

Notes from Superintendent Holcomb & the School Committee
5.24.26 Parent & Staff Newsletter



We extend our sincere thanks to every community member who came out to vote at the annual Town Meeting this past Monday night and supported the FY27 School Department budget. Your commitment to our schools is deeply appreciated. We also want to recognize the dedication and hard work of the Advisory and Finance Board for their efforts, along with all the other boards and departments who partnered with us throughout this process. This collaborative support is vital to ensuring the continued success of our students.

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COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Our district has been selected by the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education to enter the Early College Planning Phase. This is a competitive opportunity that recognizes our readiness to design a program that will allow students to earn college credits while still in high school, at little to no cost to families. $125,000 came with this designation and the application was competitive!

Over the next year, we will work closely with Bristol Community College and the Department of Education to build a high-quality Early College model focused on expanding access, supporting student

success, and creating clear pathways to college and careers. Our goal is to earn full Early College designation and bring these transformative opportunities to our students.

This is a VERY exciting opportunity for Swansea Public Schools!

Mark G. Hoyle Elementary Principal Search

We will be announcing the next principal of Hoyle Elementary School in mid/late June. Please stay tuned for this exciting announcement.

Gardner Elementary School Principal Search

The Gardner Principal Search started this week with the first meeting of the selection committee. Please see the timeline below. We are grateful to those who took their time to assist in this very important process.

Mtg #1: May 20 @ 5:30pm - 7:30 - Initial kick-off / overview of process / packets
Mtg #2: May 28 @ 5:30pm - 7:30 - Identify candidates to interview
Mtg #3: June 2 @ 5:30pm - 8:30 - Interviews
Mtg #4: June 3 @ 5:30pm - 8:30 - Interviews / Identify finalists
June 4 or 5 - notify finalists
June 11 - site visits for finalists

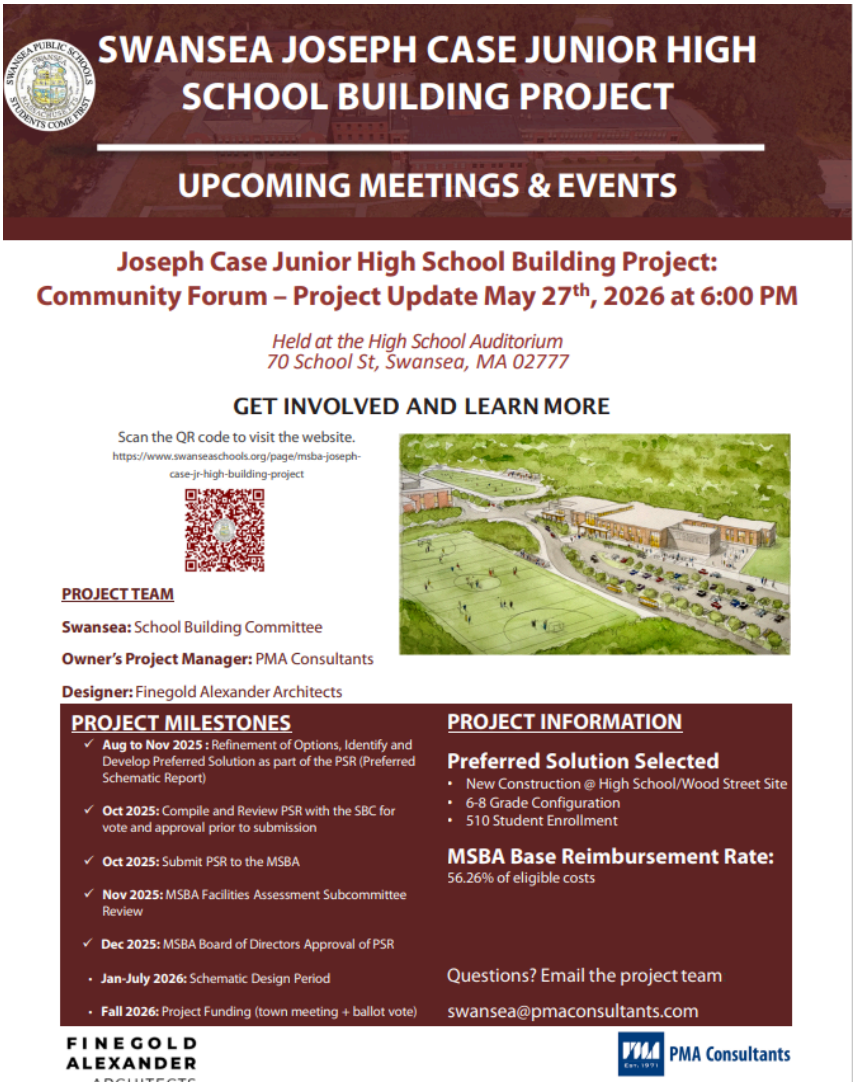
The "New" Joseph Case Junior High School Building Project Update

The Community Outreach Group has scheduled an informational meeting for this important project. We invite all members of the community to attend and learn more, as well as ask questions and share feedback.

Meeting Details:
Location: Joseph Case High School Auditorium
Date: Wednesday, May 27
Time: 6:00–8:00 PM

We encourage you to mark your calendars and attend if you are able. Your participation and input are important to us, and we look forward to connecting with you.

Also, for updates on the project, check out our dedicated website by clicking here.



School Committee Meeting

The next School Committee meeting will be held on Monday, June 1st, at 6:00 PM in the Auditorium of Joseph Case Junior High School. For those unable to attend in person, the meeting will be broadcast live on the Swansea Community Network Channel via their Facebook page. This meeting is devoted solely to celebrating our staff and students.