TOTAL- SBC May Forums on Site Location

EITHER	UNSURE	WHEELOCK	DALE- new build	DALE-add/reno	DALE- Either	DALE-unsure	T
12	**2**	**6***	**16**	**2**	**16**	**3**	**57**

FORUM ONE

EITHER	UNSURE	WHEELOCK	DALE- new build	DALE-add/reno	DALE- Either	DALE- unsure	T
1	2	1	3	1	3	2	13

FORUM TWO

EITHER	UNSURE	WHEELOCK	DALE- new build	DALE-add/reno	DALE- Either	DALE- unsure	T
0	0	0	1	0	6	1	8

FORUM THREE

EITHER	UNSURE	WHEELOCK	DALE- new build	DALE-add/reno	DALE- Either	DALE-unsure	T
7	0	3*	1	1	3	0	15

FORUM FOUR

EITHER	UNSURE	WHEELOCK	DALE- new build	DALE-add/reno	DALE- Either	DALE-unsure	T
4	0	2	11	0	4	0	21

Forum Data (May 2024) - Site Selection

FORUM ONE

Site	# of Responses	Comments
EITHER	1	new build anywhere,
UNSURE	2	costs, impact on relocating students,
WHEELOCK	1	
DALE STREET		
New Build	3	- likely simpler than add/reno, less disruptive to kids, eliminates uncertainty of leftover building, but open to reno
Add/Reno	1	- reno 1942 building and demo the rest, - Consider two floors to maximize SQFT
Either	3	- tours to help decide which,
Unsure	2	- depends on cost and disruption to children (2) - don't downplay historic character,
F1 TOTAL	**13**	

FORUM 1 (OTHER)

- COSTS- Dale alternative (asked? other town comm)
- Costs?? Impact on children dislocation. No proposed alternatives to consider with costs.
- Cost (of course) will be issue but it is what it is…just need to sell it somehow

FORUM TWO

Site	# of Responses	Comments
EITHER	0	
UNSURE	0	
WHEELOCK	0	
DALE STREET		
New Build	1	Prefer new build to avoid disruption to classes during reno option
Add/Reno	0	
Either	6	- These forums are the right step towards yes vote, data will help, - You have the data that neither vote will pass at Wheelock, - I'd prefer reno because of carbon footprint but it must work educationally, - I think we could have a great school built here (Dale) to meet current & future needs without going overboard, - I prefer add/reno with Park & Rec to have the best & save for the town. Will vote for a good school proposal at any reasonable place except Elm St.
Unsure	1	
F2 TOTAL	**8**	

FORUM 2 (OTHER)

- We need data now. Cost for options. Eliminate uncertainty.

FORUM THREE

Site	# of Responses	Comments
EITHER	7	(2 for new build)
UNSURE	0	
WHEELOCK	3*	- Wheelock is the better location. I have major concerns about Dale, but ultimately will vote yes for either location because we need a new school now. - This is ideal but I will vote to move the project forward.
DALE STREET		
New Build	1	
Add/Reno	1	
Either	3	
Unsure	0	
F3 TOTAL	**15**	

FORUM THREE (OTHER)

- If the Wheelock site is chosen, traffic concerns are a high priority, Cross St will need sidewalks, and the cost of Dale demo needs to be clear.
- Parents will say yes to Dale even if it is not the preferred site because we need a new school
- Please find out if nos over cost are always a no.
- Will MSBA even matter if they are always a no? Why wait to move forward if it doesn't move the needle? People like refunds so if we get the money it's a win.
- Please address parent concerns re: in-person vote - ask what concerns are early to plan accordingly so 2 parent homes can have both in attendance.
- Are we in touch with Westwood's SBC for best practice ideas to get this vote passed?
- How much in the "doghouse" are we with MSBA?
- Can we send out facts throughout the campaign to try to shut down misinformation spreaders?
- I have major concerns about families who have already had major interruptions in their elementary ed experience during covid, who will also have to live through a major renovation. (I second this)
- My other concern about building at Dale is taking away the field between Memorial and Dale, 400 kids play on that field every day. Removing it takes away all the open space for both schools. If a school was built at Wheelock, no play space would be taken away. (I second this)
- A 2-5 campus at Wheelock could lessen the amount of new teams/transitions special education students & families would have & would be beneficial (I second this, I third this)
- If Dale, we need a space to move the baseball field. We are already short field space.
- Re cost: if the decision is for Wheelock, the total cost estimate has to include not only the mothballing of Dale, but also the cost of a renovation/new build at Dale- what will we be asked to pay in extra taxes in the future for that project (school @Wheelock plus whatever is needed at Dale)
- I am also very confused about the environmental impact of a campus @ Wheelock. It very much sounds like a classic "build on a green site" versus "reuse a brown site situation. At Wheelock, there are issues around the water use, open space, ancient use of land etc.
- The field @Dale is useful but not as well kept at full used as other fields. This area at teh center of town is an important space that shapes the character of the town. ANother open field/baseball field would be better at Wheelock than the center of town.
- Thank you for your work!

FORUM FOUR

Site	# of Responses	Comments
EITHER	4	- I support either location as long as it is a new building. - I support either as long as it's a new build. Displacement is not acceptable. - We need a new school period. It is embarrassing this is still happening.
UNSURE	0	- I am not okay with displacing my child during an add/reno
WHEELOCK	2	
DALE STREET		
New Build	11	
Add/Reno	0	
Either	4	- You can't win over people on cost, but you have a fighting chance on location
Unsure	0	
F4 TOTAL	**21**	

FORUM FOUR (OTHER)

- New build is needed, but unsure about the current site or at fields.
- Prefer Wheelock, but most important NEW school at either Dale or Wheelock. I do not want a reno of Dale.
- Dale location so important for community involvement.
- Incorporate Park & Rec.