

GROUND RULES:

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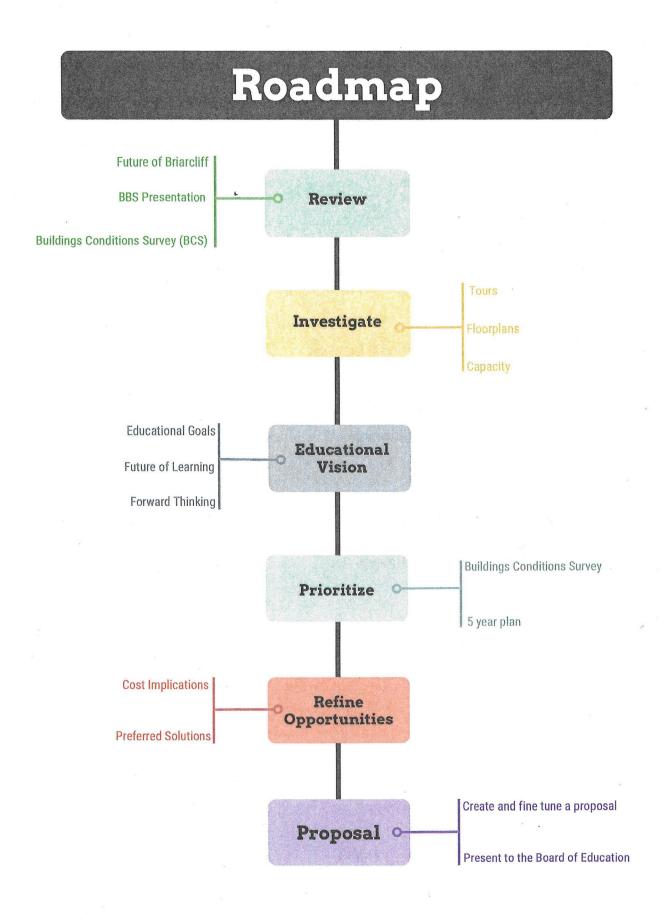
- -an opportunity to collaborate with community members to come up with creative solutions to solving the district's facilities challenges.
- -an opportunity to influence the direction of the district's architectural firm and it's work on a proposal to improve/maintain the district's facilities.
- -an opportunity to express your opinion and the opinions of your friends and acquaintances of the Briarcliff community in a constructive way.
- -a space to respect your neighbors/friends/colleagues, giving them space to talk and be understood.
- -a committee that will place the wellbeing of the Briarcliff students above all when making decisions.

This is not...

- -a forum to criticize past financial decisions made by the district or its voters.
- -a forum to criticize the failed bond attempt of 2018.
- -an opportunity to say that the facilities were "good enough" for children 5, 10, 15 etc. years ago.
- -an architectural design committee (detailed decisions about space configuration and finishes will not be made here).

Keys to Success:

- -Ask LOTS of questions!
- -Stick to the task. Avoid lengthy and/or off topic discussions that hinder important decision making processes.
- -Be mindful of equal participation everyone must listen and be heard!
- -Creativity and innovative solutions thrive when all ideas (even those that are seemingly not feasible) may be heard. Don't be afraid to suggest what may seem to be a "crazy" idea, and open your heart and mind to listen to the "crazy" ideas of others. Those ideas often morph into creative solutions.



Acronym Glossary

It's important to know that the field of education is riddled with what seems to be an infinite number of acronyms. We will try to use the full name of items, but here are some acronyms that you may hear mentioned throughout this process:

ADA - Americans with Disabilities Act

BAN – Bond Anticipation Note

BBS – Our architecture firm (Ok, definitely not an acronym, but please do not confuse with BCS)

BCS – Building Condition Survey

BOCES – Board of Cooperative Educational Services

CM – Construction Manager

HVAC – Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning

RFP - Request For Proposal

SED or NYSED – State Education Department or New York State Education Department

SEQRA – State Environmental Quality Review Act

Please note that this is not a comprehensive list. Have you heard us use an acronym that you don't know? Don't hesitate to ASK! We are always happy to explain.



THANK YOU FOR BEING PART OF THE TEAM!