

### Tredyffrin/Easttown School District

# Sixth Elementary School Launch Overview



#### May 28, 2024

# **Overview of Presentation**



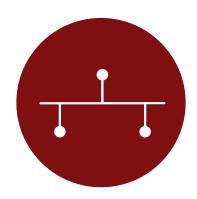
#### **Board Resolution**

Tonight the Board will vote on a resolution to approve a new K-4 elementary school, fullday kindergarten and a new Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) special.



#### **Areas of Focus**

The successful launch of the sixth elementary school will include nine areas of focus between now and when the school opens in August 2027.



#### Timeline

Over the next three years, District staff will work with the Board and stakeholders to implement key steps necessary to open the new school in August 2027.



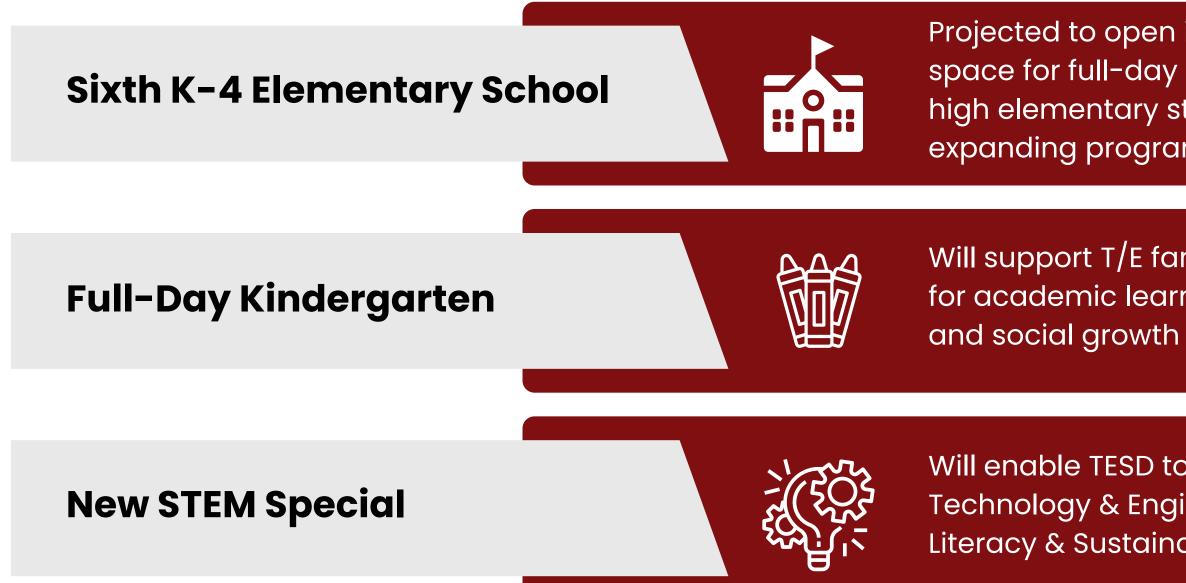
# Background

Once the school building is open, TESD will have the space to provide full-day kindergarten, accommodate our high elementary student enrollment, and address expanding programming needs for all students.

To learn more about the process that led to the decision to open a sixth elementary school, visit www.tesd.net/enrollment.

On April 2, 2024, TESD became the owner of a 15-acre property located at 1200 West Swedesford Road in Berwyn.

# **School Board Resolution**

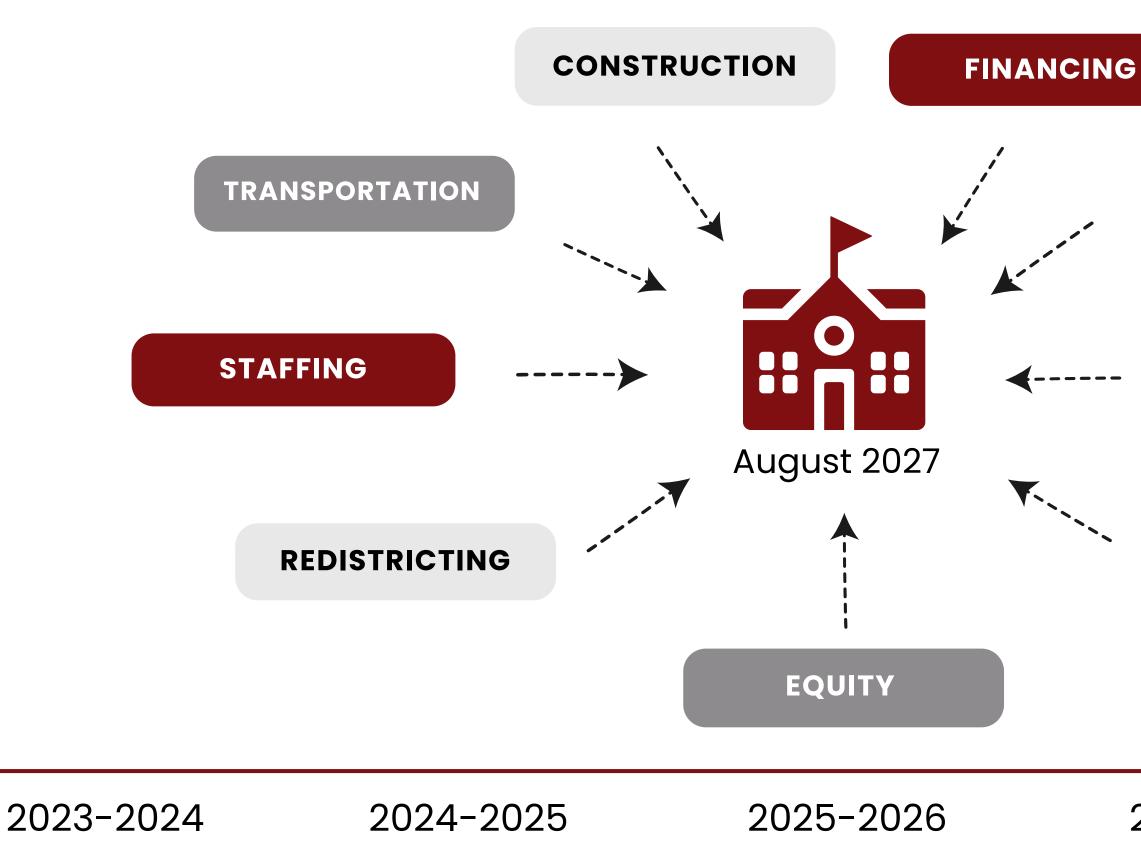


Projected to open in August 2027 and will provide space for full-day kindergarten, accommodate our high elementary student enrollment, and address expanding programming needs for all students.

Will support T/E families and provide increased time for academic learning, support services, creativity and social growth

Will enable TESD to implement new Science, Technology & Engineering, and Environmental Literacy & Sustainability (STEELS) standards

# Sixth Elementary School Launch



#### INSTRUCTION

**SPECIAL ED** 

#### **SAFETY & SECURITY**

2026-2027

2027-2028 **SCHOOL OPENING** 

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PRIOD DITRC	Evaluating				Planning				Implementing					
	23-24 24-25				25-26				26-27				27-28	
	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep
Construction														
Financing														
Elementary Blueprint for Instruction														
Full-Day Kindergarten														
STEELS Standards														
Special Areas														
Redistricting														
District-Wide Redistricting	Implementation Date TBD													
Transition Planning														
Special Education														
Staffing														
Teaching Staff														
Principal														
Support Staff (Office & Operations)														
Safety & Security														
Equity														
Transportation														
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### Sixth Elementary School Launch 2023-2024

#### CONSTRUCTION

- Develop detailed space programming and schematic design to be used for detailed architecture and engineering
- **FINANCING**
- Issue bonds
- Produce additional revenues to contribute to the capital fund

• Begin process of obtaining necessary township and regulatory approvals for project

• Review long-term finance plan with the community

#### **ELEMENTARY BLUEPRINT FOR INSTRUCTION**

- Determine instructional time needed to fully implement Science, Technology & Engineering, and Environmental Literacy & Sustainability (STEELS) standards
- Continue collecting research on best practices for full-day kindergarten (FDK)

#### **SPECIAL EDUCATION**

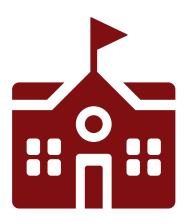
- staff and all related services
- Monitor number of Early disability category

#### **SAFETY & SECURITY**

local police for feedback

#### EQUITY

team about accessibility and belonging



• Monitor room utilization for special education staff, early intervention Intervention students and their

 Conduct preliminary walk through with Chester County Emergency Services Safe Schools liaison and

 Incorporate the needs of special education students into building design plans

• Share information with design team about the principles of Crime Prevention through Environmental Design

Share information with the design

### Sixth Elementary School Launch 2024-2025

#### CONSTRUCTION

- Validate project scope and construction timeline
- Prepare construction drawings and specifications which will be used for bidding and construction

#### **FINANCING**

- Produce additional revenues to contribute to the capital fund
- Issue bonds

#### **ELEMENTARY BLUEPRINT FOR INSTRUCTION**

- Convene committee to review Blueprint as a whole, including FDK and STEM
- Invite staff to be part of the kindergarten redesign process

#### REDISTRICTING

• Convene an ad hoc committee of the School Board to determine the parameters for redistricting

• Develop the schedule for STEM special, develop curriculum and determine space needs

#### **SPECIAL EDUCATION**

staff and all related services

#### **STAFFING**

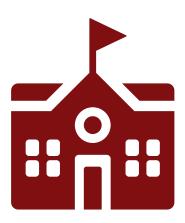
 Undertake a needs assessment to ascertain staffing needs for the new school, focusing on academic, administrative, and support roles, and considering projected enrollment and size of the school

#### **SAFETY & SECURITY**

 Continue to implement security priorities in the design process

#### EQUITY

 Continue outreach to attract have varied backgrounds and experiences



 Monitor room utilization for special education staff, early intervention

 Monitor number of Early Intervention students and their disability category

candidates and staff who may

 Determine process for filling kindergarten positions

## Sixth Elementary School Launch 2025-2026

#### CONSTRUCTION

- Conduct public bidding process; award bids and Notice-to-Proceed
- **FINANCING** 
  - Produce additional revenues to contribute to the capital fund
- **ELEMENTARY BLUEPRINT FOR INSTRUCTION**
- Implement STEELS standards
- Implement STEM special

Begin construction

Issue bonds

- Begin development for FDK framework
- Continue evaluation of impact on special areas

#### REDISTRICTING

• Finalize District parameters to guide the redistricting process

#### **SPECIAL EDUCATION**

- Monitor room utilization for special education staff, early intervention staff and all related services
- Monitor number of Early Intervention students and their disability category

- Begin development of a new enrollment areas map
- Begin recruitment of staff members for particular student needs to ensure adequate staffing in six elementary schools

#### **STAFFING**

 Recruit additional staff with interest and expertise in FDK instruction

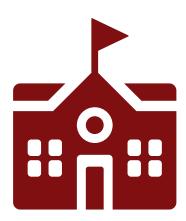
#### **SAFETY & SECURITY**

 Invite individuals with safety expertise and law enforcement officials to periodically review implementation of security recommendations

#### EQUITY

 Continue outreach to attract candidates and staff who may have varied backgrounds and experiences

#### TRANSPORTATION



 Continue to implement security priorities in construction process

 Provide necessary information to inform the redistricting process

• Ensure transportation providers can meet the potential need for additional drivers

## Sixth Elementary School Launch 2026-2027

#### CONSTRUCTION

 Complete construction (summer 2027)

#### **FINANCING**

- Produce additional revenues to contribute to the capital fund
- **ELEMENTARY BLUEPRINT FOR INSTRUCTION**
- Present FDK plan to Education Committee and full Board

#### REDISTRICTING

- Complete redistricting plan by January 2027
- Develop and implement transition plan activities

#### **SPECIAL EDUCATION**

• Monitor room utilization for special education staff, early intervention staff and all related services

- Project close-out and building occupancy (summer 2027)
- Ensure the annual budget can support expenses related to the operation of the new school
- Finalize the elementary blueprint including special areas
- Provide support and resources for students and families during transition
- Monitor number of Early Intervention students and their disability category
- Ensure appropriate set-up of classrooms to address special needs

#### **STAFFING**

- Finalize the selection of school principal
- principal's secretary
- Hire key office staff, including Hire appropriate support staff

#### **SAFETY & SECURITY**

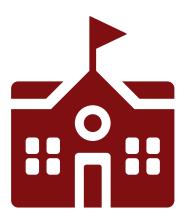
- Complete building level **Emergency Operations Plan for** inclusion in the 27-28 District plan • Request safety audit through Chester County Emergency Services Safe Schools liaison

#### EQUITY

• Ensure staffing is selected from a diverse and highly-qualified candidate pool

#### TRANSPORTATION

Develop transportation routes



aligned with new enrollment areas

- Develop and implement a recruitment timeline for hiring and assigning professional staff for 27-28 school year
- Make decisions regarding potential transfers
- Plan and implement building specific training for Emergency **Response Protocols of all staff**
- Identify the building representative for the District Safety Committee
- Ensure all families feel a sense of inclusion and belonging in the transition process of opening the new school.