

Driscoll Park & Playground Community Design & Approval

A Robust Eight Year Process, 2014-2022

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March 2019

Driscoll Neighborhood/Community Forum

Deficient Spaces in Driscoll Today

Outdoor areas

- Outdoor play space inadequate and poorly organized
- **Field regularly not usable because of wet or muddy conditions**
- Inadequate playground space for Extended Day (can't get licensed)

In 2014

“Unusable Playfield”

was a

critical community
concern

In March 2019: still a
“Top Concern”

May 2019

Schematic Design Final Report



Quotes three prior meetings
where turf was specifically discussed:

Building Committee, February 8, 2019, p.2

"Historically, the Driscoll community asked for a turf field to Parks & Rec. Turf is a good option for students on wet days as a safer option to wet playground equipment. Recommend to carry turf option as a line item in the pricing."

SD Cost Estimate, February 28, 2019, p.17

Line 447 Synthetic turf: soccer field and play areas

Line 451 Synthetic turf surface

SD Cost Report, April 26, 2019, p.37

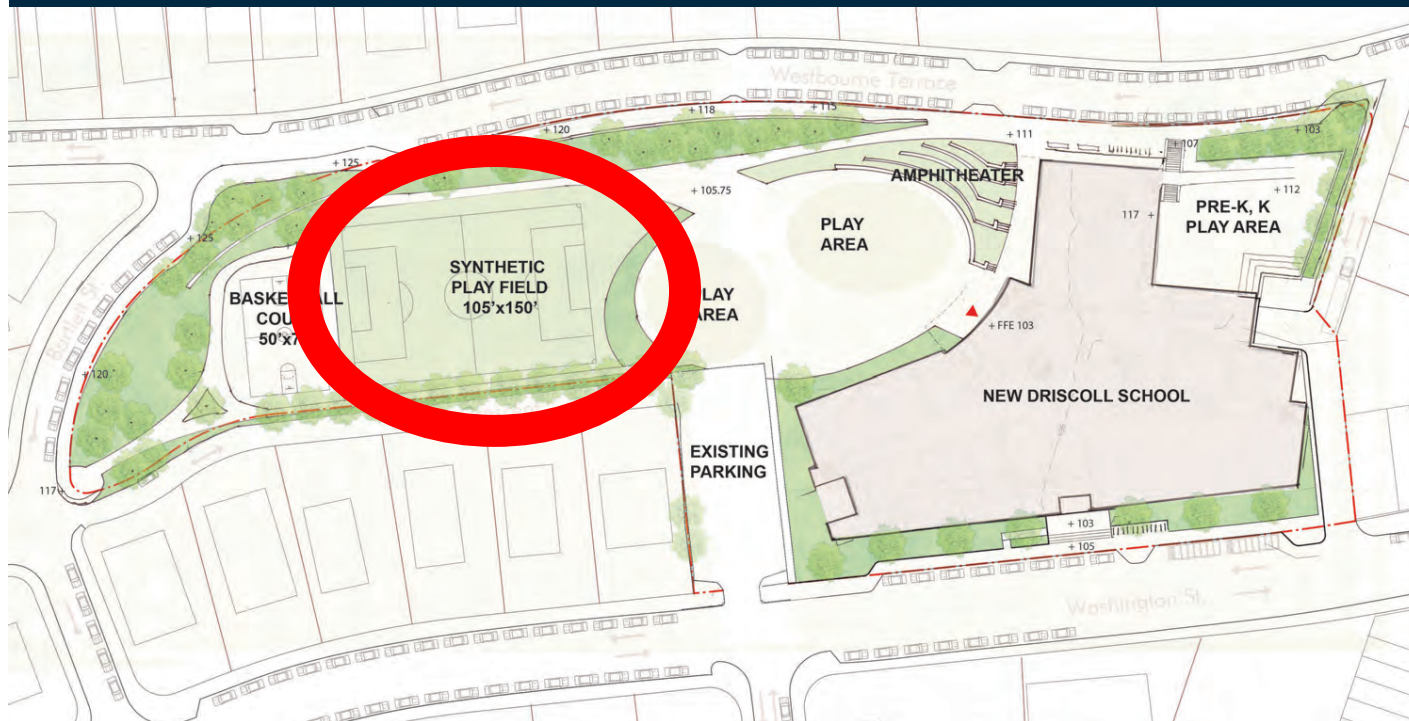
Line 32-93-00 Turf and Grasses

(also before the 1st override vote, May 2019)

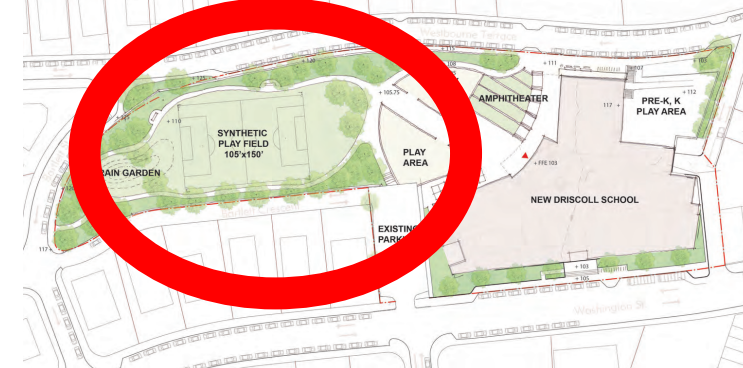
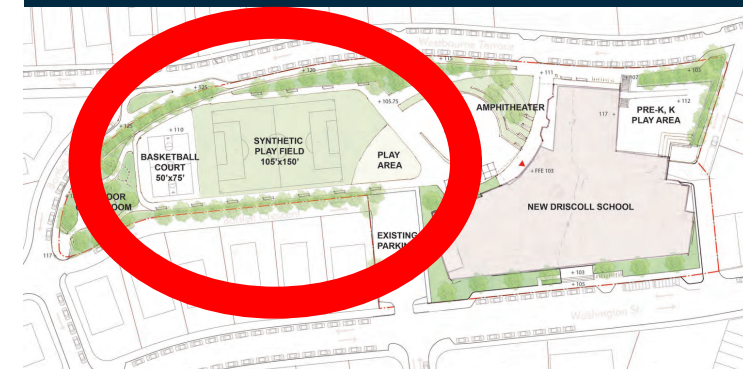
January 29, 2020

1st of 4 “Park & Playground” Community Forums

Test Fit Concepts Option A



Test Fit Concepts Option B



March 2, 2020

2nd of 4 “Park & Playground” Community Forums

Community Comments Received

GENERAL

- Provide sufficient play areas during construction
- Building Demolition MUST be done safely
- Provide shade trees throughout
- Design play areas and select plantings for educational opportunities
- Maintain sight lines throughout site
- Provide varied types of gathering and seating opportunities
- Utilize native plantings

PLAY FIELDS

- Synthetic turf preferred for more use
- Coconut fiber infill, not rubber
- No grass between synthetic turf and School – turns to mud

PLAYGROUNDS/HARD COURT AREAS

- Include: Hopscotch, GaGa pit & basketball court
- Should 3 play areas be merged?
- Planted areas within hardscape for spatial definition and shade

OTHER PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS

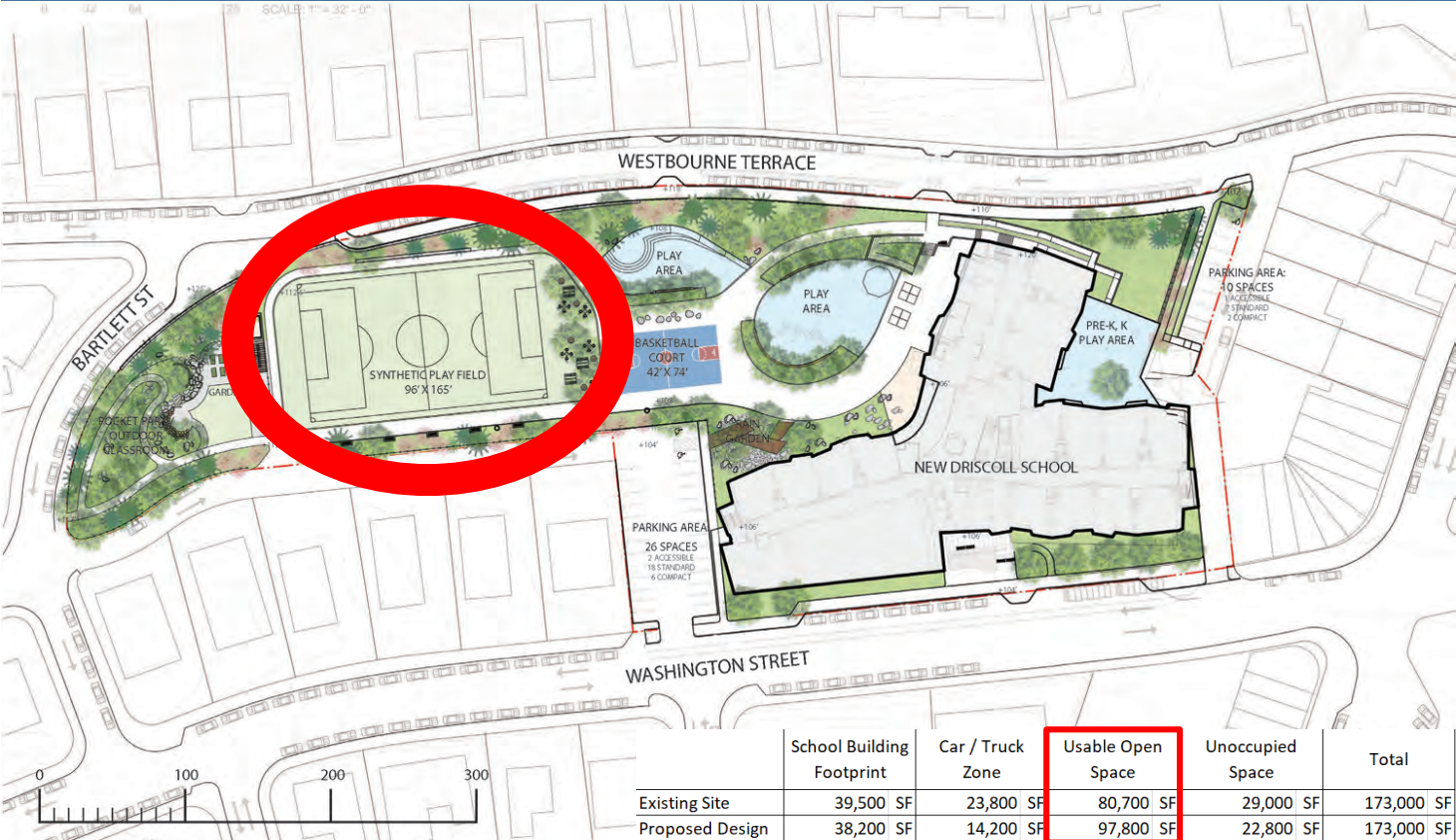
- Outdoor Classroom space
- Garden program
- Splash Pad or connection to water
- Bird Sanctuary
- Rain Garden
- Walking Paths
- Some desired tennis courts while others felt they were underutilized
- Amphitheaters: Safety & utilization?
- Program for existing memorials



April 13, 2020

3rd of 4 “Park & Playground” Community Forums

Preferred Concept



May 6, 2020

4th of 4 Town of Brookline Community Meetings

Michael Driscoll School Project



Demobilize October 2023

June 8, 2020

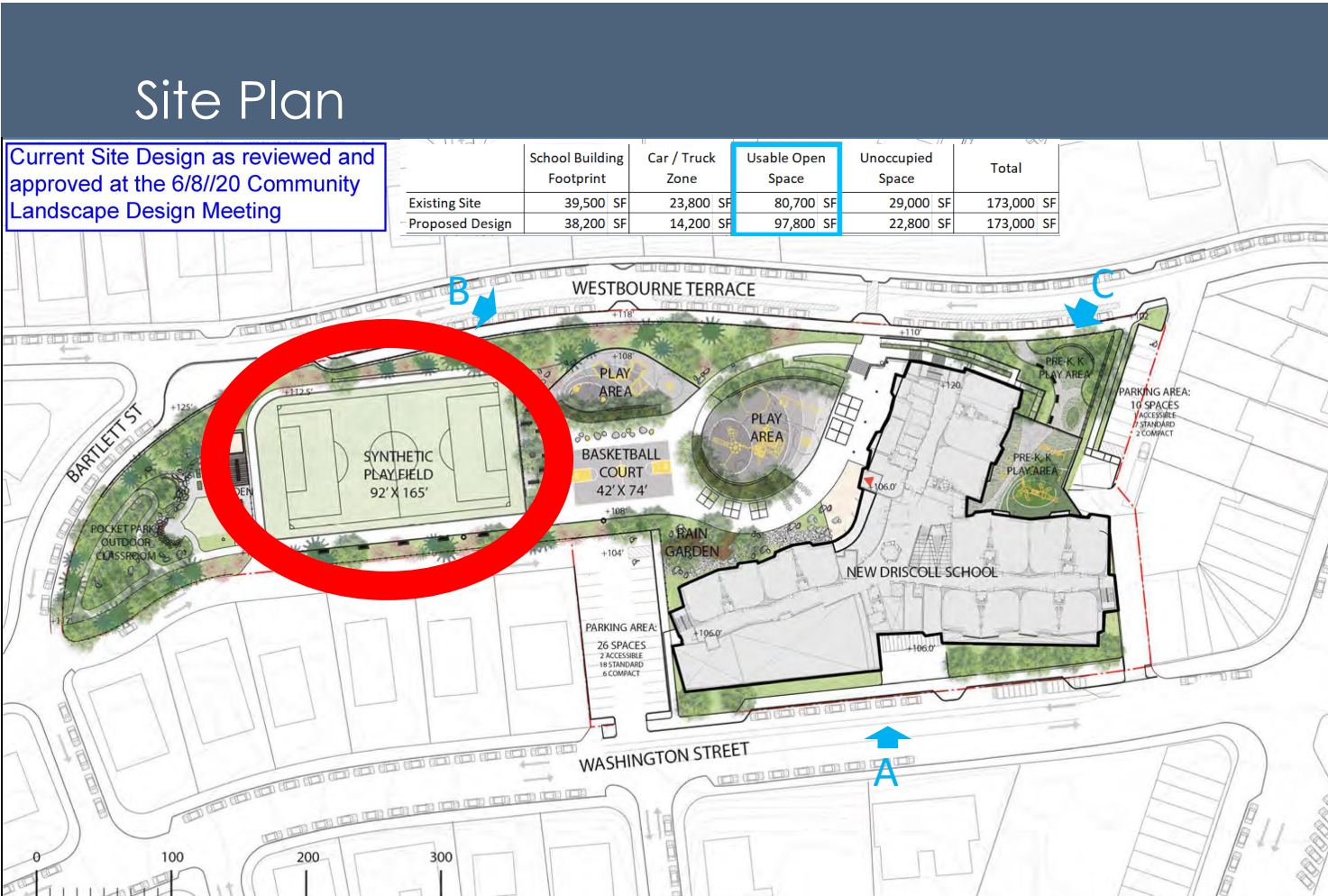
FIFTH of 4 "Park & Playground" Community Forums

Concept Design



June 17, 2020

Town Planning Board DAT (Design Advisory Team)



November 5, 2020

ZBA (Brookline Zoning Board of Appeals)

Site Plan

Current Site Design as reviewed and approved at the 6/8/20 Community Landscape Design Meeting

	School Building Footprint	Car / Truck Zone	Usable Open Space	Unoccupied Space	Total
Existing Site	39,500 SF	23,800 SF	80,700 SF	29,000 SF	173,000 SF
Proposed Design	38,200 SF	14,200 SF	97,800 SF	22,800 SF	173,000 SF



December 15, 2020

“The Trees” Community Forum

Current Site Design as reviewed and approved at the 6/8/20 Community Landscape Design Meeting



May 20, 2021

Building Committee Community Meeting

Image from 10/15/20
Planning Board Meeting



Dozens of public meetings and documents — discussing and approving synthetic turf by at least nine (9) Town Boards/Commissions since 2019

you can find them online:

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Building Projects / Presentations and Materials - Driscoll

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Presentations & Materials - Driscoll School Building Project

To view presentations and materials related to the Driscoll School Building Project, please click on the links below:

Construction Phase - Presentations & Materials

- May 10, 2022 - Driscoll Synthetic Turf vs. Natural Sod Field Information
- May 6, 2022 - School Building Advisory Committee - Meeting Recording (Passcode: +A617JF)
- March 25, 2022 - Driscoll - Synthetic Turf Product Information - PFAS Testing
- March 18, 2022 - Traffic Management Plan (Sidewalk Closure for Crane)
- February 11, 2022 - School Building Advisory Committee - Meeting Minutes
- February 11, 2022 - School Building Advisory Committee - Meeting Recording (Passcode: Z5Sr2rb)
- February 11, 2022 - School Building Advisory Committee - Meeting Presentation
- February 4, 2022 - School Building Advisory Committee - Meeting Presentation
- November 5, 2021 - School Building Advisory Committee - Meeting Recording (Passcode: cR%,"a83)
- November 5, 2021 - School Building Advisory Committee - Meeting Minutes
- October 1, 2021 - School Building Advisory Committee - Presentation
- October 1, 2021 - School Building Advisory Committee - Meeting Minutes
- September 1, 2021 - Project Update from the Driscoll Project Team
- June 28, 2021 - Project Update from the Driscoll Project Team
- May 26, 2021 - Guaranteed Maximum Price Proposal

Design Development Phase - Presentations & Materials

- May 20, 2021 - School Building Advisory Committee - Presentation
- May 20, 2021 - School Building Advisory Committee - Meeting Minutes
- May 6, 2021 - Project Update from the Driscoll Principal and Project Team
- April 1, 2021 - School Building Advisory Committee - Meeting Minutes
- April 1, 2021 - School Building Advisory Committee - Presentation
- February 9, 2021 - HVAC Fossil Fuel Free Systems Comparison (Building Commission Presentation)
- February 4, 2021 - Geothermal O&A Document
- February 1, 2021 - Pre-Construction Presentation to Driscoll Building Advisory Committee
- February 1, 2021 - Recorded Meeting of Public Forum (Passcode: NYY64110)
- January 28, 2021 - School Building Advisory Committee - Presentation
- December 17, 2020 - School Building Advisory Committee - Meeting Minutes
- December 17, 2020 - School Building Advisory Committee - Presentation
- December 15, 2020 - Driscoll Street Tree Hearing - Presentation
- November 5, 2020 - Driscoll Zoning Board of Appeals Presentation

Owner's Project Manager (OPM) Reports

2022:

- April
- March
- February
- January

2021:

- December
- November
- October
- September
- August
- July
- June
- May
- April
- March
- February
- January

2020:

- December
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School Building Advisory Committee Meetings

- 05/06/2022 - Driscoll School Building Advisory Committee (SBAC) Meeting
Passcode: +A617JF
- 02/11/2022 - Driscoll School Building Advisory Committee (SBAC) Meeting
Passcode: Z5Sr2rb
- 11/05/2021 - Driscoll School Building Advisory Committee (SBAC) Meeting
Passcode: cR%,"a83
- 10/01/2021 - Driscoll School Building Advisory Committee (SBAC) Meeting
- First Half (Passcode: 52zr7t3)
- Second Half (Passcode: 76mLbG)
- 05/20/2021 - Driscoll School Building Advisory Committee (SBAC) Meeting
- 04/01/2021 - Driscoll School Building Advisory Committee (SBAC) Meeting

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Building Projects / Presentations and Materials - Driscoll

- 01/28/2021 - Driscoll School Building Advisory Committee (SBAC) Meeting

Construction Manager (CM) Reports

Architect:

- May 2022
- April 2022
- March 2022
- January 2022
- December 2021
- October 2021
- September 2021
- August 2021
- June 2021
- October 2020

- October 29, 2020 - School Building Advisory Committee - Meeting Minutes
- October 23, 2020 - Design Development Handbook
- October 19, 2020 - Transportation Board Meeting Presentation
- August 20, 2020 - School Building Advisory Committee - Meeting Minutes
- August 3, 2020 - Community Meeting Recorded Video (Passcode: Z5Sr2rb)
- August 3, 2020 - Community Meeting Presentation
- July 23, 2020 - School Building Advisory Committee - Meeting Minutes
- June 25, 2020 - School Building Advisory Committee - Meeting Minutes
- June 17, 2020 - Design Advisory Team Presentation
- June 8, 2020 - Community Meeting Recorded Video
- June 8, 2020 - Community Meeting Presentation
- May 21, 2020 - School Building Advisory Committee - Design Subcommittee Meeting Minutes
- May 6, 2020 - Community Meeting Recorded Video
- May 6, 2020 - Community Meeting Presentation
- May 4, 2020 - School Building Advisory Committee - Design Subcommittee Presentation
- April 23, 2020 - Sustainability Update Video Meeting
- April 23, 2020 - Sustainability Update Presentation
- April 16, 2020 - School Building Advisory Committee Presentation
- April 16, 2020 - School Building Advisory Committee - Design Subcommittee Meeting Minutes
- April 13, 2020 - Driscoll Park and Playground Community Forum Presentation
- March 30, 2020 - School Building Advisory Committee - Design Subcommittee Presentation
- March 30, 2020 - School Building Advisory Committee - Design Subcommittee Meeting Minutes
- March 19, 2020 - School Building Advisory Committee Presentation
- March 19, 2020 - School Building Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
- March 18, 2020 - School Building Advisory Committee - Design Subcommittee Presentation
- March 18, 2020 - School Building Advisory Committee - Design Subcommittee Meeting Minutes
- March 11, 2020 - School Building Advisory Committee - Design Subcommittee Presentation
- March 11, 2020 - School Building Advisory Committee - Design Subcommittee Meeting Minutes
- March 2, 2020 - Landscape and Playground Presentation
- February 28, 2020 - School Building Advisory Committee Presentation
- February 28, 2020 - School Building Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
- February 10, 2020 - School Building Advisory Committee - Design Subcommittee Presentation
- February 10, 2020 - School Building Advisory Committee - Design Subcommittee Meeting Minutes
- February 3, 2020 - School Building Advisory Committee - Design Subcommittee Presentation
- February 3, 2020 - School Building Advisory Committee - Design Subcommittee Meeting Minutes
- January 30, 2020 - School Committee Presentation
- January 29, 2020 - Driscoll Park and Playground Community Forum Presentation
- January 23, 2020 - School Building Advisory Committee Presentation
- January 23, 2020 - School Building Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
- January 14, 2020 - Building Commission Presentation
- January 9, 2020 - School Building Advisory Committee Presentation

Schematic Design Phase - Presentations & Materials

- November 12, 2019 - Select Board Presentation Cost and Schedule Update
- May 22, 2019 - Driscoll Schematic Design Drawings
- May 22, 2019 - Driscoll Schematic Design Outline Specifications
- May 22, 2019 - Driscoll Schematic Design Report
- March 20, 2019 - Neighborhood Community Forum Presentation
- March 12, 2019 - Brookline Building Commission

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Building Projects / Presentations and Materials - Driscoll

- March 7, 2019 - School Building Committee Presentation
- March 5, 2019 - Select Board Presentation on Final Schematic Design and Project Costs
- February 28, 2019 - Final Schematic Design Presentation - Presented at School Committee
- February 16, 2019 - "Fly-through" Video of Driscoll School Schematic Design
- February 8, 2019 - Building Committee Presentation
- January 28, 2019 - Staff Parking Plan Request from School Committee
- January 28, 2019 - Traffic Impact Assessment Presentation to the Transportation Board
- January 24, 2019 - School Building Committee Presentation
- January 22, 2019 - Places for the Mind Presentation by Jonathan Levi
- January 17, 2019 - Driscoll School Staff Parking Options Presentation
- January 15, 2019 - School Building Committee Presentation

Design & Feasibility Phase - Presentations & Materials

- November 29, 2018 - Capital and Schools Subcommittees Joint Hearing on Warrant Articles 2, 3, and 4 Presentation
- November 27, 2018 - 9th School Ad Hoc Subcommittee Public Meeting Presentation
- November 27, 2018 - Enrollment Update from Superintendent Boff
- November 27, 2018 - Overcrowding and Substandard Spaces in K-8 Schools Memo
- November 27, 2018 - School Committee and Select Board Joint Public Hearings on Warrant Articles 2, 3, and 4 Presentation
- November 26, 2018 - School Building Committee Presentation
- November 15, 2018 - School Building Committee Presentation
- November 15, 2018 - Project Evaluation - Architect's Narrative
- November 1, 2018 - School Building Committee Presentation
- November 1, 2018 - Driscoll School FINAL DRAFT Space Summary
- November 1, 2018 - Summary of Preliminary Design Alternatives (excerpted from 6/11/17 SRC Presentation)
- October 29, 2018 - Neighborhood Community Forum Presentation
- October 18, 2018 - School Building Committee Presentation
- October 9, 2018 - Select Board Public Hearing Presentation
- October 4, 2018 - School Building Committee Presentation
- October 2, 2018 - Tentative Project Schedule
- September 25, 2018 - Neighborhood Community Forum Presentation
- September 22, 2018 - Education Visioning Session Presentation
- June 20 and 21, 2018 - Driscoll Community Meeting - Introduction to Feasibility Phase

The presentations and studies below pertain to the 9th School Alternative Site Study that resulted in selecting Driscoll for renovation and expansion. For more information about the 9th School Alternative Site Study, please click [here](#).

Notation: Presentations, and Studies Related to 9th School Alternative Site Study Final Report

- Video of June 13 Joint Board Meeting including vote on site selection
- June 6, 2018 Public Hearing - Alternative Site Study Presentation
- Video of June 6 Public Hearing
- May 17 Presentation of Alternative Site Study Report
- Video of May 17 Joint Board Meeting on the Alternative Site Study