



THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF
PHILADELPHIA

**Thomas Holme Elementary School Community Meeting
January 19, 2023**

**Topic:
Temporary Relocation of Holme Elementary School for
School Year 2023-2024**

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Guardrail 1: Every school will be a safe, welcoming and healthy place where our students, staff and community want to be and learn each day.

This means that our schools will be: (1) environmentally safe and clean; and (2) there will be spaces with inclusive climates that provide students with access to robust social, emotional, and mental health supports.

The School District of Philadelphia's Equity Definition

Equity at the District means: Cultivating prosperity and liberation for students and staff, starting with historically marginalized populations, by removing barriers, increasing access and inclusion, building trusting relationships, and creating a shared culture of social responsibility and organizational accountability.

Context Setting:

Thomas Holme School Community will be receiving a brand new state of the art 21st Century Learning Environment. This will require that we temporarily relocate to the Austin Meehan Campus for the 2023-2024 School Year.

Meeting Objectives:

- Inform the school community of the District plans for a smooth transition of students and staff to the temporary swing space at the Austin Meehan Campus for SY 2023-2024
- Develop a common understanding of plans being developed by various departments: Facilities, Environmental Management Services, Food Services, School Safety, and Transportation Services.
- Provide a forum for the community to raise questions
- Share next steps

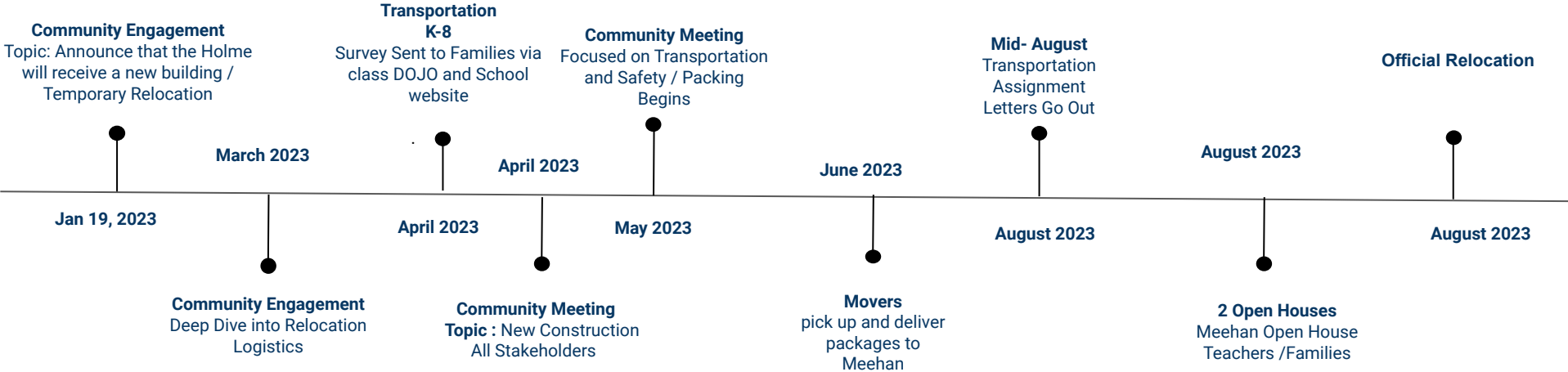
- Relocation to the Austin Meehan Campus will allow the project to be completed faster, scheduled to be concluded in the Fall of 2024
- Students will be able to learn in a space free from disruptions related to construction in a safe and secure healthy environment.
- Relocation to the temporary swing space will save 18 months in construction time



Holme School Relocation Timeline



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Space Allocation Needs

Space Type	Holme School (Current Space)	Meehan Campus
Pre-Kindergarten	5	4
Kindergarten-Grade 8	28	28 (additional space available if needed)
Kindergarten -Grade 8 Special Education (Full Time)	6	6
Art & Dance	2	2
Music	1	1
Instrumental Music	0	2
Science	0	1
Digital Literacy	1	1
Gym	1	1
Support Services - Speech, ESOL, LS	4	5
Total	48	51



- Austin Meehan Campus is located at 3001 Ryan Avenue.
- Before the Fall of 2022, The District invested nearly \$21 million in capital improvements to replace the heating, ventilation and cooling systems, and replacing the roof over the gymnasium.
- 16 Hydration Stations were installed throughout the building to provide cool filtered water.
- Austin Meehan Campus has been a school location for other schools while capital projects are in process.



Facilities and Maintenance Departmental Tasks

In preparation for the arrival of Holme Elementary students, faculty, and staff; Facilities and Maintenance is performing the following tasks:

- Full maintenance and cleaning of the Austin Meehan building.
- Assist with moving furniture and educational items from the Holme School building to Meehan Campus
- The Holme School Building Engineer will remain onsite at the existing Holme building to provide support during initial demolition. Once the existing building is no longer viable, the BE will be relocated to another building in the general area. Once construction of the new building has progressed to a sustainable level, the BE will return to the new building to begin training and orientation on the new building.
- Maintenance will address any issues, including but not limited to, Plumbing; Electrical; Carpentry; Automatic Temperature Control; Masonry

Preparations for Kindergarten-Grade 8 food Services

- Meal Type: Pre-plate: Daily delivery Whitson Food Service Company
- Daily menu will be available on Nutrislice®
 - Website: <https://philasd.nutrislice.com>
- Meal Service
 - Breakfast: 8:45
 - K-3 in Cafeteria
 - 4-8 Grab-n-Go in pods
 - Lunch: **Served in Cafeteria**
 - 1st Lunch: 11:00-11:45
 - 2nd Lunch: 11:45-12:30
 - 3rd Lunch: 12:30-1:15
- Fully Staffed





- **School Deployment**

- One (1) School Safety Officer (SSO) is assigned to the building and an additional SSO will be present to support drop-off, pick-up and the school due to the location and bus arrangement.
- An Area Manager and Supervisor will provide direct support if any issues arise.
- Philadelphia Police Department provide coverage for the dismissals.
- All SSOs in Northeast Community Propel Academy, Abraham Lincoln High School, and Austin Meehan Middle School will work in collaboration to ensure students' safety daily.

- **Street Safety**

- A crossing guard has been stationed at the corner of Sandyford Ave. and Ryan Ave. to support pedestrian student travel needs.



Existing Service (Grade 1-Grade 8):

- Eligible students will continue to receive transportation
 - Yellow bus, cab/van or parent flat rate
- Students receiving transportation due to an Individualized Education Plan 504 Plan:
 - Service will continue as is, but will be redirected to the Meehan building

New Service (Kindergarten-Grade 8):

- Yellow Bus Service
 - All students who select to receive bus transportation service will be assigned to school bus
 - Each student will be assigned to a designated community stop

Note: Pre-Kindergarten students are not eligible for transportation.

Kindergarten-Grade 8 Transportation Planned Community Stops

- Ditman Street & Strahle Street
- Ditman Street & Pennypack Street
- Ditman Street & Megargee Street
- Frankford Avenue & Tolbut Street
- Midland Avenue & Pennypack Street
- Crispin Street & Pennypack Street
- Convent Avenue & Fairfield Street
- Convent Avenue & Fordham Road
- Exeter Road & Willits Street
- Annapolis Road & Convent Avenue
- Eden Street & Lansford Street
- Outlook Avenue & Primrose Road
- 3100 Grant Avenue
- Pearson Avenue & Crispin St
- Linden Avenue & Frankford Avenue
- Arendel Avenue & Cottage Street
- Arendel Avenue & Hegerman Street
- Arendel Avenue & Melrose Street
- Pearson Avenue & State Road
- James Street & State Road
- Plan Pick-up times: 8:15 am and 8:30 am
 - Plan Arrival to Meehan building: 8:50 am
- Students in Kindergarten-Grade 8 will be assigned to designated stop.
- Parents will receive a Parent Notification Letter with the assigned route, pick-up location, and pick-up time.

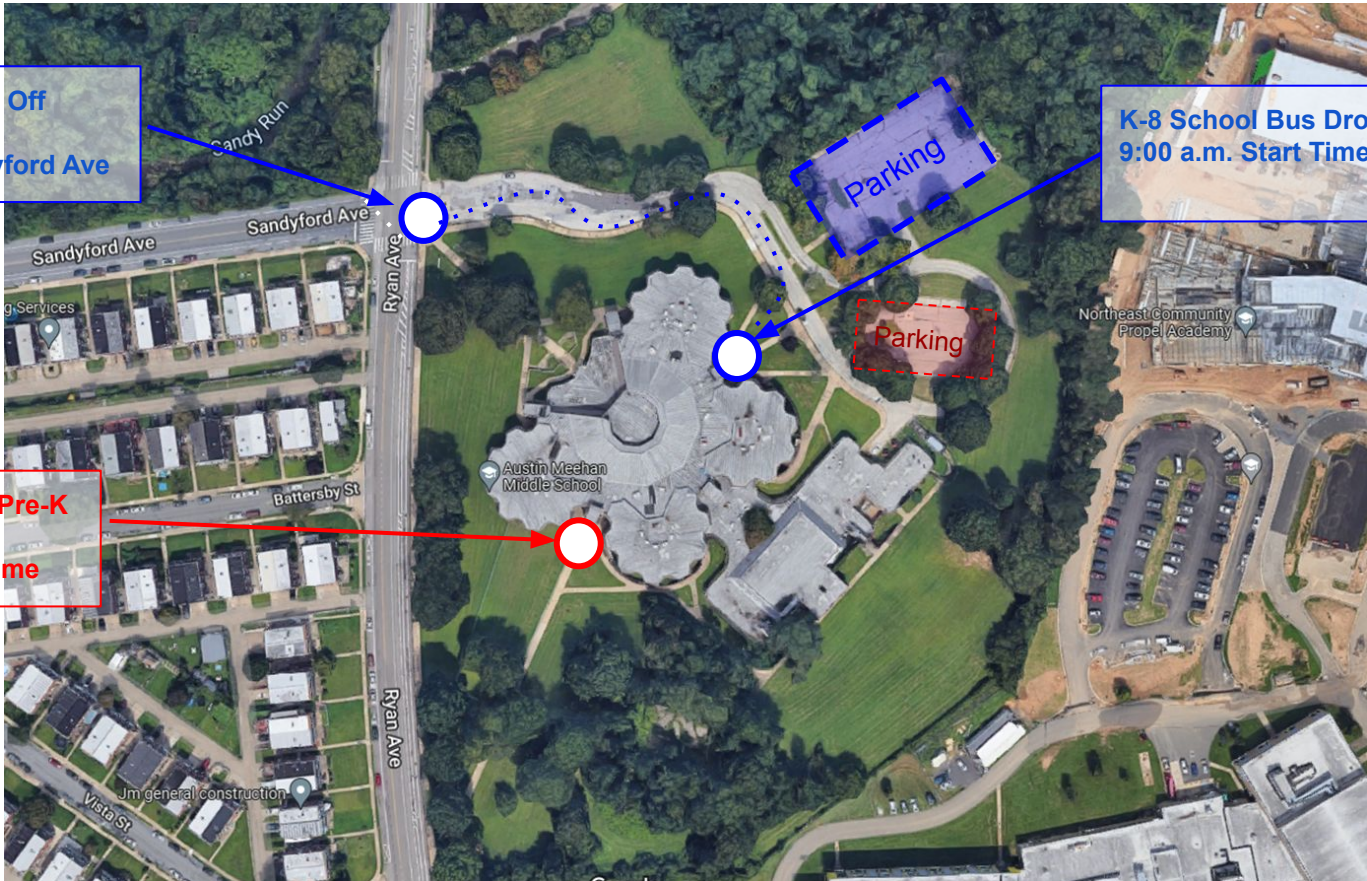
Transportation Drop Off/Pick Up



**K-8 Parent Drop Off Location
Ryan Ave/Sandyford Ave**

**K-8 School Bus Drop Off
9:00 a.m. Start Time**

**Early Education Pre-K
Entrance
8:30 a.m. Start Time**





- Four (4) classrooms @ Meehan Campus and One (1) classroom @ Lincoln High School
 - Currently there are two Pre-K classrooms at Lincoln with 20 students in each classroom
 - The new 3rd class at Lincoln will have a maximum of 19 students
- Returning Holme School Pre-K families have the option of going to Lincoln or Meehan
- Arrival and Dismissal Times
 - Holme Pre-K arrival and dismissal times are 8:30 am - 3:09 pm
 - Pre K @ Lincoln High School Hours Lincoln Pre-K hours are 8:30 am - 3:09 pm
- Pre-K Meal Service
 - Breakfast, lunch, and snack will continue to be provided
 - Whitsons Meal Services
 - Menu posted and shared by Pre-K staff



- **Holme School: 215-400-3130**
- **Transportation Hotline: 215-400-4350**
- **Office of Food Services: foodservices@philasd.org**
- **Office of School Safety: schoolsafety@philasd.org**
- **Family and Community Engagement Office : ASK@philasd.org**
- **Office of Early Childhood/ Pre-Kindergarten: OECE@philasd.org**
- **Talent: <https://jobs.philasd.org/>**

In addition, there may be employment opportunities at the Holme School for the 2023-2024 school year. We are always looking for School Climate Staff and other positions that are essential to the overall school climate and culture. We welcome you to apply!





- Continue to keep the school community informed regarding progress to date
- Develop a Frequently Asked Questions document
- Maintain the high level academic programming through the rest of this school year as we prepare for the next school year

