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**PROJECT UPDATE**

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## PROJECT NEWS

- **Community Forum #2: *Crafting the Design Statement* is scheduled for November 9th from 6-8PM.** Help us develop a project “Design Statement” that captures the essence of the Conners Emerson School, and be a part of the vision that will help guide the design of the future building!  
The in-person location is in the *Conners Emerson Cafeteria*. Those who wish to join remotely can find the link on the project website (visit the “Meetings” tab!)
- **The third and final Visioning Workshop took place on October 11th with the Educational Working group.** Attendees participated in a series of interactive exercises to ultimately come up with bubble diagrams outlining important adjacencies and layouts for the future school. This important input will help the architects determine what organizational pattern best suits the needs of the Conners Emerson School.
- **Harriman spent a day in the school on September 29th to meet with staff across all grades and subjects.** These meetings were very well attended and staff provided valuable insight into what is working in their current spaces, what is not working very well, and what their priorities are for the future project.
- **Harriman attended the Bar Harbor Comprehensive Plan Forum on October 26th at the Emerson Gymnasium.** Harriman, along with Building Committee members, ran an informational table to engage with the community and address questions about the project.
- **Harriman continues to work toward completion of the New vs. Renovation Study.** This study evaluates the feasibility and pragmatism of renovating or building a new school. Harriman’s architects and engineers will come forward with their evaluation and recommendations in a final report later this year.

## ABOUT THE PROJECT

### WHY?

Our infrastructure does not support our students’ basic educational needs. We need a healthy, safe, sustainable, and 21st century solution to house our students.

### WHY NOW?

There is an urgent need to address the poor conditions of our aging buildings. We need a solution to meet the needs of today’s kids and future students. The planning and construction process will take approximately 5 years.

### GOALS

- Safety & Security
- Quality Teaching and Learning Environment
- Sustainability / Energy Efficiency
- Flexibility and Connections to the Community