



COATESVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

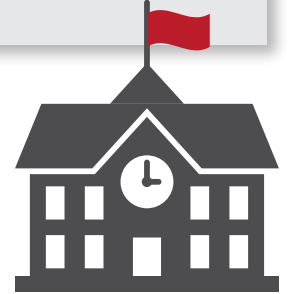
Coatesville Facilities At A Crossroads

Master Facilities Plan Task Force

Update – January 2023

The Coatesville Area School District is at a financial and facilities crossroads. The District’s facilities are aging and facing numerous challenges, despite a significant preventative maintenance plan. More than 60 staff, parents, and community members are considering options for the District’s schools, as prepared by architectural and facilities use firms that specialize in K-12 facilities and that have studied our buildings.

- Each of the three options currently being considered presents challenges and opportunities. The District must also consider its financial challenges. Currently, each of the three options will eventually require an average tax increase of about \$2.19 to \$2.82 per month, about the cost of a Starbucks coffee.
- After a facilities plan is approved by the School Board, design work and approvals for a project will take about a year. The length of construction will depend on the scope of the work and how the construction is phased. The facilities changes would occur over the next 3 to 7 years, and no immediate changes would go into effect for the 2023-24 school year.
- The School Board has asked the architectural firms to prepare a new option that creates two middle schools and includes an elementary school on the south side of Route 30.



Options Currently Being Considered

Option A.1

This option would close two elementary schools, and add additions to two other elementary schools. It would also renovate North Brandywine Middle School, converting it to a 6-8 middle school, and use the two buildings on the Coatesville Area High School Campus to create a 9-10 center and an 11-12 center.

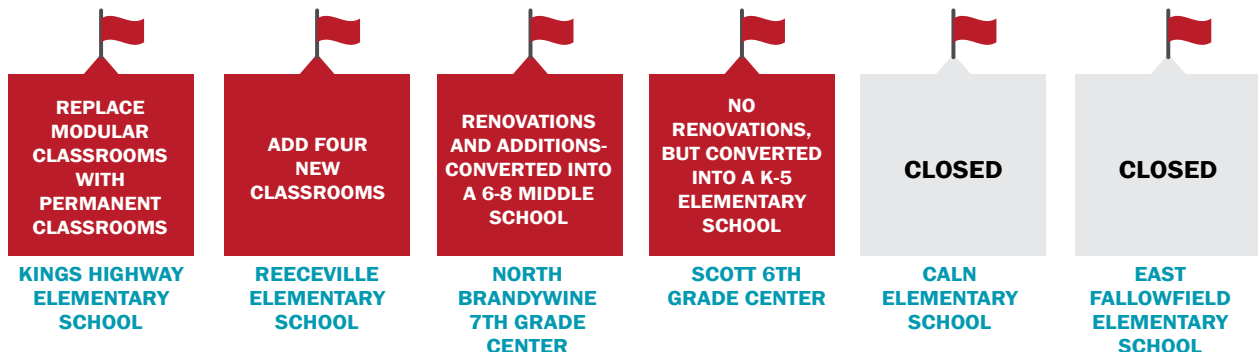
Key points:

- **Close Caln and East Fallowfield Elementary Schools.**
- **Kings Highway Elementary School:** Replace the four modular classrooms with new, permanent classrooms.
- **Reeceville Elementary School:** Add four new classrooms to accommodate 100-150 students who would be coming from Caln Elementary School.
- **North Brandywine 7th Grade Center:** Renovations and additions will be made to create a 6-8 middle school.
- **Scott 6th Grade Center:** No renovations are being proposed to the school, but it will be converted into a K-5 Elementary School with students from both Caln and East Fallowfield.

Estimated Cost: \$140.3 million

Average monthly tax increase: \$2.19/month
(about the cost of a small Starbucks coffee)

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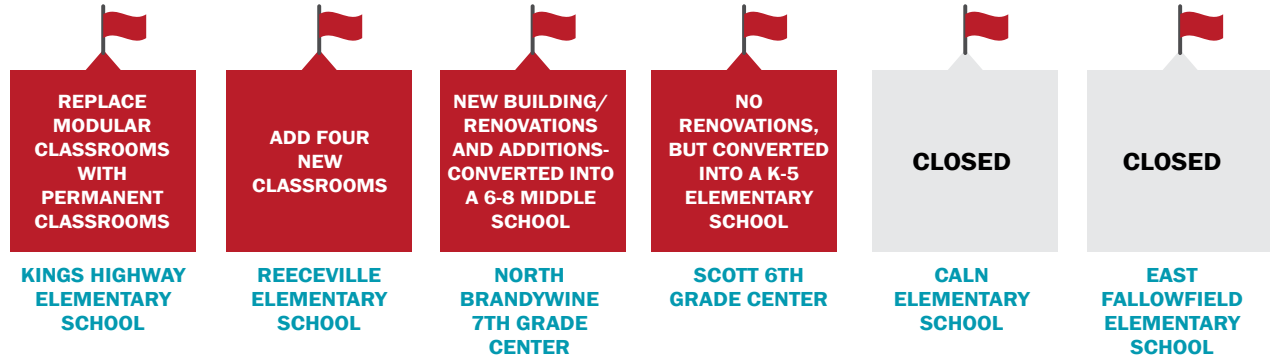


Option A.2

This option would close two elementary schools, and add additions to two other elementary schools. It would also construct a new 6-8 middle school on the North Brandywine campus, and use the two buildings on the Coatesville Area High School Campus to create a 9-10 center and an 11-12 center.

Key points:

- Close Caln and East Fallowfield Elementary Schools.
- **Kings Highway Elementary School:** Replace the four modular classrooms with new, permanent classrooms.
- **Reeceville Elementary School:** Add four new classrooms to accommodate 100-150 students who would be coming from Caln Elementary School.
- **North Brandywine 7th Grade Center:** A new building will be constructed on the current site.
- **Scott 6th Grade Center:** No renovations are being proposed to the school, but it will be converted into a K-5 Elementary School with students coming from Caln and East Fallowfield.



Estimated Cost: \$156.4 million

Average monthly tax increase: \$2.66/month
(about the cost of a medium Starbucks coffee)

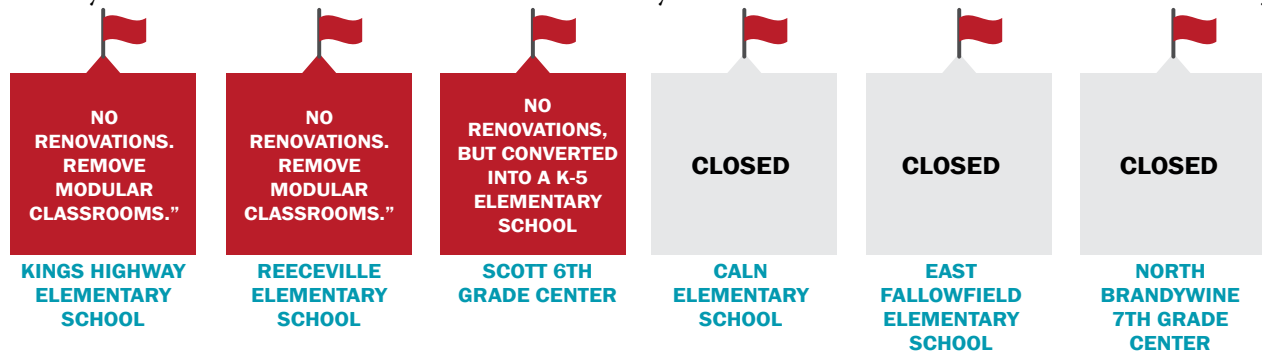
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Option B

This option would close two elementary schools, and the North Brandywine 7th Grade Center, remove all temporary classrooms across the district, and use both buildings on the current high school campus to create a 6 - 8 middle school and a 9 - 12 high school.

Key points:

- Close Caln Elementary School, East Fallowfield Elementary School and North Brandywine 7th Grade Center.
- Remove all temporary classroom space throughout the district (modulars and other temporary space).
- Maximize use of the two buildings on the Coatesville Area Senior High School campus (Currently an 8-9 intermediate school, and a 10-12 high school). Convert the current 8 - 9 Coatesville Area Intermediate School to a 6 - 8 middle school. Convert the current 10 - 12 Coatesville Area Senior High School to a 9 - 12 high school.
- **Scott 6th Grade Center:** No renovations are being proposed to the school, but it would be converted into a K - 5 Elementary School with 306 students from Caln Elementary and 349 students from East Fallowfield Elementary.



Estimated Cost: \$161.9 million

Average monthly tax increase: \$2.82/month
(about the cost of a medium Starbucks coffee)

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Next Steps: The Task Force will continue to evaluate these options, as well as a new option that the architectural firm will prepare: the creation of two middle schools and an elementary school on the south side of Route 30. The Task Force will gather input from the entire school community, explore any other alternatives, and prepare a recommendation to the School Board in May, 2023. Again, each of the plans will be staged over several years and no immediate changes will occur.