

# Needham Public Schools ~ Middle Level

## High Rock & Pollard

### **Middle School Reunification Project**

**Wednesday, May 28, 2025**

**Pollard Library**

*Morning Session 8:30am - 11:30pm*

*Afternoon Session 1:00pm - 2:45pm*

**Morning Participants:** NPS Educational Leaders and Town Building Project Members

**Afternoon Participants:** NPS Middle School Teachers, Educational Leaders and Town BP Members

#### **Morning Main Topics:**

- Introductions
- MSBA Process
- Preliminary Schedule
- Educational Program Document

#### **Afternoon Main Topics:**

- Introductions
- Overview of Building Project Timeline
- Reunification Visioning

#### **Morning Meeting objectives:**

- ❖ To meet with members of the architectural team and project manager.
- ❖ To learn about the current status and next steps with the Town Project Manager and Architectural Firm.
- ❖ To identify and discuss the questions and considerations that may exist for educational leaders as we embark on this process. What will be the structure and process?
- ❖ To examine the Educational Plan Draft Document and discuss revisions.

#### **Afternoon Meeting objectives:**

- ❖ To meet with members of the architectural team and project manager.
- ❖ To learn about the project timeline and summer meetings for architectural visioning.
- ❖ To identify the strengths, challenges, gains and losses that may come from a reunified middle school program.
- ❖ To begin discussing the emotional, cultural, and community aspects of reunification.

# Needham Public Schools ~ Middle Level

## High Rock & Pollard

<b>Time Frame of Activities</b>		
<b>Time</b>	<b>Minutes</b>	<b>Morning Session - Led by Carmen &amp; Town Team</b>
<i>breakfast Items &amp; Coffee 8:00 - 8:30am</i>		
<b>8:30-8:40</b>	10	Introductions
<b>8:40-9:10</b>	30	Outline of MSBA Process
<b>9:10-9:30</b>	20	Preliminary Schedule & Timelines
<b>9:30-10:15</b>	45	Questions and Considerations
<b>10:15-10:30</b>	15	BREAK
<b>10:30-11:30</b>	60	Educational Program Document
<b>11:30</b>	END	End Morning Meeting - Lunch on Own
<i>Lunch On Own 11:30 - 1:00pm</i>		
<b>Time</b>	<b>Minutes</b>	<b>Afternoon Session - Led by Jessica &amp; Tamatha</b>
<b>1:00-1:10</b>	10	Introductions
<b>1:10-1:30</b>	20	Building Project Timeline & Summer Architectural Visioning Mtngs
<b>1:30-2:30</b>	60	Visioning & Values Examine Current Reality, Envision a New Reality, Identify Values [Organizing Adults, Centering Students, Linking Teaching & Learning]
<b>2:30-2:45</b>	15	Next Steps - Now until September
<b>2:45</b>	END	End Afternoon Meeting

# Needham Public Schools ~ Middle Level High Rock & Pollard

## **Step 3: Envision a New Reality for the School** (done after watching the video)

---

### Small Group: Organizing Adults

If we begin to imagine our school with the adult collaboration we aspire to, what would that look like? List no more than four ideas that the group can really get behind.

### Small Group: Centering Students

If we begin to imagine our school as a student-centered, positive environment where all students feel connected to the school, what would that look like? List no more than four ideas that the group can really get behind.

### Small Group: Linking Teaching and Learning

If we begin to imagine our school with the quality of teaching and/or learning we aspire to, what would that look like? List no more than four ideas that the group can really get behind.