FY’21 NKSD Budget Considerations

1. Increasing cost for Health Care (5%), Wages (2%)
2. Increased staffing needs for special education programming at Middle School Level
3. Need to Increase Mental Health Services
4. Support Staff Negotiations and Increased staffing Needs Districtwide
5. Need to further incorporate technology and security needs into regular operating budget.
6. Early Discussions to Increase bus fleet and Improve school Start Times
7. Concern over Unreliable State Aid Projections
8. Concerns over increasing charter numbers.
NKSD Long-Term Schools Proposal

Presentation to the North Kingstown School Committee and Town Council

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Goals: Long-Term Sustainability

• To maintain North Kingstown School Department Buildings with a vision for long-term sustainability.
  • Planning with the long-term in mind will benefit generations of students and taxpayers.
Goals: To use NKSD infrastructure more effectively and efficiently.

- It is important for the school department to envision a “newer and fewer” set of schools and office space. One in which all schools have modern efficiencies, gymnasiums, preschool designed classrooms, all with capacity for potential increase in student population.
Goals: To improve security, school start times, capacities, and equity.

- In this transition, it is important to seize the opportunity to address major concerns to improve school security features, improve the early high school and late elementary school start times, and to redistribute elementary zoning to bring all schools to optimal enrollment/capacity ratios and more equitable distribution of NK’s low-income student population at the middle and elementary levels.
Current Buildings Configuration
Summary

• 8 Schools: North Kingstown High School, Davisville Middle School, Wickford Middle School, Hamilton Elementary School, Fishing Cove Elementary School and Preschool, Forest Park Elementary School, Stony Lane Elementary School, Quidnessett Elementary School

• 1 Clinical Day Program: Davisville Academy

• 3 Office Space Locations: Quonset, Davisville Academy, D Building
Proposed NKSD Buildings Summary

• 7 Schools:
• 1 Clinical Day Program: Davisville Academy
• North Kingstown High School
• North Kingstown Middle School (at Wickford Middle School Property)
• Five (5) North Kingstown K-6 Elementary Schools (Stony Lane, Hamilton, Quidnessett, Fishing Cove, Current Davisville Middle School)
  • Fishing Cove Addition
    • Preschool (10 Classrooms, Meeting Space, Offices)
    • Gymnasium Addition
• New Options for Office Space
Proposed School Building Bond-Funded Projects

North Kingstown Middle School

• Remove Wickford Middle School and Build New North Kingstown Middle School, Grades 7-8) on Wickford Middle School Property (Capacity 750)

• Capacity for 7-8 School: 750 Students (150 Above Current Population); Current NK 7-8 population of 600 would constitute 80% Capacity

• 7-8 model allows for ample parking and fields on WMS property.

• Central NK property would allow for bussing with HS students to improve start times, improve bussing efficiencies.
Proposed School Building Bond-Funded Projects

Fishing Cove El. / NKSD Pre-School

• Build Additions to Fishing Cove Elementary School: Gymnasium, Preschool
  • Fishing Cove property has ample space for expansion.

• Preschool expansion of 10 PreK classrooms, conference room and office
• Allows for classroom space in existing building for grade 6 and conference room. Allows for K-6 (335) and new Pre-K (150) to operate at approximately 80% capacity
• Adds Gymnasium to school, and allows for better use of cafeteria.
New Davisville Elementary School (Currently DMS)

- Davisville Middle School is converted to new Davisville Elementary School
  - Conversions to infrastructure for K-6 school with capacity for 680. Target Population would be 544 (80% Capacity)
  - Allows for increase of 405 student capacity over Forest Park El. Needed for districtwide conversion to K-6 schools.
  - Includes gymnasium (now have gyms at all seven schools).
• One of NKSD’s oldest elementary schools, smallest, no gymnasium.
• Much greater capacity and gymnasium at current DMS location.
Proposed School Building Bond-Funded Projects

North Kingstown High School (Capacity 1600)

- Replace Roof
- Add Security Vestibule
- Resurface Parking Lot
Proposed School Building Bond-Funded Projects

Hamilton Elementary School (Capacity 450)

• Replace Roof
• Add Security Vestibule
• Resurface Parking Lot
Proosed School Building Bond-Funded Projects

Stony Lane Elementary (Capacity 450)

- Replace Roof
- Add Security Vestibule
- Resurface Parking Lot
SMH Quidnessett Elementary School (Capacity 383)

- Replace Roof
- Add Security Vestibule
- Resurface Parking Lot
Proposed School Building Bond-Funded Projects

Davisville Academy (*Increased Capacity for Clinical Program)

- Special Education Administration possible move will allow for increased capacity in Clinical Day Program. (*See NKSD Office Options Below)
- Replace Roof
- Add security Vestibule
- Resurface Parking Lot
## Proposed Elementary K-6 Enrollment/Capacity

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# Proposed Middle School 7-8 Enrollment/Capacity

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**Average Age of Current Schools (In 2019):** 53.6 Years

**Average Age of NKSD School with Proposed Model (Add new MS, remove FP) (in 2019):** 45.7 Years
Quonset NKSD Admin Offices: Superintendent, Asst. Superintendent, Chief Operational Officer, Human Resources, Payroll/Benefits, Registration.

- **Davisville Academy Building**: Special Education, Office of Family Learning
- **Fairway Drive “D Building”**: Transportation, Technology, Buildings and Grounds, Food Service
**NKSD Office Space: Proposed Options**

- Move Quonset and Davisville Academy Offices to Forest Park El. Refurbish FP for office and conference spaces and increased parking.
  - Project would not be eligible for state housing aid.
- Build new NKSD District offices (to replace Quonset and DA) as an addition to New North Kingstown Middle School Project.
  - Project would be eligible for state housing aid.

Build new NKSD District offices (to replace Quonset and DA offices) as addition to Fishing Cove Preschool Build.

  Project would be eligible for state housing aid.

  There is more space to build at FC than at WMS property.

Keep current format of all district offices.
Proposed Plan Benefits

- Newer and Fewer Schools.
- All NK students in grades 7-12 would attend school together.
- Resets and maximizes enrollment-to-capacity ratios to allow for growth in all neighborhoods and elementary schools. Lengthens time before another reset would be needed.
- Allows for more equitable distribution of NK’s low-income population in Els.
Proposed Plan Benefits (2)

- Allows for improved school start times for early HS and late Els.
- Allows for modernizing and efficiencies for heat and transportation costs.
- Addresses NKSDs most significant capital infrastructure needs for a generation, including updated school security features and all needed roof replacements.

  - Takes advantage of state housing aid for these high expense projects with increased aid for “new and fewer” state incentive.
Alternative to Plan

- District Needs Still To Be Addressed:
  - Restoration of Wickford Middle School
  - Major Capital Expenses Districtwide for Security, Roofing, Parking Lots
  - Expansion of Pre-School
  - Restoration of Forest Park and Fishing Cove Els
    - Added Gymnasiums

- District School Start Times
- Aging School Infrastructure
- Reduced Ability to Modernize
- Reduced Efficiencies
Next Steps:

• 1. School Committee and Town Council authorize Architectural and Engineering Plan to address District Needs as Proposed.

• 2. School Committee and Town Council authorize Architectural and Engineering Plan to address District Needs with Amendments.

• 3. School Committee and Town Council do not proceed with to address long-term infrastructure needs.
Recommendation:

School Committee and Town Council continue to meet to…

1. discuss plan and options further.

2. approve of A&E plan for desired NKSD long-term infrastructure project.