

District Operations

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Potential Middle School Consolidation FAQs

What renovation opportunities are available at existing facilities?

Renovation construction priorities were established early in the Bond 2021 process. They are, in order:

1. **Security and Life Safety** – secured front-entry vestibules
2. **Building Envelope** – roof, windows, doors, and masonry
3. **Learning Environment** – common areas, classrooms, and collaboration spaces
4. **Systems and Components** – HVAC, plumbing, etc.
5. **Campus Capacity** – adding capacity where needed to eliminate portables

Bond dollars will be allocated to complete as many priorities as possible at each site. Safety and security updates will be the highest priority, particularly as none of the potentially consolidating campuses have secure entry vestibules allowing campus administration to tightly control site access.

Next up would be addressing building envelope issues, ensuring wind and water are not able to penetrate the building. After that, renovation efforts would focus on improvements to the learning environment in alignment with the TEA Facility Standards.

Given the extensive site deficiencies discovered at our aging campuses, not all items will be resolved with the budget available.

What construction opportunities are available by consolidating campuses at a new middle school?

Constructing a new campus ensures that every space in the building meets modern code requirements, is ADA accessible, and conforms to TEA's 2021 School Facilities Standards. Many of these items that cannot be accomplished at our current sites.

What is the ideal student enrollment for middle schools?

While there is much research regarding

How would we preserve existing history and build community at a consolidated campus?

Our existing schools have decades of history and a unique culture at their respective sites, which is something to consider with any consolidation. Should campuses merge into a new facility, a primary focus will be creating a welcoming, unified campus community at the new site that honors the history and experiences of its members.