

# How do we plan for the future of our school buildings?

- ▶ How many students will attend PPS schools 10 years from now?
- ▶ How many students can our existing school buildings hold?
- ▶ What building improvements are needed to help students achieve?
- ▶ What is the condition of our school buildings?
- ▶ How do we protect our community's investment in schools?
- ▶ How should we prioritize the needs of our school buildings?
- ▶ How can we pay for improvements to schools?

Portland Public Schools is working to update its long-range facilities plan to answer these questions and many others. The result will be a document that will help guide decisions about capital improvements and possible bond measures.

The planning process will include consideration of enrollment forecasts, birth rates, housing development trends and neighborhood population projections in order to understand the likely demands on our schools in the future.

The condition of roofs, windows, plumbing, electrical and heating systems will be considered along with needs for seismic and accessibility improvements.

The plan will address the space needs of specific programs including career and technical, early childhood and special education. It also will include the facilities needed to create 21st-century learning environments.

## Long-range facilities plan: What it is and what it isn't

The long-range facilities plan is **not** a plan for a specific bond proposal. It will not include a list of schools to be improved or a timeline for seeking voter approval of bond funding.

The long-range facilities plan **will**

**Schedule of Long Range Facilities Plan Advisory Committee Meetings**