

Hillsboro Community Unit School District #3

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Recent History of High School Building Project

- 1. February 2010: Referendum for \$32 million bond issue to replace main building and cafeteria building failed.
- 2. March 2016: Referendum for \$34.5 million bond issue to replace main building, cafeteria building, and gym building failed. FGM Architects developed 3 concepts. Community group chose the \$34.5 million option.
- 3. March 2021: Our current Board engaged local Hurst-Rosche Architects to develop a new plan.
- 4. For the last 18 months, the District's Building and Grounds Committee has been working with Hurst-Rosche to develop a new plan.

While the new architects brought their own fresh ideas to the project, the Committee did not start with a blank slate, but instead has been guided by the mountain of feedback that has come from the community (both formally and informally) over the last 10+ years. Fortunately, that feedback wasn't overly disparate, but rather there were clearly some common themes.

- o Smaller, less costly plan
- $\circ\hspace{0.1in}$ The building should stay on the Hill
- The new building should be tied to the existing buildings
- o The project should not result in a property tax increase
- The new building and campus should be more secure