

Your comments are important to us!

Upcoming Meeting Dates

Public Board Workshop- Thursday, March 28 at 6PM (MS/HS Media Center)

Board Meeting- Monday, April 15 at 6PM (MS/HS Media Center)

Comments/Questions Section

We appreciate your opinion! Please provide any comments or questions in the space below and return to the school before April 15, 2019.

Contact Information

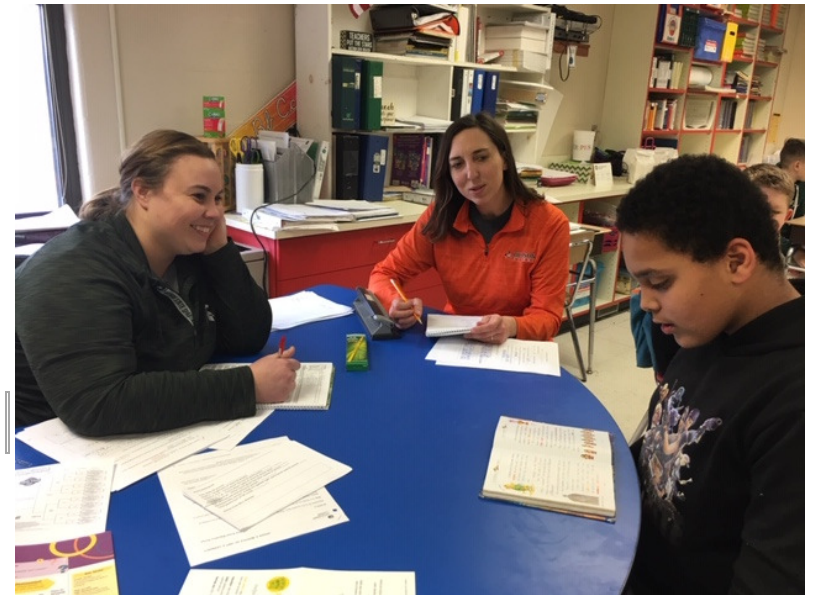
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5th/6th Grade Program Proposal



HUDSON AREA SCHOOLS

March 2019

Hudson Area Schools is Growing!

7 of the last 8 years Hudson Area Schools has seen increased enrollment and there is reason to believe we will continue to see growth into the future. Due to the increased enrollment Lincoln Elementary will be out of classroom space by the Fall of 2019 unless changes are made.

Hudson Area Schools has been researching options for over a year and conducting meetings with staff, parents, and community. Many options have been considered, including: limiting school of choice, building additions, and relocation of programs. After completing a facilities review it was determined the district does have space for the anticipated growth but the space would need to be reconfigured.

Recommendation: a separate 5th and 6th grade program be created in the west hallway of the MS/HS Building.

Key Considerations

In researching a separate 5th and 6th grade program several considerations were taken into account: student safety, age appropriateness, maintaining/expanding student opportunities, keeping a culture of learning and leadership, and continuing many of the traditions that these students have come to know.

Board Proposal

An official recommendation was made to the Board of Education at the March 11 board meeting. It was recommended that:
A separate 5th and 6th grade program be created in the west hallway of the MS/HS Building. The program will be an extension of the elementary program with self-contained classrooms under the supervision of MS/HS administration. The hallway will be secured by additional doors at both ends of the hallways. The students in grades 7-12 will not be permitted in this space.

Program Overview

Age Appropriate Learning and Leadership



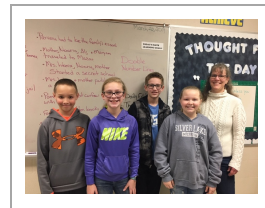
The 5th and 6th grade program would be located in the west hallway of the MS/HS building. It would operate similarly to the current elementary program. There would be self-contained classrooms with the same teachers currently teaching.

Focus on Safety and Security



Doors will be installed to define and secure the area. Surveillance cameras are currently installed throughout the building and staff would monitor the area. At all times 5th and 6th grade students would be with teachers and staff. There will be a separate entrance for arrival and dismissal as well as separate times for arrival, lunch, recess, and dismissal.

Expanding Opportunities and Traditions



The 5th and 6th grade program will continue to receive specials such as PE, Art and Music. They will receive similar special education and Title One services. It is also important to us to keep many of the traditions and opportunities currently provided to 5th and 6th grade students and even to expand them where possible.