Fact Sheet

Maine DOE

2018 Application Ranking (Major Capital School Construction Program)

Fairfield Primary School: #1
Clinton Elementary School: #39
Albion Elementary School: #58

Previous Rating Cycle was 2020-2011, and only 16 projects were funded.

Building Statistics

| Fairfield Primary School

Building Age 100+ years
Building Size 48,780 sq. ft.
Lot Size 1.42 acres

Sprinkler System Yes (Annex is not sprinklered)

ADA Compliance Significant deficiencies throughout building

Classrooms distributed on 13 levels

Mechanical No ventilation and components are at the end of

their life

Electrical Components are at the end of their life and do

not meet current codes

Utility & Operational

Costs \$131,874/year (\$2.70/sq.ft.)

No potential for future development at this site due to lot size. Building is not

suitable for educational use.

| Albion Elementary School

Building Age 70 years
Building Size 24,644 sq. ft.
Lot Size 5.93 acres

Sprinkler System No

ADA Compliance Significant deficiencies throughout building

Mechanical Components are at the end of their life and do not meet

current codes
Minimal ventilation

Water treatment added to address E Coli issues

Electrical Single Phase Power

Components are at the end of their life and do not meet

current codes

Essential repairs and ADA compliance renovations estimated at \$4.6M. These costs will be a local expense and not funded by State project funds.





Utility & Operational

Costs \$134,309/year (\$5.45/sq.ft.)

No potential for future development at this site due to lot size.

| Benton Elementary School

Building Age 30 years Building Size 83,620 sq. ft.

Lot Size 15 acres Sprinkler System Yes

ADA Compliance Some deficiencies

Mechanical Useful life left in systems

Electrical Useful life left in systems

Additions to this building would be challenging due to roof forms and construction

type

Utility & Operational

Costs \$285,144/year (\$3.41/sq.ft.)

Clinton Elementary School

Building Age 80 years (newest addition is 30 years old)

Building Size 39,222 sq. ft.

Lot Size 5 acres

Site Access Poor site circulation

Sprinkler System No

ADA Compliance Significant deficiencies

Mechanical Insufficient patchwork of solutions

No ventilation

Components are at the end of their life and do not

meet current codes

Electrical Components are at the end of their life and do not

meet current codes

Essential repairs and ADA compliance renovations estimated at \$6.8M. These costs will be a local expense and not funded by State project funds.

Utility & Operational

Costs \$144,916/year (\$3.63/sq.ft.)

No potential for future development at this site due to lot size.

Lawrence Jr. High School

Building Age 45 years (classroom and shop addition is 36 years old)

WATC addition 21 years old

Building Size 108,000 sq. ft.





| Lawrence High School

Building Age 61 years Building Size 74,484 sq. ft.

Educational Suitability | Programs

When MSAD 49 elementary and primary schools were built, many programs offered now did not exist or were not accommodated in original building designs.

Special Education
Special Services
Pre-Kindergarten
Early Intervention Programs (reading & math)
Robust STEM/ STEAM programs

State Subsidy

FTE State Subsidized Ratio: 1 teacher: 16 students





Example Project | Total Costs for a New School Project

State Funded Portion	\$43,091,369	
Local Only Portion*	\$730,797	
Total Project Costs	\$43,822,166	

| Estimated Tax Impact on a \$100,000 Property (at Referendum)

Towns of the School District	State Portion	Local Only Portion	New Facility Operating Costs	<u>Total</u>
Eastbrook	\$0.00	\$4.63	\$5.02	\$9.65
Franklin	\$0.00	\$5.87	\$6.36	\$12.23
Gouldsboro	\$0.00	\$3.40	\$3.69	\$7.09
Mariaville	\$0.00	\$4.82	\$5.21	\$10.03
Sorrento	\$26.00	\$2.70	\$2.93	\$31.63
Steuben	\$0.00	\$5.38	\$5.82	\$11.20
Sullivan	\$0.00	\$5.23	\$5.65	\$10.88
Waltham	\$0.00	\$7.67	\$8.31	\$15.98
Winter Harbor	\$0.00	\$2.98	\$3.22	\$6.20

^{*} Local Only Portion included land costs above appraised value, additional gymnasium square footage, additional art room square footage.





FAQ

Questions Asked at Community Forums & via Online Survey

Q: What if the project is not 100% funded by the DOE?

A: The State supports a complete project including design fees, referendum costs, construction costs, testing and oversight during construction and state permitting fees. Occasionally, there are additional building amenities that the local community would like to have included in the project such as a larger gymnasium or additional classrooms. In this case, there is a Local Only bond measure proposed at Referendum in addition to the State bond measure.

Q: How big of a site will be needed?

A: The State provides guidelines for elementary school sites which state that the site shall be up to 20 acres plus 1 acre per 100 students served. It is anticipated that this project will require a site that is between 20 and 26 acres.

Q: Where is the site going to be located?

A: There will be a State guided site selection process that will consider data such as available land, available town utilities, population loci, bussing routes, and distances.

Q: Have school designs changed in response to the pandemic?

A: The State will support any changes made to mechanical codes or standards in response to COVID. The state currently supports better-than-standard air filtration in newly constructed or renovated schools. It can be anticipated that technology in classrooms will evolve to better support remote learning and be available to a new or renovated school in the coming years.

Q: When will construction be complete?

A: A typical State funded school project following the Department of Education process could start construction as early as 2023 and be complete in 2025 or 2026, depending on site development.

Q: What happens to existing school buildings if they are decommissioned as schools?

A: The MSAD currently owns the school buildings and the land. There is a process by which buildings no longer used by the District can be returned to the towns for their own use.





Q: Does this project include work at the Jr. High School or High School?

A: No.

Q: How will the community be engaged in the process?

A: The project team will continue to engage the community in multiple ways including more forums, surveys, and subcommittees to the building committee.



