WHAT'S NEXT FOR UCS?
FUTURE PLANNING FOR BEACON TREE ELEMENTARY

Beacon Tree Elementary

Memories of the past... Dreams of the Future

COMPREHENSIVE FACILITY REVIEW

- A comprehensive review is ongoing for each elementary school. This review considers the age of the facilities, safety concerns based on the school's floor plan and overall student enrollment patterns.
- Facility improvements, renovations and/or a new addition/construction will occur at UCS elementary schools to provide our students and teachers the best possible learning environment that meets the high standards of our community.
- In partnership with our parents, the review will include input from a long-standing citizens committee (Enrollment Distribution Advisory Committee) that is comprised of representatives from each elementary school as well as input from school and district staff.
- This comprehensive, systematic plan will continue this spring with a final recommendation provided to the Board of Education in the fall by district leadership.

The projects listed below are scheduled for Beacon Tree Elementary:

SAFETY

SUCCESS

PHASE 1: Projects in this phase will be scheduled for summer 2024 through 2026

SAFETY
- Create additional layers of security to limit access for exterior entry points at main entrance and corridors, such as shatter-resistant glass
- Secure Entry Hardware Upgrades
- Replace drinking fountains with water bottle filling stations
- Install new playground equipment
- Replace playground surfacing

SUCCESS
- Modernize school sign with digital technology

PHASES 2-5

SAFETY
- Upgrade network infrastructure
- Upgrade security systems (cameras and access control)

SUCCESS
- Improve stage lighting and sound within the gym/cafeteria
- Improve media center
- Purchase instructional technology equipment for classrooms
- Purchase computers for students and staff
- Purchase classroom furniture
- Purchase media center furniture

PROJECTS IN PROCESS/COMPLETED

- Replace interior door hardware to integrate improved locking system based on industry-level safety standards*
- Redesign parking lot and replace paving*
- Replace public address system*
- Improve exterior and landscaping

  *Funded by 2018 bond issue

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