

Proposed Relocation of Burtonsville Elementary School

Background

- In November 2021, the Board of Education approved the Burtonsville Elementary School addition project with a completion date of August 2025.
- In May 2022, the County Council delayed this project by two years (August 2027), but maintained a portion of the planning funds.
- In November 2022, the Board of Education approved to construct a new Burtonsville Elementary School at another location instead of building an addition at the existing school.

Site Selection

MCPS staff evaluated potential elementary school sites within the Burtonsville Elementary School service area. Of the potential sites, only one is owned by the Board of Education. The others are current park sites owned by the Maryland-National Park and Planning Commission. In 2019, as part of the Montgomery County Planning Board resolution for Site Plan No. 82005006A, the Board of Education acquired Northeast Consortium Elementary School #17. This 10.95-acre future school site is located at Saddle Creek Drive and Bentley Park Drive.

Superintendent's Recommendation

After a thorough analysis of the potential sites, the superintendent recommends to relocate Burtonsville Elementary School to the Northeast Consortium Elementary School #17 site.



Community Engagement and Timeline

- On February 23, 2023, the Board of Education will conduct a work session on the superintendent's recommendation to relocate Burtonsville Elementary School to the Northeast Consortium Elementary School #17 site.
- On March 9, 2023, the Board of Education will hold a public hearing for community members to have the opportunity to provide feedback on the superintendent's recommendation.
- On March 14, 2023, the Board of Education will hold a second work session to discuss the public hearing testimony in response to the superintendent's recommendation.
- On March 28, 2023, the Board of Education will take final action on the superintendent's recommendation.

For information on how to provide public testimony please visit <https://www2.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/boe/community/participation/>, call 240-740-3030 or email BOETestimony@mcpsmd.org.

Next Steps

- If approved by the Board of Education:
 - Architect selection process (spring/summer 2023).
 - Community engagement meetings (2023-2024 school year) for the planning/design of the new elementary school.