

Banks School District Community Forum #2

Monday – October 28, 2024 – 6pm

Banks Rural Fire Station

In attendance: Ken Bell(BRIC), Marc Nordean(BRIC), Margaret Holland, Ayla Hofler, Elizabeth Dudley, Valeria McCraw, Dana Day, Walk Kennedy, Ron Frame, Sue Bair, Cassi Bergstrom, Jodi Hailey, Krista Hecardi, Sarah Anunsen, Carol Rosenblith

What is most important to you about the future of Banks Schools?

- New lockerrooms
- AC in the main gym
- Smart traffic flow
- Long light
- Low maintenance
- Keeping track open to the public
- Good parking
- Health and safety issues
- Technology availability
- Flexible learning spaces that can change as the need arises
- Safety—health, no mold, good air quality, proper heat, no structural deficiencies
- Traffic—Fix the hell that is our middle school/high school drop offs
- Seismically retrofit
- Traffic Flow
- Safety of student on campus during the day
- High school improvements need to be prioritized
- Preserving the admin building
- Safety
- New classrooms, buildings that students can be proud of (spend money of things that directly impact students)
- Traffic flow is important but secondary to new high school building/classrooms
- Not losing spaces for current programs—robotics, dance, etc...
- Elementary school parking
- Facilities that serve students for learning and also serve the community
- Aux gym—adequate seating on one side for spectators and room on the other for teams/scorers table
- Elementary school must be secure in its entirety. No visibility from Bank and In/Out and no climbing of fence from Main st and others.
- Finish the original plan to have the bridge over to the Health Science building that was proposed
- Save BRICKS from Admin bldg. to make patio/entrance by doing a buy a brick program
- Preserve well
- Emergency water and power sources for community emergency use

- Safety and Security!!!
- Facilities that offer the best settings for learning and growth
- Safety at all schools from school shootings/all doors locked/visitors buzzed in, cameras and other security measure
- Fencing outside to keep unauthorized people out—Especially at the Elementary School
- Re-pave elementary school playground blacktop...currently to rough and jagged
- As much natural light/windows as possible for a bright learning environment at the new high school building

What would make this bond program feel successful to you?

- Safer classrooms
- Safer traffic flow
- On time/On budget
- Opportunity for the public to continue to give community input on the new building
- Complete on time
- Replace significant portion of the high school
- No more really bad deferred maintenance projects left
- Due diligence will be important in figuring out cost
- Architecturally needs to be usable and not make to be on front page of magazine
- Real engagement with the community to decide how to value the admin building
- Upgraded school
- Safety
- An updated campus that the entire community is proud of and all feel that their priorities have been heard
- Information—keeping the flow of information up to date to the public to keep the rumor mill at bay
- Achieving these goals!
- Lots of communication and asking for input
- Place children feel safe and proud to go to school
- Make the most of the money while still make some aesthetic choices (when possible)