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From: Beth L. Cross
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Attn: Dougherty and Dougherty

I recently attended a community forum and received your thorough overview, but unfortunately had to leave before providing a few input points of my own:

* Gym facilities would be great supplement to our current school programs, and I'd be willing to support bond measure to finance. However, it may not be as high of a priority as the needs for other facilities - tech labs, science labs, etc. Let's not allow very vocal gym proponents to overshadow our primary educational goals. I'd look to the school administration for prioritization of facility needs. I'd also heavily value the input of the PE teachers on the added value of a gymnasium .

* Open space at Valley School is a priority to me. I would love to see facilities expansion accommodated without encroaching on open space. IE - Adelphia lot expansion first. If that is financially not feasible, then at least relocate maintenance yard to replace open space. Use of open space during recesses and lunch is already maxed out. Administration can't stagger lunch schedules any more than they already are. But my child already feels crowds and waits in lines to participate in lunchtime play activities - this would be worsened with less open space. (Note: I am not a neighbor of Valley school. I'm not voicing this concern due to impact on my residence, but due to impact on my child at school. I wonder if those who don't perceive a space problem have ever been on campus mid day when the open spaces are in full use?)

* If there is not room/time/money for full gym facility, then at least locker rooms with shower/changing facilities should be implemented.

Thank you for your continued efforts on this project.

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