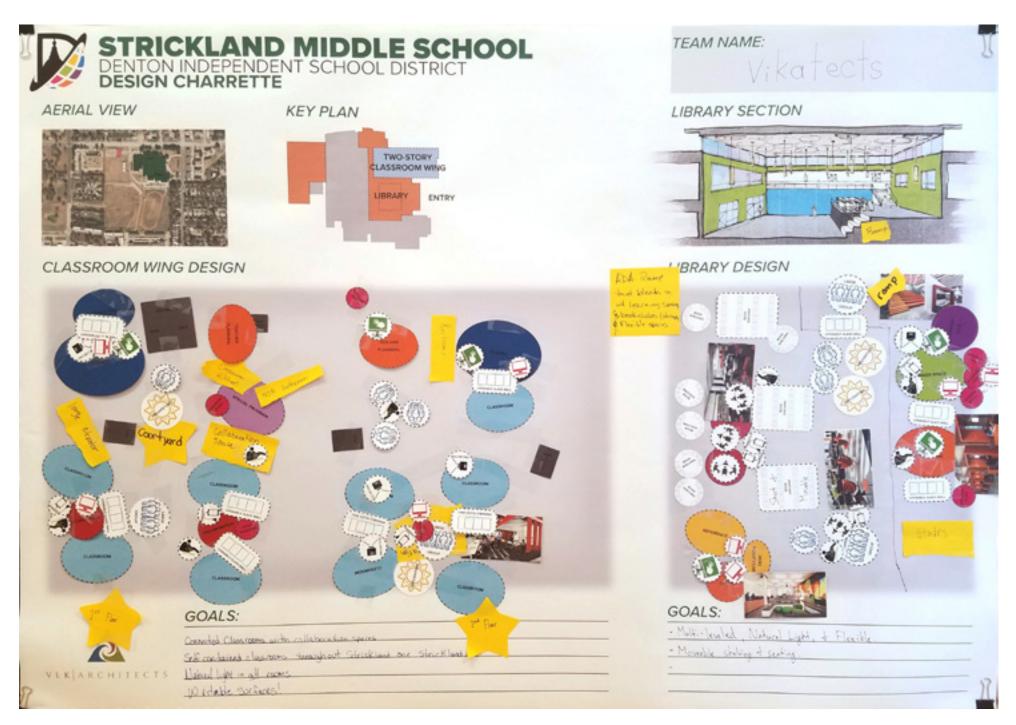


**DESIGN PREREQUISITES** 





#### **VLK LAUNCH - GAMING RESULTS**



# **TEAM: vikatects**

#### **CLASSROOM POD**

- Connected classrooms with collaboration spaces
- Self-contained classrooms throughout school
- Natural light in ALL rooms
- Writable surfaces

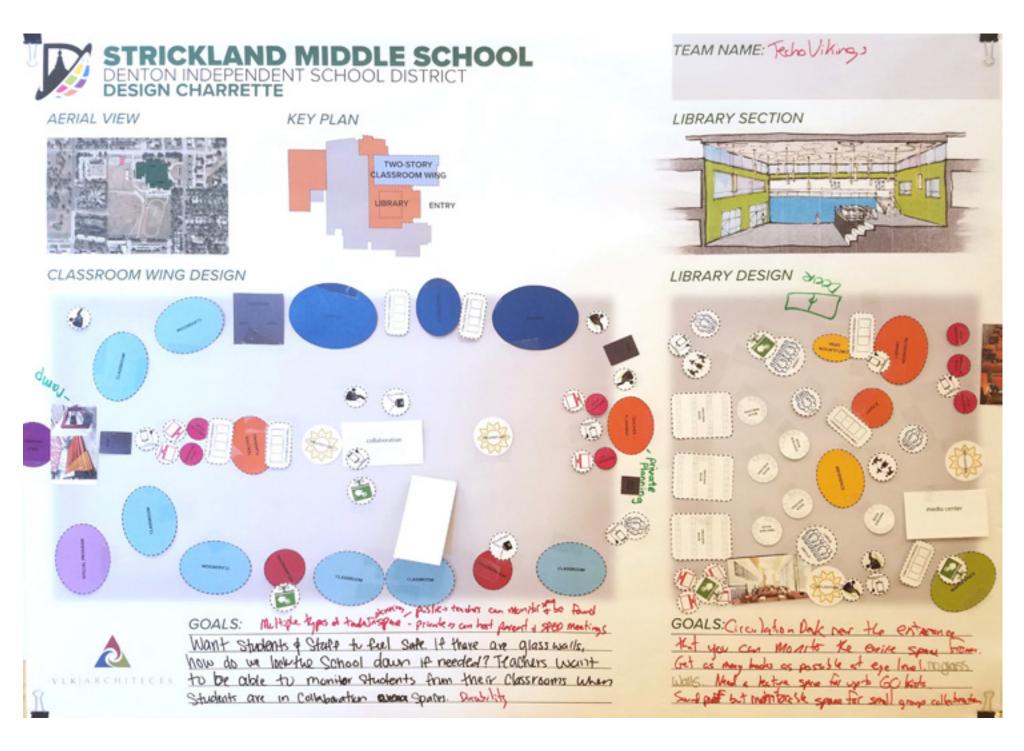
#### **LIBRARY**

- Multi-leveled, natural light, flexible
- Moveable shelving and seating





**VLK LAUNCH - GAMING RESULTS** 



# TEAM: TechnoVikings CLASSROOM POD

- Multiple types of teacher planning space (public AND private)
- Students and staff should feel safe.
- Monitor students in collaboration spaces from the classroom

#### **LIBRARY**

- Circulation Desk near entrance with ability to monitor entire space
- Books at eye level
- Lecture space
- Sound proof but monitorable space for small group collaboration





#### **VLK LAUNCH - GAMING RESULTS**



# **TEAM: BASH!**

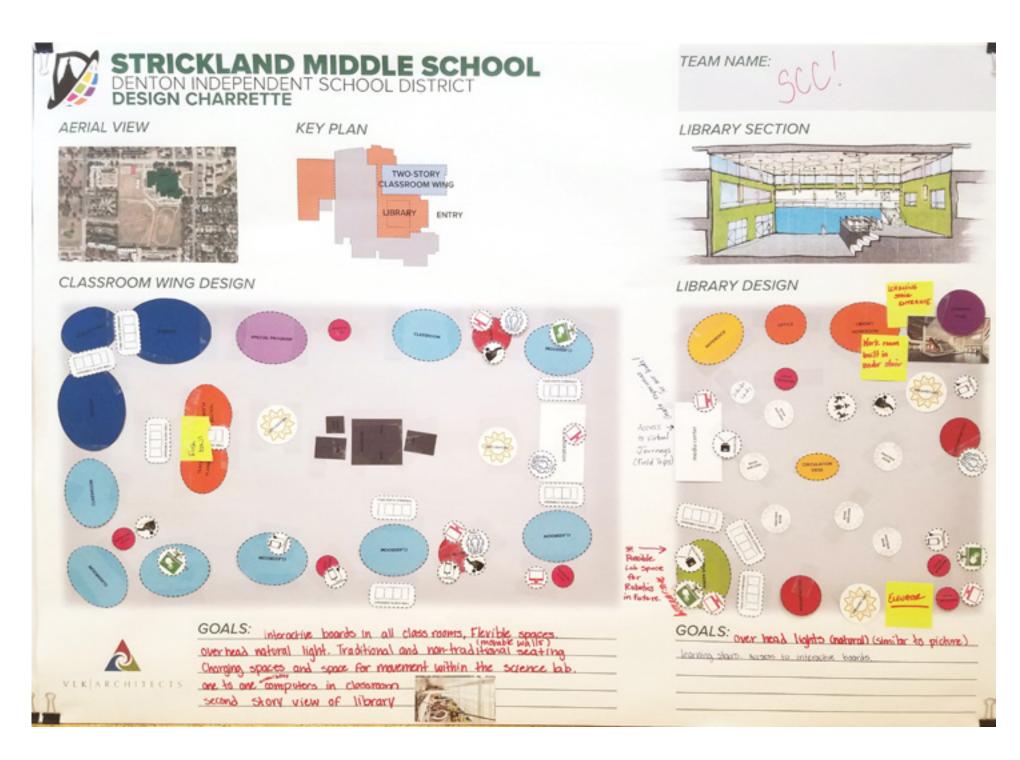
# **CLASSROOM POD**

Collaborative and quiet science areas





#### **VLK LAUNCH - GAMING RESULTS**



# TEAM: SCC!

# **CLASSROOM POD**

- Interactive boards in all classrooms
- Flexible spaces
- Natural light
- Variety of seating
- Charging spaces
- Space for movement in labs
- Connection to library

#### **LIBRARY**

- Natural lighting
- Learning stairs
- Access to interactive boards
- Lab space for Robotics





#### **VLK LAUNCH** - TYPOLOGY OF SPACES



















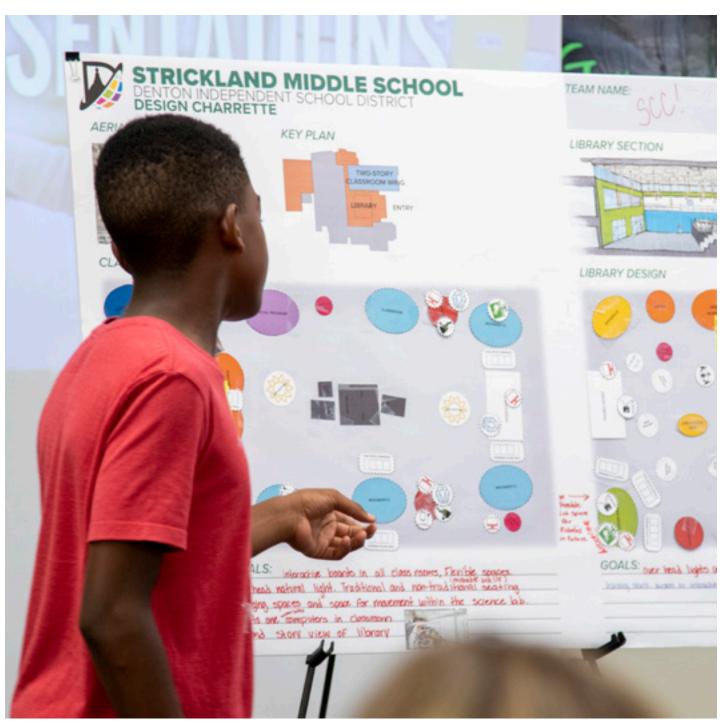








#### **PROJECT GOALS**

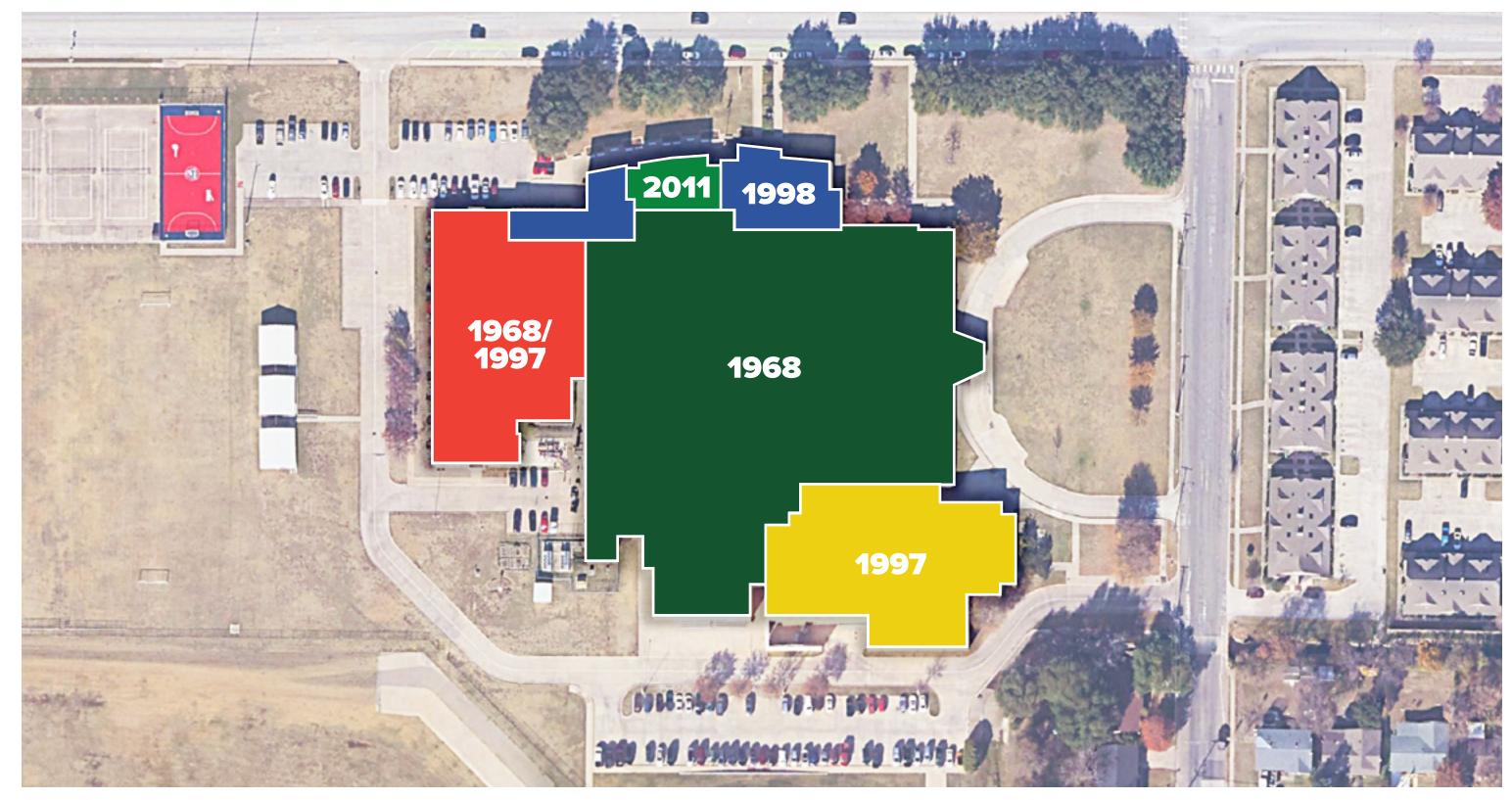


- Modernize the facility with new finishes, infrastructure, amenities, and energy efficient construction to be equitable with the newer middle schools in the district
- Provide next-generation learning and collaborative environments for both teachers and students
- Move all classrooms out of the basement
- Consolidate and bring the administration area up to Denton ISD Education Specification standards
- Provide for a controlled entry with adjacent visitors parking
- Integrate and embrace the history of Strickland Middle School into the new design
- Refurbish the auditorium finishes, seating, and systems
- Create a modern library with maker spaces and flexible spaces to support inquiry-based learning
- Make all spaces accessible to all students



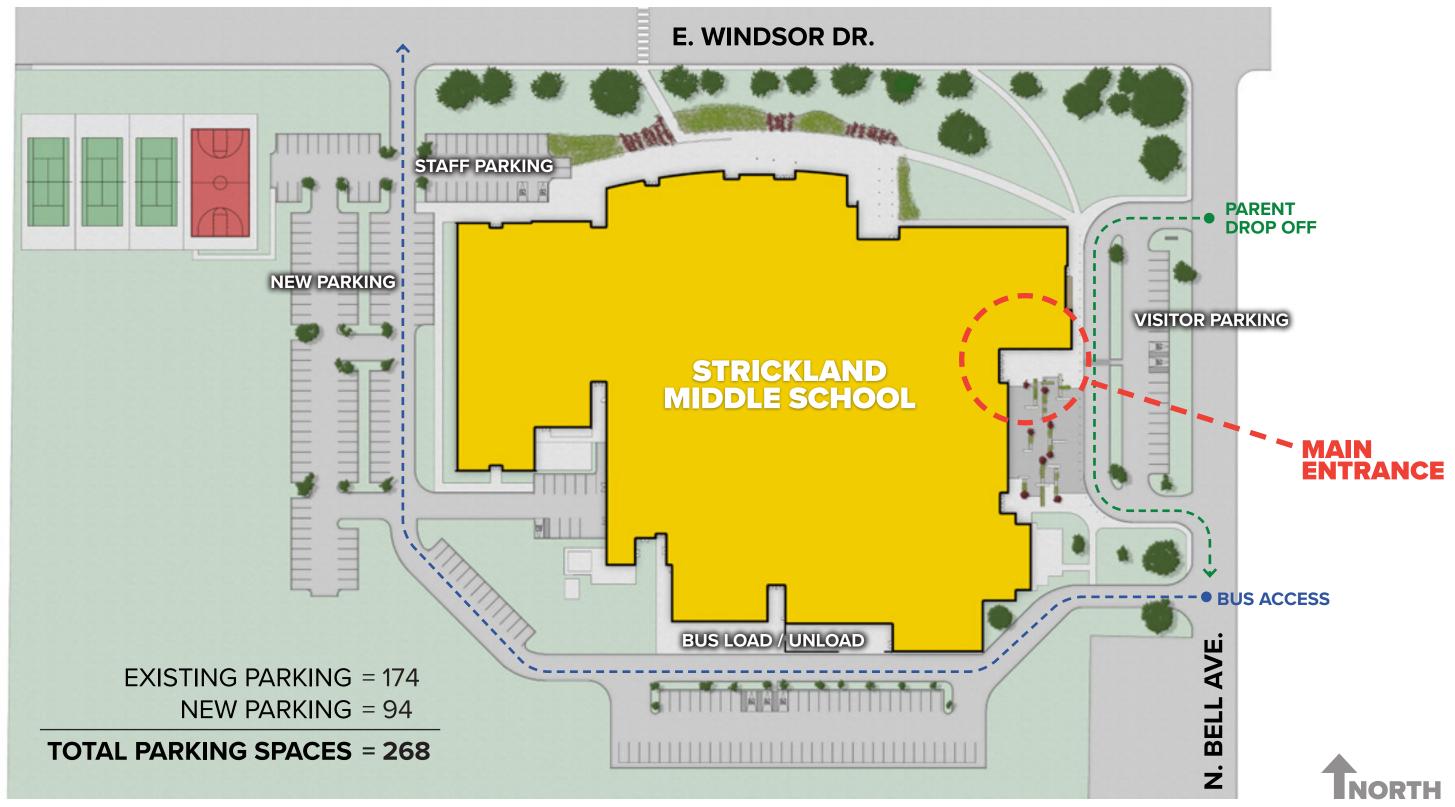


#### **EXISTING SITE PLAN**





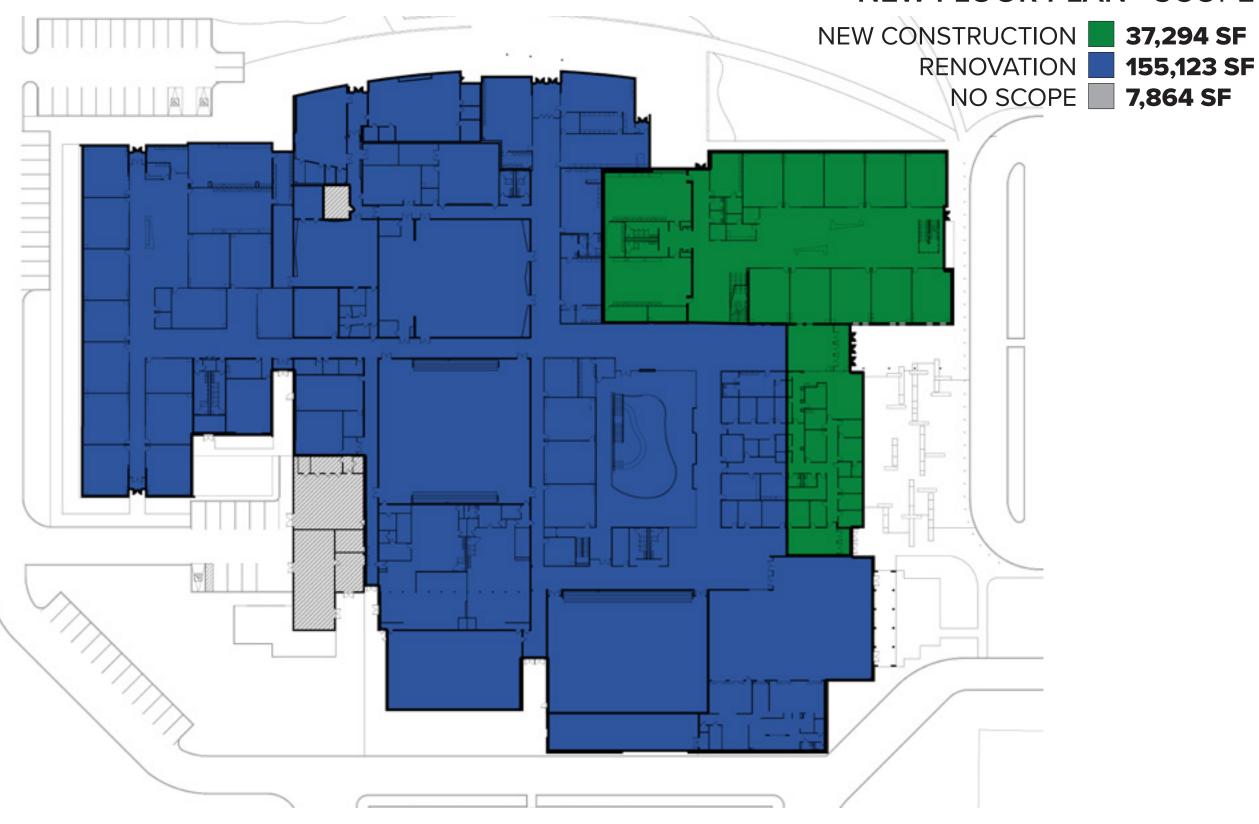
#### **NEW SITE PLAN / TRAFFIC PLAN**







**NEW FLOOR PLAN - SCOPE** 





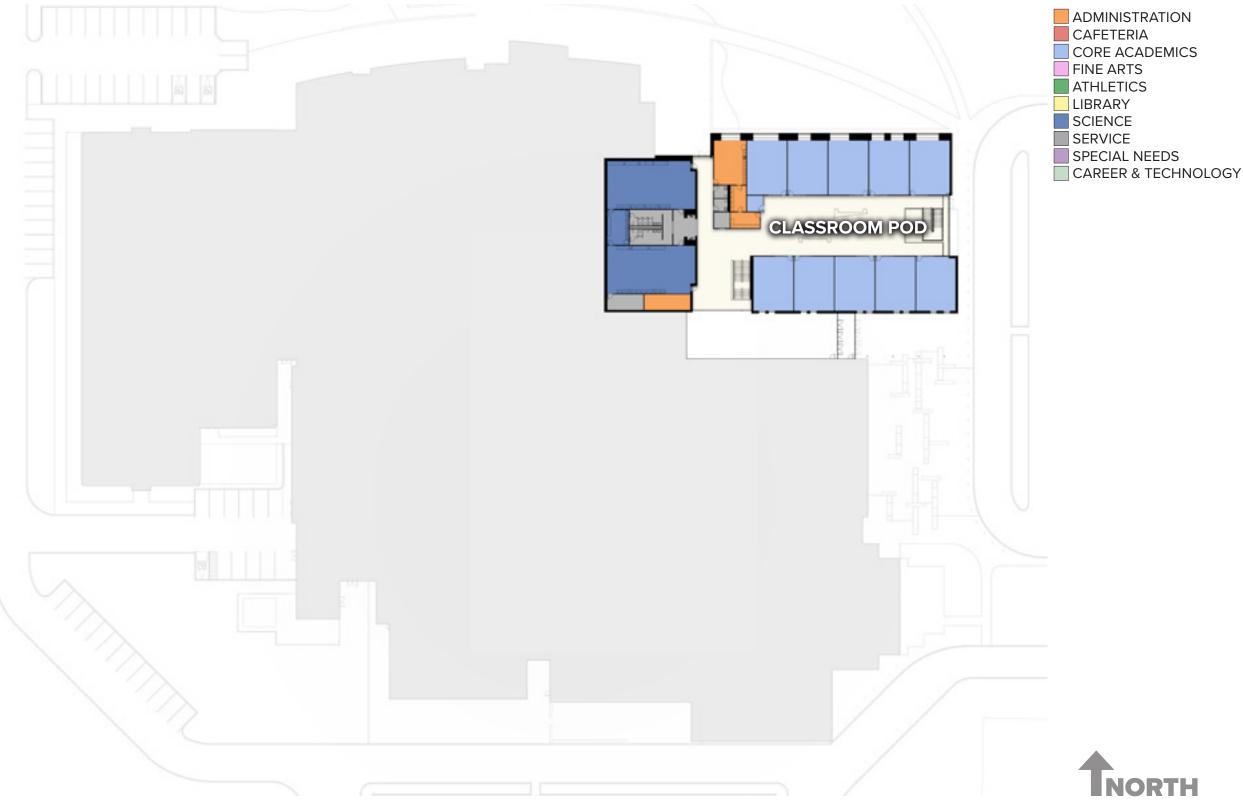
#### **NEW FLOOR PLAN** - LEVEL ONE







#### **NEW FLOOR PLAN** - LEVEL TWO







#### **NEW FLOOR PLAN - BASEMENT LEVEL**

ADMINISTRATION

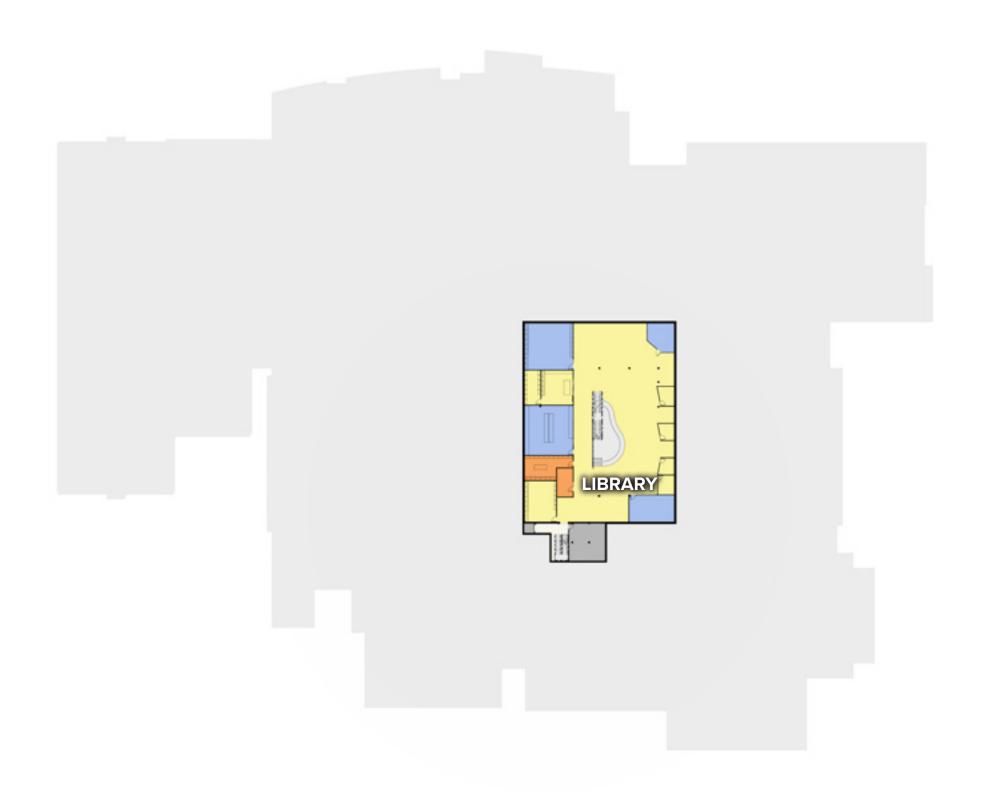
CORE ACADEMICS

CAFETERIA

FINE ARTS
ATHLETICS
LIBRARY
SCIENCE
SERVICE

SPECIAL NEEDS

CAREER & TECHNOLOGY









**CONCEPTUAL IMAGE - AERIAL FROM E. WINDSOR** 







# **CONCEPTUAL IMAGE - FRONT DOOR**





**CONCEPTUAL IMAGE - FRONT DOOR CLOSEUP** 







# **CONCEPTUAL IMAGE - COLLABORATION**







# **CONCEPTUAL IMAGE - COLLABORATION**





**CONCEPTUAL IMAGE - LIBRARY** 







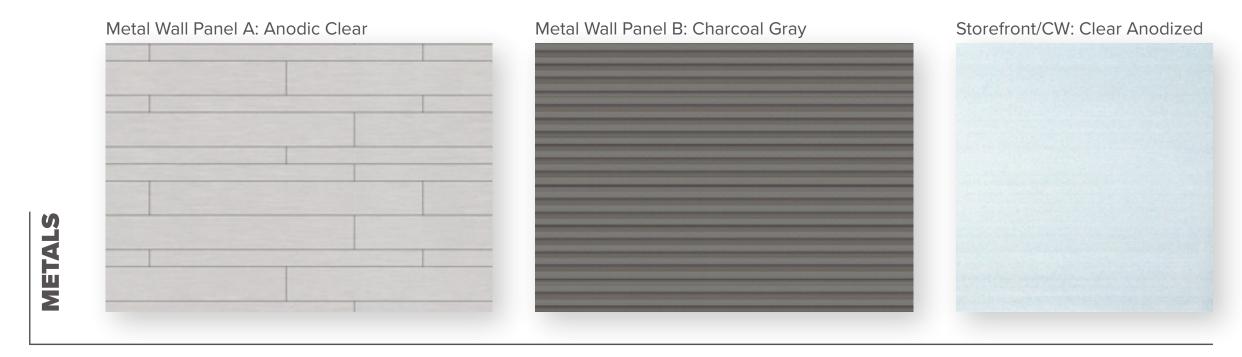
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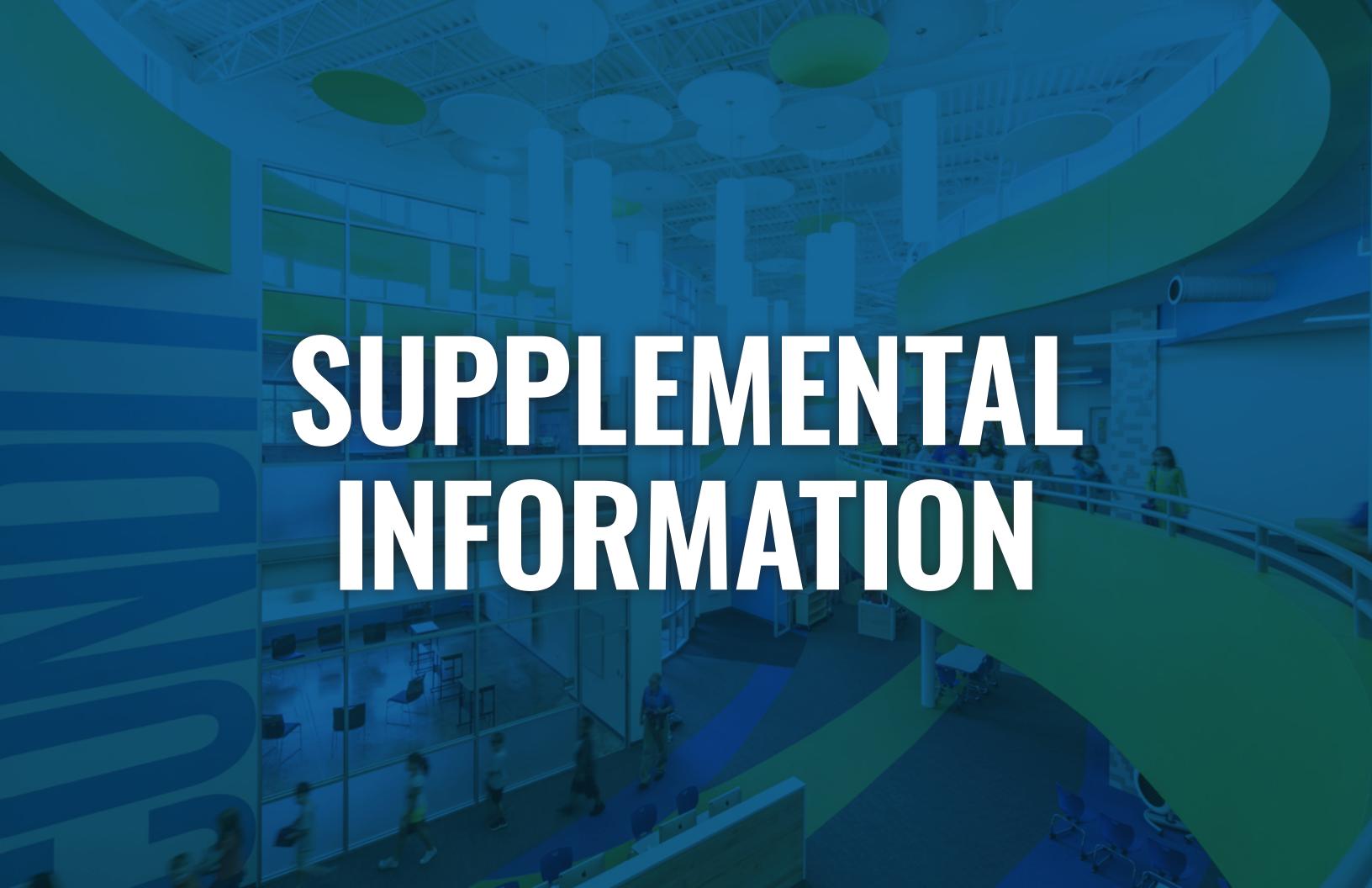
#### **EXTERIOR MATERIALS**



Brick Veneer A:
Existing Denton Blend

Brick Veneer B:
Charcoal Gray





# PROJECT PHASING PLAN





#### **NEXT STEPS**



PROJECT VISIONING



**VLK | CURATION** 



VLK | LAUNCH



**DESIGN DEVELOPMENT** 



CITY OF DENTON PRE-DEVELOPMENT



CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENT DEVELOPMENT

**NOW - FEB. 2019** 

**OUT FOR PROPOSALS** 

**FEB 2019** 

ANTICIPATED BOARD APPROVAL OF GMP

**MAR 2019** 

PHASED CONSTRUCTION START

**JUNE 2019** 

**CONSTRUCTION COMPLETION** 

**SUMMER 2021** 







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