

Arlington Local School District

New Building Update - June 15, 2023

On May 31, the teaching staff participated in a professional development designed around teaching in a new building entitled *Educational and Facility Alignment*. Staff were provided the opportunity to discuss and capture what a “Best Day” of learning looks like and how the new building we construct would provide more “Best Days” of learning. The conversation was around the educational spaces and their impact on student learning.

On June 1, a group of 36 individuals representing the school staff and the community took a tour of three very different buildings to capture what we might like to have in our new building and what we definitely don’t want in our new building. The buildings we toured included Botkins, Ridgemont, and Carey schools. After the tours, each individual was given the opportunity to complete a survey for Fanning/Howey to gather information about the likes and dislikes that were seen. This information will be used as we move forward with the design and build phase of the project over the next year.

On June 7, we met with three different commissioning agents and picked Osborn Engineering as Arlington’s Commissioning Agent for the new building project. The commissioning agent is a firm that works on the school’s behalf to ensure that the building systems are installed and operating per their design. They also make sure that what the architect designs, the builders are able to build.

On June 14, the core team met with Fanning/Howey to have a preliminary discussion about site plans for the new building. This included looking at access to the new school, the school’s orientation, traffic flow, safety concerns, the need for new athletic facilities and how all of these pieces fit together on the school campus.

Construction Manager at Risk (CMR) interviews and selections are still scheduled to take place in late June.