

Alden School History of Construction Activity

1949- Alden Elementary School Built (original two-story building)

1954- First Alden Addition Built (one-story attached building)

2000- Master District Facilities Plan approved

2001- Alden Addition Built (third floor and gymnasium) and the Performing Arts Center built (MSBA project, 67% project reimbursement rate)

2016- Alden School Windows Replacement (MSBA project)

April 2023- First Statement of Interest Submitted to MSBA (endorsed by School Committee and Select Board)

April 2024- Second Statement of Interest Submitted to MSBA (endorsed by School Committee and Select Board)

September 2024- MSBA Conducts a Senior Site Visit

November 2024- MSBA Accepts Alden School into Core Program and deems project worthy of advancement

June 2025- Alden School 270-day Eligibility Period Begins

June 2025- February 2026- Eligibility Period Key Deliverables:

- Initial Compliance Certification (30 days) ✓
- School Building Committee (30 days) ✓
- Educational Profile Questionnaire (90 days) ✓
- Maintenance and Capital Planning (180 days) ✓
- Enrollment Certification (180 days) ✓
- Local Vote Authorization (270 days) ✓
- Feasibility Study Agreement (270 days)



Alden Elementary School, Duxbury, MA
Grades Served- 3-5

Next Steps:

January-March 2026- Alden Building Project Outreach

- Attendance at Select Board- 2/5 and 2/9
- School Committee Budget Forums- 1/20 and 3/5
- Alden School Building Tours- 3/4

March 14, 2026- Duxbury Annual Town Meeting seeking Town Meeting approval for Feasibility Study commitment of up to \$1.75 million

This cost will include a detailed space summary, educational program requirements, cost estimates, alternatives, and a preferred schematic report.

March 28, 2026- Duxbury Annual Election voters will decide on the **temporary** Debt Exclusion for the \$1.75 million study and schematic report, eligible for 35.4% MSBA reimbursement. The cost to the average single-family homeowner is \$65.08 per year (\$1.25 per week) **for the next 3 years.**

Visit the [Alden School Building Project Website](https://alden.k12.ma.us) for videos and more information





Duxbury Public Schools Alden Building Committee Fact Sheet 2026

At the Duxbury Annual Town Meeting on Saturday, March 14, 2026, and the Town Election on Saturday, March 28, 2026, the Alden School Building Committee will seek voter approval for a Feasibility Study for the Alden School. This Feasibility Study will include the following Core Components:

- **Educational Program Documentation:** What spaces and facilities the district needs to support its educational goals.
- **Initial Space Summary:** How much space is needed and why.
- **Existing Conditions Analysis:** Evaluations of building structure, site conditions, environmental concerns, and code compliance.
- **Design Parameters:** Criteria for design and project goals.
- **Alternative Development:** Multiple options such as renovation, addition, or replacement.
- **Preferred Solution:** A recommended approach that balances cost, educational adequacy, and long-term needs (submitted to the MSBA Board).

Expected Cost of Feasibility Study

	Estimate
Estimated Project Cost	\$1.75 million
Less Estimated MSBA Reimbursement Rate 35.4%	\$619,850
DPS Building Use Fund	\$200,000
Re-purpose Town Meeting Article	\$100,000
Net Proceeds to Borrow	\$830,150
Estimated Interest Rate	4.50%
Term	3 years
Estimated Debt Service Payment Using Level Debt Service	\$358,497
Impact on Average Single Family Tax Bill* Per Year for 3 Years	\$65.08

**Does not include interest-only payments in Years 1-2*

Alden School

Built in 1949

Addition 1: Built in 1954

Addition 2: Built in 2001

Square Footage: 160,000 sq. ft.

Current Enrollment: 644 students

Planned Operating Capacity 700 students

Deficiencies:

- Aged and deteriorating building and systems, including HVAC, temperature controls, boilers, roofing, mechanical, electrical, flooring, doors, walls, plumbing
- Layout concerns create safety and security challenges, including connection via the Performing Arts Center and the co-located Middle and High School
- Inadequate cafeteria, playground, and learning spaces
- Not in compliance with current accessibility guidelines