# Brookline High School Expansion Update for the Classes of 2023 & 2024



# Tonight's Agenda



- 1. Staying Informed
- 2. BHS Educational Vision
- 3. Overview BHS Expansion & Renovation
- 4. The 9th Grade Experience Classes of 2023 & 2024
  - Old Lincoln School and 115 Greenough
  - Cohorted Travel
  - Safety during Construction

# Staying Informed



- The Website = Information Central
- Email updates from head of school Anthony Meyer to all families
- BHS Building Committee Meetings
- The Website
- Bulletin Boards outside the school
- Did we mention the website?

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#### **BHS Educational Vision**



#### Engage All Students More Deeply

• Provide opportunities for students to explore, investigate, create, collaborate, solve problems that matter to them, take action, impact their classmates and their community, and make choices about what they study

#### Serve and Support All Students

• Equity of access, support and outcomes so that all students can thrive and become academically successful members of our school community.

#### Expand BHS and Maintain a Cohesive, Unified Campus

• Build an integrated campus that supports our values of high academic achievement for all students, respect for and understanding of human differences, collaborative relationships, and educational equity.

#### **BHS Expansion Project Overview**





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#### Project Timeline



- Demolition of Roberts Wing and 111 Cypress expected to begin in **late June 2019**.
  - Between June 2019 and Sept.2019, Skanska will prepare the Roberts Wing at the corner of Tappan and Greenough for demolition by building a new utility tunnel, relocating utility services, relocating walkways, installing safety and wayfinding signage, and constructing safety barriers. Demolition will begin before the opening of school in Sept.
  - Preparation for demolition of the building located at 111 Cypress Street will begin in June 2019 and demolition of that building will being in July 2019.
- The Science Center should be ready for classes during the Spring Term of the 2020/2021 school year.
- New construction at 111 Cypress is planned to begin Sept. 2019. New construction for the new STEM addition is planned to begin Nov. 2019. Expected occupancy of the new building at 111 Cypress is June 2021.
- Tappan Gym and Kirrane Pool remain in service for bulk of project while improvements are being made. The reconstruction of the 3rd floor science classrooms should be completed for the beginning of the 2021/2022 school year.

#### Project Timeline



- Hill International, the project manager, will be notifying neighbors and residents of ahead of time of any instances of excessive noise, work done during late hours, and other potential disruptions.
- Preliminary timeline of deliveries and opportunity for construction Q&A will happen next Wednesday, March 27th at the BHS Building Committee Meeting at Town Hall, 7:00 p.m.

#### The 9th Grade Experience - Classes of 2023 & 2024







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#### 9th Grade - Classes of 2023 and 2024



By being at 115 Greenough and Old Lincoln School, the Classes of 2023 and 2024 will immediately be able to experience the full range of BHS's programs and will quickly become members of our community.

- 9th grade students will continue to be exposed to the depth and breadth of our elective program as well as the range of academic supports.
- 9th grade students will continue to have access to Career and Tech Education, Performing Arts, and Visual Arts
- Old Lincoln used primarily for academic subjects
- 115 Greenough used primarily for electives, wellness, and academic support
- 9th Graders will have a dedicated and robust administrative and guidance team at OLS
- Before and after school academic support will be provided at both locations

# Getting OLS Ready for the Class of 2023



Modifications to OLS include:

- Using gymnasium as teaching space-- travelling wall in place so it can be used as two physics classrooms
- Expansion of nurse/clinic space
- Maximizing use of space for classrooms to avoid the need for portable classrooms
- Schedule modifications and adjustments to make the small cafeteria work



- 9th graders will be assigned to one of two "cohorts"
- One cohort starts the day at OLS and travels to 115 Greenough after their academic courses
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- Students will transition only once per day
- Administrators, security staff, and Brookline police will facilitate approximately 250-275 students traveling at one time
- Almost all students will walk. Vans and/or a bus will be available for students with mobility needs
- Alternate schedules or travel plans will be made in the rare event that the Brookline Public Health Department declares that outside travel is unsafe



































# Staying Informed/Providing Input



- The Website = Information Central
- Ask questions or make comments via the website



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