

# Van Ness School Improvement Team

October 14, 2015



## Outline

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- Introductions
- DCPS School Improvement Team Process Overview
- Phase I Closeout
- Next Steps
  - Design
  - Construction

There are 3 key objectives that are guiding how we are improving and modifying the School Modernization and SIT process



## Improved Communication and Transparency is key to an effective SIT

Having clear communications plans for each SIT will ensure information flows in a two-way direction during the School Modernization Process.

### Dedicated Point of Contact

- Dedicated DCPS SIT Coordinator for each project who will serve as the SIT co-chair.
- The SIT Coordinator will organize and facilitate the SIT meetings and liaise between school leadership, DCPS Central Office, and DGS.

### Meeting Notifications

- Meeting dates will be set and posted at least 3 weeks in advance.

### Dedicated Website

- Webpage managed by the SIT Coordinator for each project to include project details, materials from previous meetings, and notifications.

### Meeting Minutes

- DCPS will circulate and post meeting minutes after every SIT meeting

### Bi-Weekly Email Updates

- To include design and construction updates, follow-up responses to unanswered questions during the SIT meeting and responses to email questions sent to the SIT Coordinator.

# Improved accountability for all stakeholders through clear roles and responsibilities



## Key Stakeholders and Activities

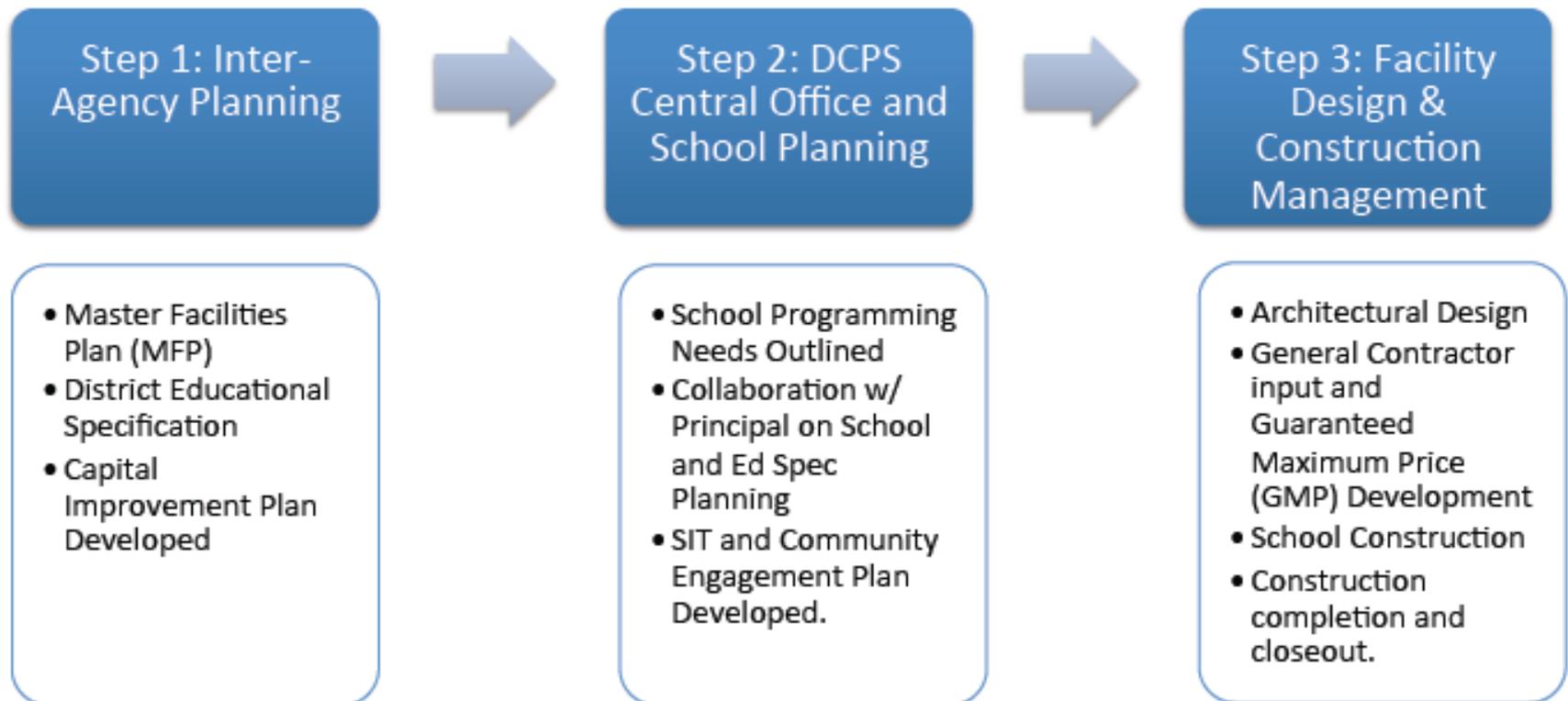
Activity	DCPS	DGS	SIT
District Ed Specs	Lead	Support	N/A
SIT Facilitation	Lead	Support	N/A
Program Planning and School Ed Specifications	Lead	Support	Support
Architectural Design	Support	Lead	Support
Design Approval	Lead	Support	Support
Construction	Support	Lead	N/A
Community Engagement	Lead	Support	Support

## SIT Member Key Role and Responsibilities

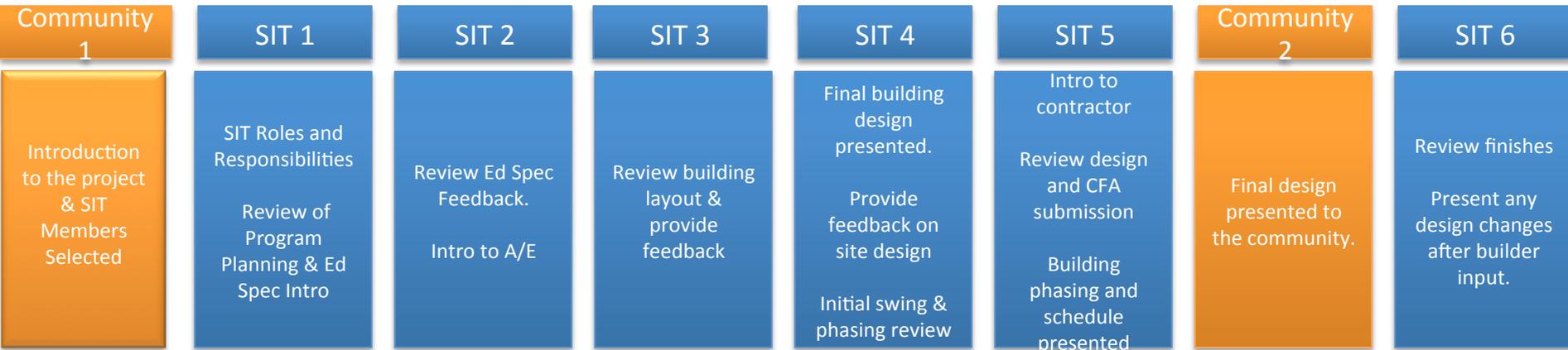
- Relay information to and from constituency/community at-large
- Participate and provide feedback

\*DCPS will lead development of the CIP and submit to DME and Mayor

## High-Level Modernization Process



## Step 3: Facility Design and Construction Management 1-2 Years Before Modernization



Bi-Weekly email updates will be sent to SIT members to keep them updated on the project between SIT meetings.

## How to Submit Comments

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- Documents are posted on [www.engagedcps.org](http://www.engagedcps.org) and will be posted for review through October 30<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm.
- Comments can be posted on the message board or sent to [SIT.INFO@dc.gov](mailto:SIT.INFO@dc.gov)
- DCPS will respond to the first batch of comments on October 19th and again on November 4th.

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## Phase I Closeout

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- 2-5 year old playground had some design issues, which caused a delay. It is anticipated that the playground will be completed by: end of the week 10/23/15
  - Once the playground is complete, the parking will shift, which will create a few more spaces.
- Whiting Turner is going through and completing “Punch list” work.
- A few pieces of furniture were on backorder and are working their way in.

## Next Steps

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- **Reprogramming:** DCPS/DGS submitted a reprogramming request to the Mayor's Office for \$4.5M.
  
- **Design**
  - DCPS/DGS will re-engage with DPR on the design of the Joy Evans site, which will include play structures for the older children.
  - Review designs with subject-matter experts.
    - Media Center review occurred this morning.
  
- **Construction**
  - **November:** Demo/Abatement
  - **Mid-December:** Deep Foundations
  - **Mid-February:** Building Skin
  - **April:** Interior finishes start

## Wrap-Up

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