

MATT KELLY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REPLACEMENT PROJECT



COMMUNITY MEETING #3

FEBRUARY 11, 2025, 6:00 PM PST
AT MATT KELLY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

A GREAT SCHOOL DESERVES A GREAT BUILDING!

OVERVIEW

The final public meeting for input on the design process for the Matt Kelly Elementary School (MKES) Replacement Project consisted of viewing a 3D rendering video and an interactive 'Gallery Walk' experience, allowing attendees to engage with the latest design updates and project timeline.

The 9 building renderings, displaying the building layouts for indoor and outdoor learning spaces, were created from the feedback collected from the two previous community meetings.

ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

- One interactive activity: 'Gallery Walk' experience
- 3D rendering video on loop throughout the meeting
- Live feedback and questions from attendees

NOTABLE COMMUNITY LEADERS

- CCSD Interim Superintendent, Brenda Larsen-Mitchell
- Ward 5 Councilwoman, Shondra Summers-Armstrong
- School Board Trustee, District C, Tameka Henry
- Current MKES teachers, staff, & alumni
- Former Assemblyman Gene Collins
- Faith-based leaders from the neighborhood

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KEY ISSUES MENTIONED:

- Safety and accessibility
- Children from the neighborhood not returning to the school post-construction (repeating history)
- Curriculum changes
- Fair disciplinary actions
- Air quality during construction
- Lack of HBCU representation (no representation among the other schools in the MPR)

EVENT STATS

- Attendees: 60 (including parents, staff, community leaders, students, and alumni) – engagement goal met.
- Comments: 12 sticky note comments

EVENT INSIGHTS

- Nine architectural renderings
- The event space was arranged in a U-shape with renderings displayed gallery-style around seating area.
- Catering provided by Gritz Café
- Guests were encouraged to sign photo waivers upon entry
- Concluded with an open comment session, where guests encouraged ongoing advocacy for education.
- The comments submitted in writing and verbally confirmed that the design team captured the community's comments.