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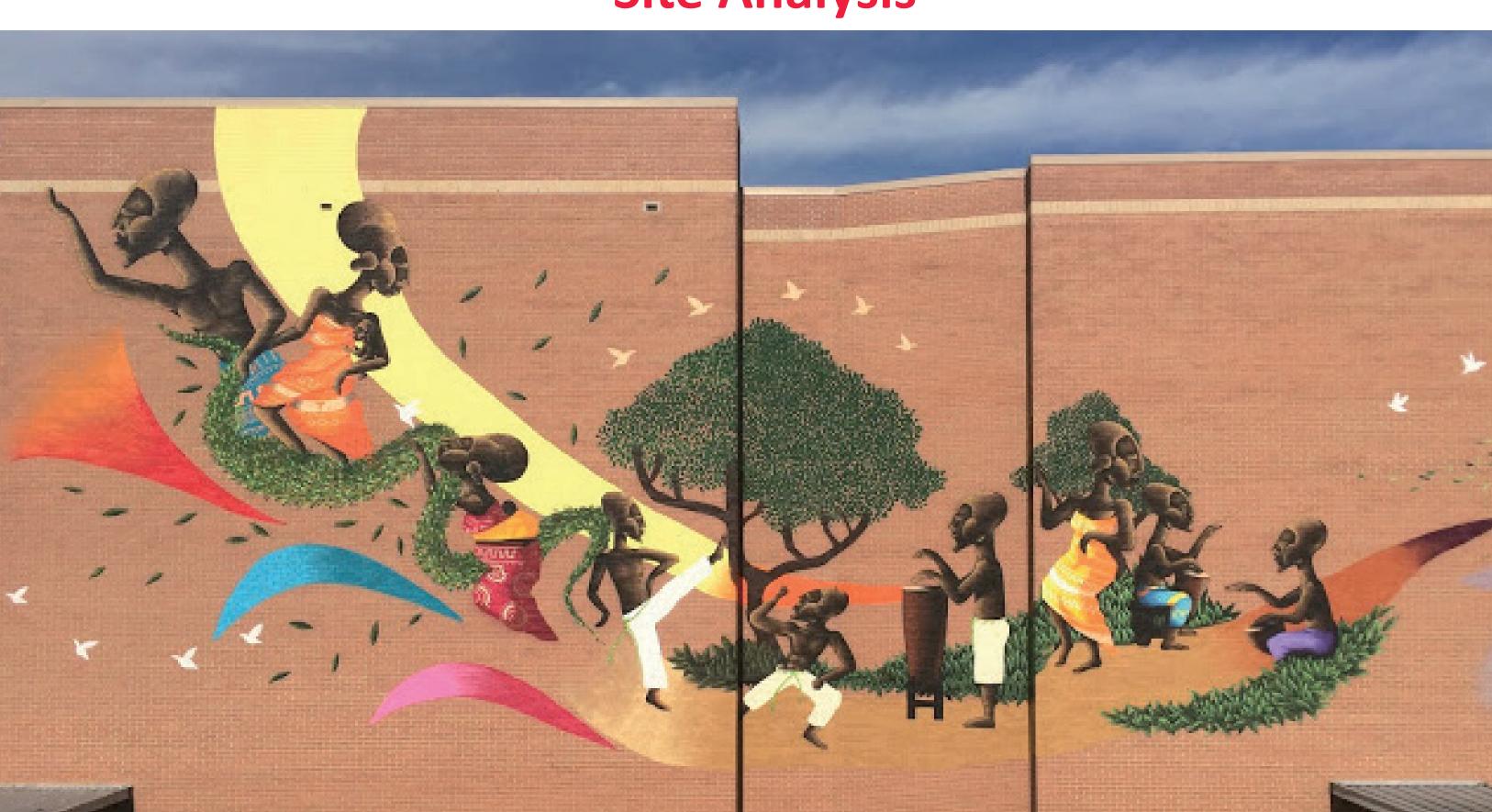


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# Suitland High School

**Site Analysis** 



### **History and Demographics**

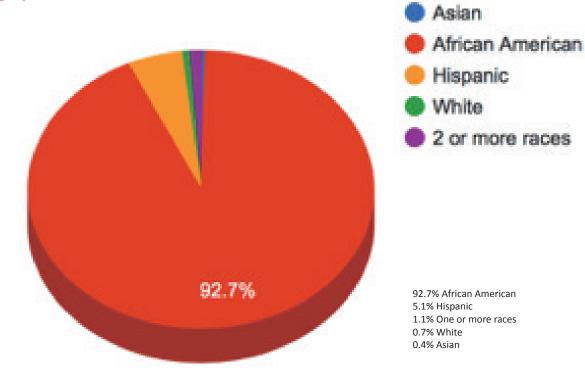
#### Introduction

Suitland High School, founded in 1951 as part the Prince George's County Public School system, currently enrolls 2,157 students from all of Prince George's County.

#### **Notable Alumni**

- Andrew Bayes American football player
- NaVorro Bowman Penn State and NFL football player
- George O. Gore II actor, New York Undercover, My Wife and Kids
- Steny Hoyer House Minority Whip, U.S. House of Representatives
- Lamont Jordan University of Maryland and NFL football player
- Chad Scott NFL football player
- Devin Tyler Temple

#### **Demographics**



#### **Programs offered**

- Electrical
- Carpentry
- Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC)
- Masonry
- Plumbing
- Business
- Management
- NAF Finance
- Barbering
- Cosmetology
- ProStart Cooking/ Culinary Arts
- Health

Professions in

Nursing

Homeland
 Security Sciences

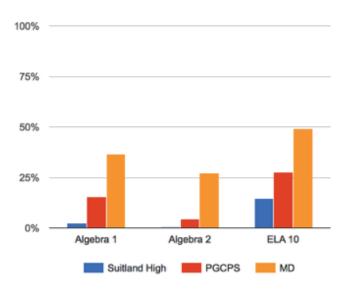
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Networking

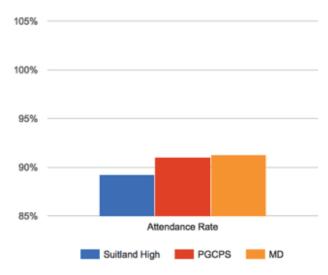
Academy

- Military Science
- Automotive Body Repair
- Automotive Technician

### **PARCC:** Students who met or exceeded expectations in Math and English







### Zoning

Site Map Zoning Map Permitted Uses



R-55: One-Family Detached Residential Usually subdivided into smaller lots High-density single-family residences

On site: Majority of campus in this zone: The main school, the middle school, the technical academy, and the athletic facilities

R-18: Multifamily Medium Density Residential Apartment Single-family attatched or detatched

> On site: No part of campus is located in this zone. The two neighboring residential developments are R-18

R-18C: Multifamily Medium Density Residential
Apartment
Single-family attatched or detatched
Must have condominuim

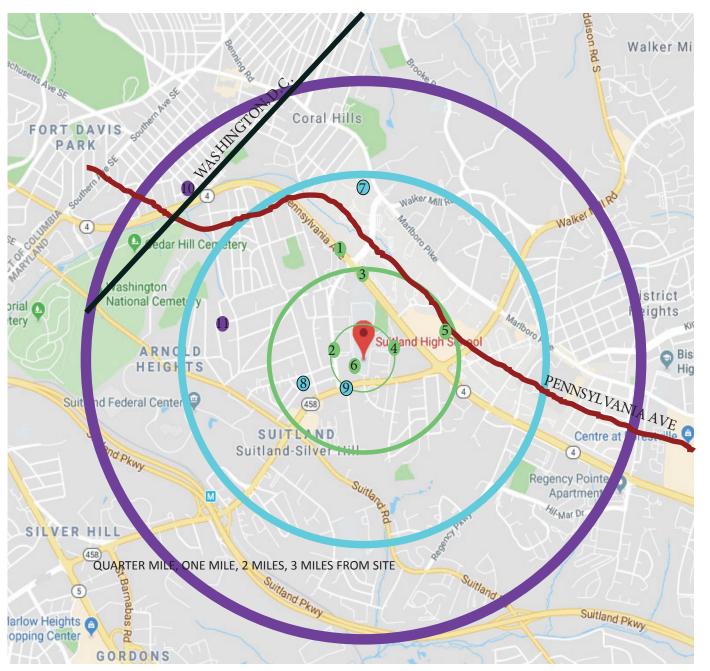
On site: The center for creating and performance arts is in this zone

C-O: Commercial Office (to south of site)



### **Context**

Having D.C. within the three-mile radius allows easy access to museums, facilities, and organizations.



#### Within One Quarter Mile



- 1 Pennsylvania Avenue
- 2 Aqueduct
- 3 Drew Freeman Middle School
- 4 Apartment Complex

#### Within One Mile

- Dupont Heights Park: can be used for recreation by students
- Suitland Elementary School: can be used for high schoolers to tutor younger children
- Georgetown Emergency Room: possible internship/job opportunities
- 4 Health Center: possible internship/job opportunities
- RAI Dialysis Care Center: possible internship/job opportunities
- Barber Services: students studying to be barbers can go here to learn/get jobs
- Gas station/Repair shop: students dealing with mechanics can work here
- 8 U.S. Census Bureau: educational opportunity to learn about census
- 9 Plumbing services: students studying plumbing can learn more about job/gain experience
- NOAA Satellite Operations Facility: educational opportunities for students to tour facility to learn about satellite functionality
- Department of Human Services: potential job shadows/internship opportunities









### **Soil Classification**

#### Soil Map



The main site design area for this project lies within the Urban land-Sassafras complex soil zone. The composition of this soil is 80 percent Urban land, 15 percent Sassafras and similar soils, and 5 percent minor components.

Urban land soil is most frequently found in moderate to cool climates, with average annual temperatures ranging from 45 to 64 degrees Fahrenheit. It has a very low water capacity and a highly variable composition, ranging from sandy to loamy, silty to clayey.

Sassafras soil is well-drained and also has a low water capacity. It consists of gravelly loam, a mixture of soil textures and particle sizes with a high level of organic matter.

Source: http://geologys.hol.es/types-of-soil-in-baltimore-maryland/

Source: USDA Web Soil Survey

This table shows the hydrologic soil group of the design site. Hydrologic soil groups are based on estimates of runoff potential. Soils are assigned to one of four groups according to the rate of water infiltration when the soils are not protected by vegetation, are thoroughly wet, and receive precipitation from long-duration storms.

This site is in the Group D hydrologic soil group; it has a very slow infiltration rate (high runoff potential) when thoroughly wet. It also means that the soil in this area has a very slow water transmission.

Source: USDA Web Soil Survey





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### **Hydrology**

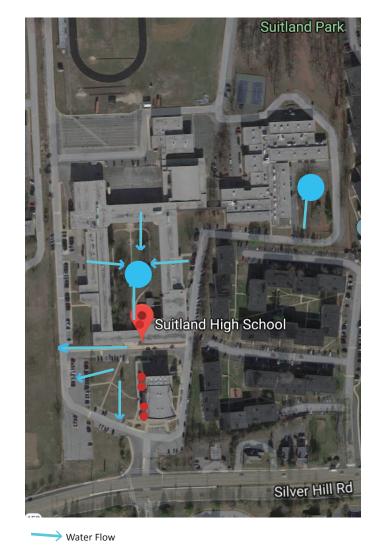
#### Introduction

- •Suitland High School is in the Oxon Run Watershed, on the border of the Hensen Creek Watershed.
- •Oxon Run Watershed flows into the Potomac River Watershed, which flows into the Chesapeake Bay Watershed.
- •Water on-site drains generally to the north and northwest.
- •The buildings are flat-roofed, with few visible exterior drains and gutters.
- •Water pools in the center of the main courtyard when it rains.
- •Water also pools in the recessed north side of the lot by the vocational studies building.
- •Water from the main entrance and auditorium drain across the parking lot and to the west.

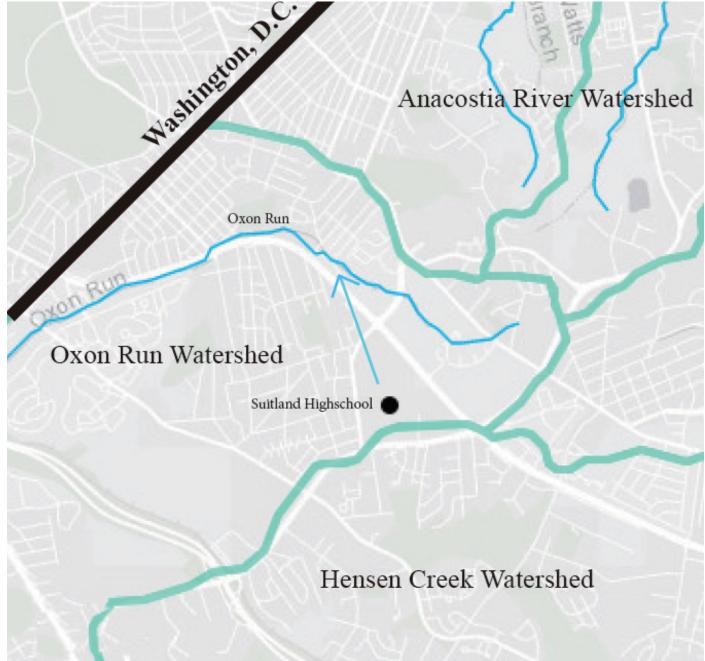
#### Drainage

**Pooling Water** 

Scupper (Rain



#### Hydrology







### **Climate**

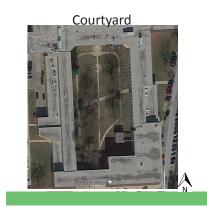
#### **Maryland hardiness zones**

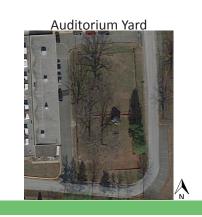


#### **PG County Climate**

	Prince George's	<b>United States</b>
Average Rainfall	42 in	39 in
Average Snowfall	14.5 in	25.8 in
Precipitation Days	73	102
Sunny Days	203 in	205 in
Average July High	87.9°F	86°F
Average Janurary Low	25.9°F	22.6°F

#### **Daily Sun/ Shade**

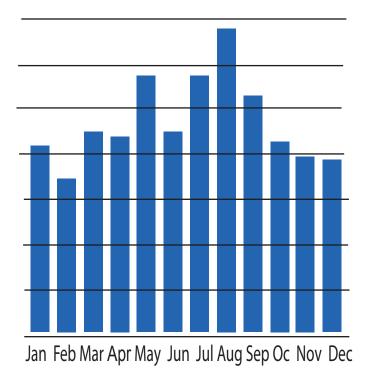




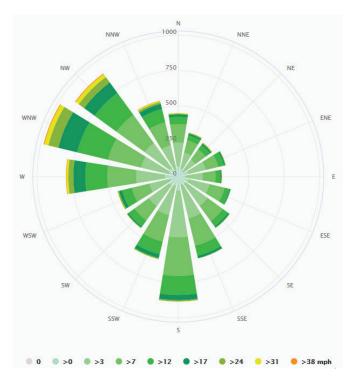




#### Temperature



#### **Wind Rose**



Shade mainly around perimeter of space

Mainly full sun

Full sun all day

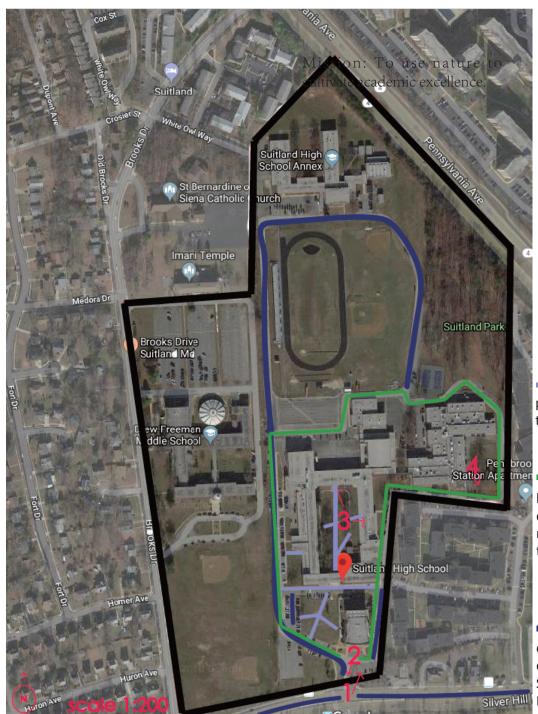
Catherine Garcia





### **View and Circulation**

#### Circulation



pedestrian pedestrian pedestrian route goes mainly through the courtyard.

bus route bus route goes from the campus entrance, around the main building and the technical studies building.

car route cars move around the space on main roads including Silver Hill Avenue and Brooks Drive.

#### **Views**

The auditorium is the first building one encounters when entering the site.



Entrance to Suitland HS: view of auditorium



View of road from auditorium



Entrance to courtyard



View to the right  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) \left( 1\right)$ 



View into children's playground

Evan-Claire Schaum





### **Proposed Plants**

#### **Trees**

#### Sun

Chionanthus virginicus White Fringetree Mesic Sun-Part Shade, 20-35'

Betula nigra River Birch Moist-Mesic Sun-Part Shade, 50-75'

Acer rubrum Red Maple Moist-Mesic Sun-Part Shade, 40-100'

#### Shade

Ilex opaca American Holly Moist-Mesic Sun-Shade, 15-50'

Amelanchier canadensis Serviceberry Moist-Mesic Part Shade-Shade, 35-50'

Magnolia virginiana Sweetbay Magnolia Moist-Mesic Sun-Shade, 12-30'



**Shrubs** 

Ilex glabra Inkberry Moist-Dry Sun-Shade, 6-10'

> Cornus amomum Silky Dogwood Moist-Mesic Sun-Part Shade, 6-12'

Itea virginica Virginia Sweetspire Moist-Dry Sun-Shade, 6-10'



#### Shade

Lindera benzoin Spicebush Moist-Mesic Part Shade-Shade 6-16'

Cephalanthus occidentalis Buttonbush Moist-Mesic Sun-Shade, 5-12'





Monarda didyma Beebalm Moist-Mesic

Lobelia cardinalis **Cardinal Flower** Moist-Mesic

Chelone glabra Turtlehead Moist-Mesic



#### **Shade**

Tiarella cordifolia Foamlower Mesic Part Shade-Shade, 6"-1'



Polygonatum biflorum Smooth Solomon's Seal Moist-Dry Part Shade-Shade, 1-3.5'



#### **Grasses and Ferns**

#### Grasses

Andropogon virginicus Broomsedge Moist-Dry Sun, 1-3'



Panicum Virgatum Switch Grass Moist-Dry Sun-Part Shade, 3-6'



Carex stricta Tussock Sedge Moist-Mesic Sun, 1-3.5'



#### **Ferns**

Osmunda cinnamomea Cinnamon Fern Moist-Mesic Sun-Shade, 2-5'



Osmunda regalis Royal Fern Moist-Mesic Sun-Shade, 1.5-6'



Onoclea sensibilis Sensitive Fern Moist-Mesic Sun-Shade, 1-3.5'









Sun-Part Shade, 2-5'

Sun-Part Shade, 2-4'

Sun-Part Shade, 1-3'











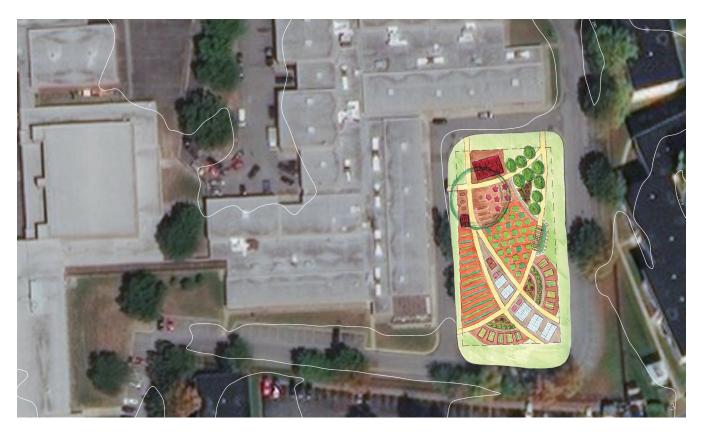
### **Design Alternative #1**

### **Growing Excellence at Suitland High School**

#### **Master Plan**





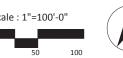


#### Goal

To use nature to cultivate academic excellence.

#### Legend

- 1 Excellence in education
- 2 Excellence in school pride
- 3 Excellence in productivity





Olivia Duley, Allison Fields, Maria Harrington





### Courtyard

**Site Plan** 



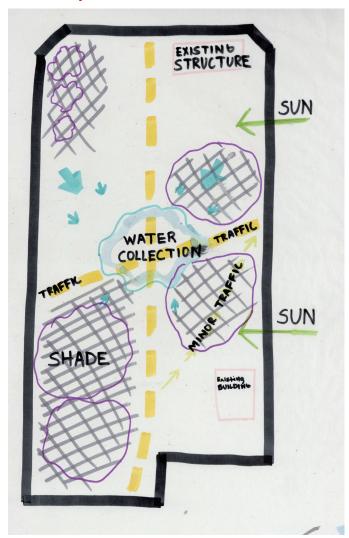
#### Goal

To foster interest and excitement for learning through an enriched learning environment.

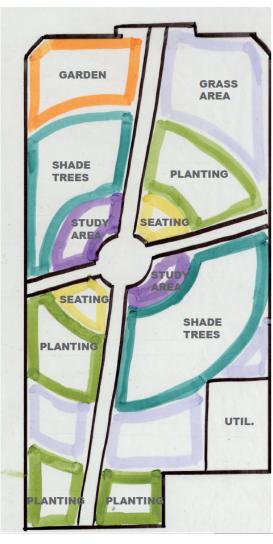
#### **Objectives**

- maintain efficient traffic flow
- create an area of interest with a variety of learning opportunities
- create an area for students to gather and study outdoors

#### **Site Analysis**

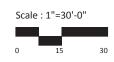


#### **Functional Diagram**



#### Legend

- 1 Study Area
- 2 Seating Area
- 3 Existing Building
- 4 Planting Area
- 5 Shade Trees
- 6 Garden
- 7 Meadow Area





Olivia Duley





#### **Perspectives**



#### Inspiration







#### **Plants**



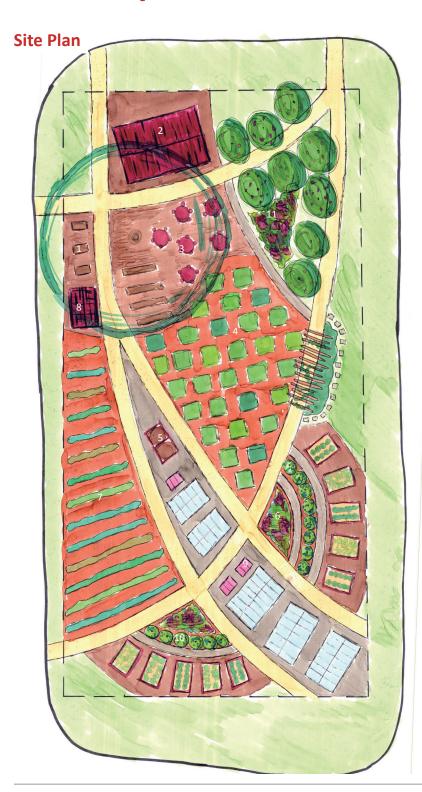








### Courtyard



#### Goal

Promote education in horticulture, farming, and nutrition through handson and outdoor learning.

#### **Objectives**

- engage tech students in farm construction and maintenance
- create an outdoor education area
- provide access to free food for students during summer months
- create space for community activities and volunteer opportunities

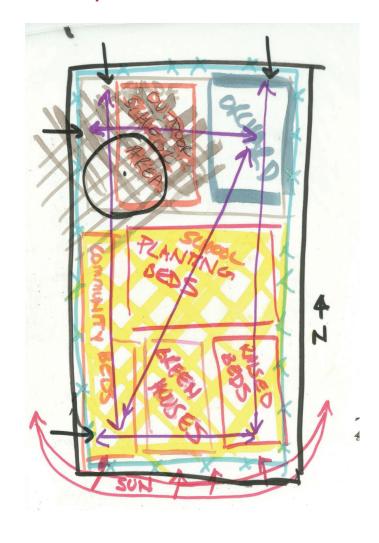
#### Legend

- 1 Planting Table
- 2 Pavillion
- 3 Outdoor Classroom
- 4 Community Garden
- 5 Compost
- 6 Flower Garden
- 7 Teaching Garden
- 8 Shed
- 9 Cistern
- J CISCELL
- 10 Fruit Shrubs 11 Orchad

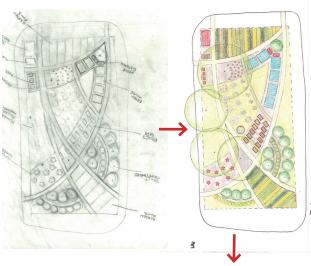


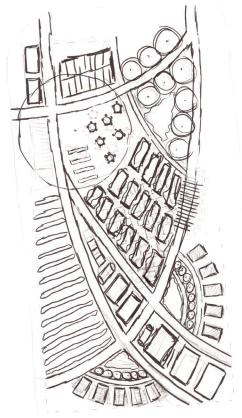


#### **Site Analysis**



#### **Design Process**







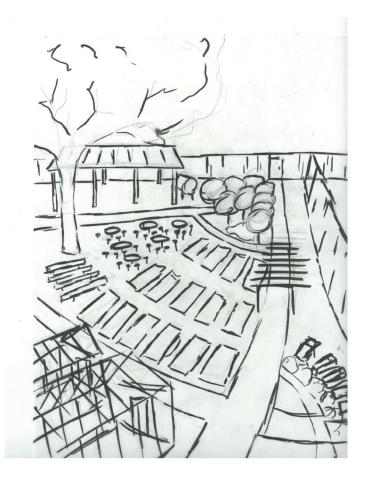




### **Technical Academy**

#### **Perspective**





#### Section



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### Entrance

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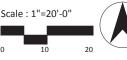
Create a space that represents school pride while showcasing the theme of "Growing Excellece" through the use of planting beds.

#### **Objectives**

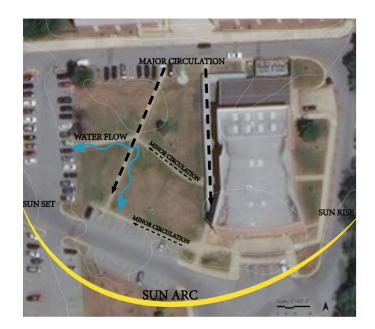
- Demostrate school pride at the front of the school
- Implement stormwater management
- Bring students outdoors to learn

#### Legend

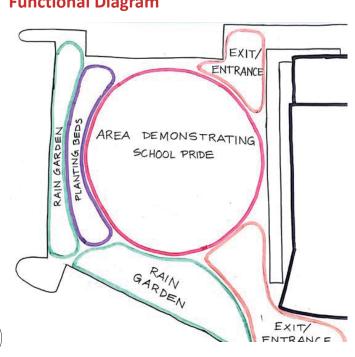
- 1 Ram Horn Plantings 2 Rain Gardens
- 3 Planting Beds
- 4 Wood Rain Garden Walkway



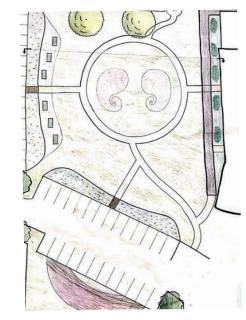
#### **Site Analysis**

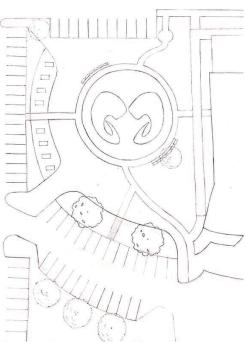


#### **Functional Diagram**



#### **Design Process**





Maria Harrington





#### Perspective 1



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#### Perspective 2



Perspective 3







### **Design Alternative #2**

### **Honey: A Green Solution for Different Learning**

**Master Plan** 

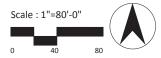


#### Goal

Use natural systems and their products for education and community engagement.

#### **Objectives**

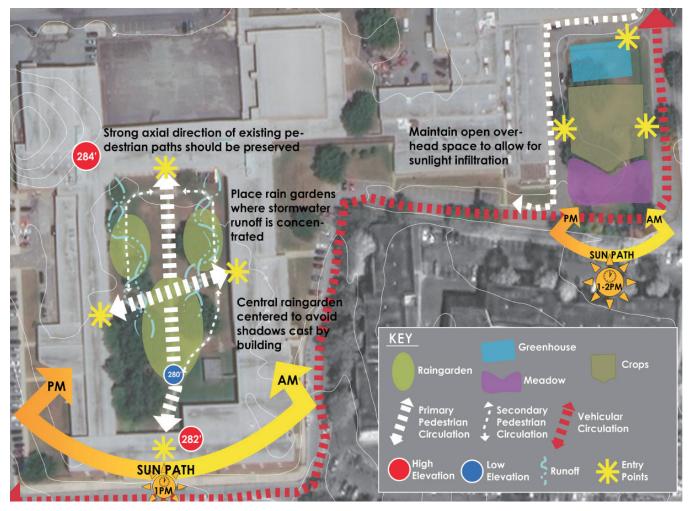
- Provide hands-on experience
- Outreach
- Natural Systems
- Education
- Youth Achievement



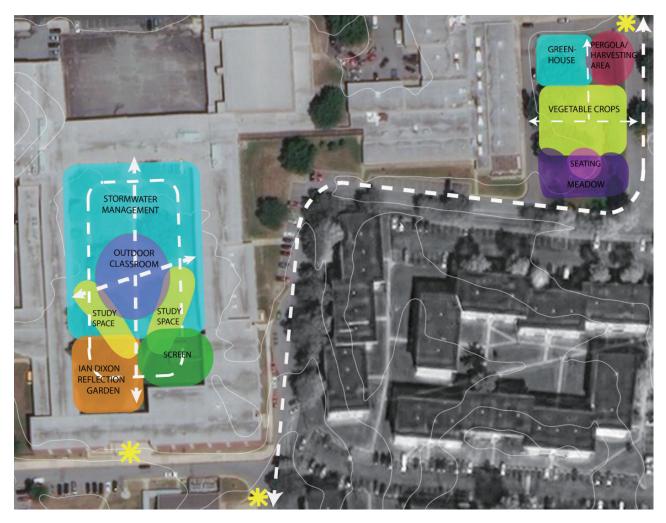
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#### **Site Analysis**



#### **Functional Diagram**



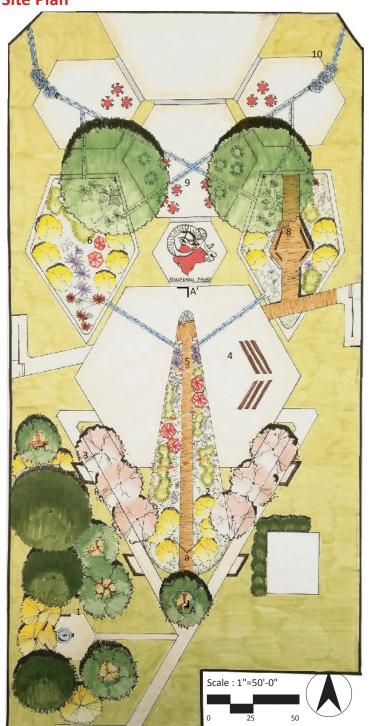
#### **Proposed Plants**





### Courtyard

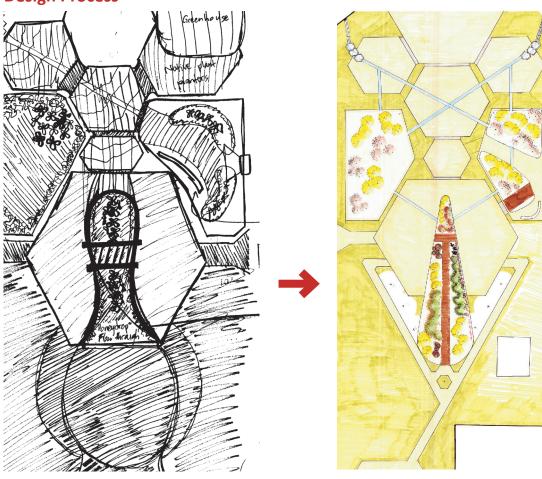
#### **Site Plan**



### Legend

- 1. Ian Dixon Reflection Plaza
- 2. Honeydrop Rain Garden
- 3. Study Coves
- 4. Outdoor Classroom
- 5. Resin Glass Archways
- 6. Collector Rain Garden
- 7. Remarkable Rams "Bulletin"
- 8. Teaching Garden
- 9. Outdoor Lunch Area
- 10. Rainwater conveyance system

#### **Design Process**



#### Section A-A'



Mia Manning





#### **Perspective**



#### Inspiration

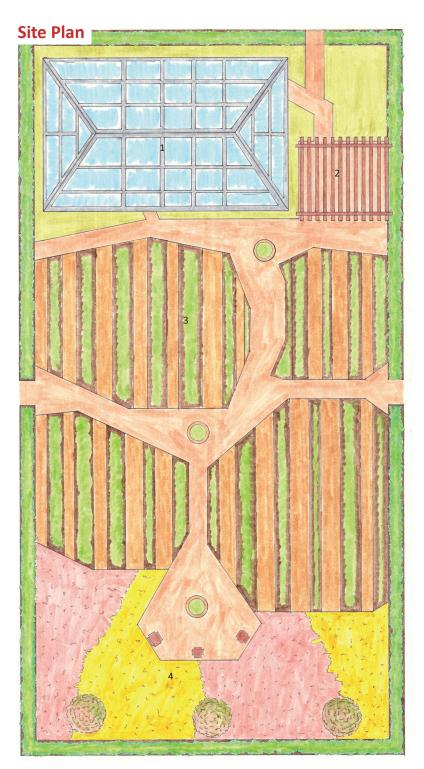






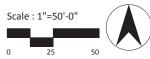


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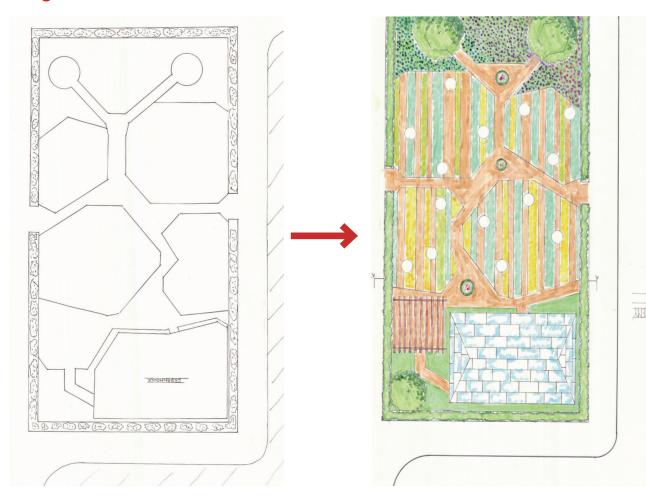


Legend

- 1. Greenhouse
- 2. Pergola/Production & Packaging
- 3. Vegetable Crops
- 4. Meadow



#### **Design Process**



#### Inspiration





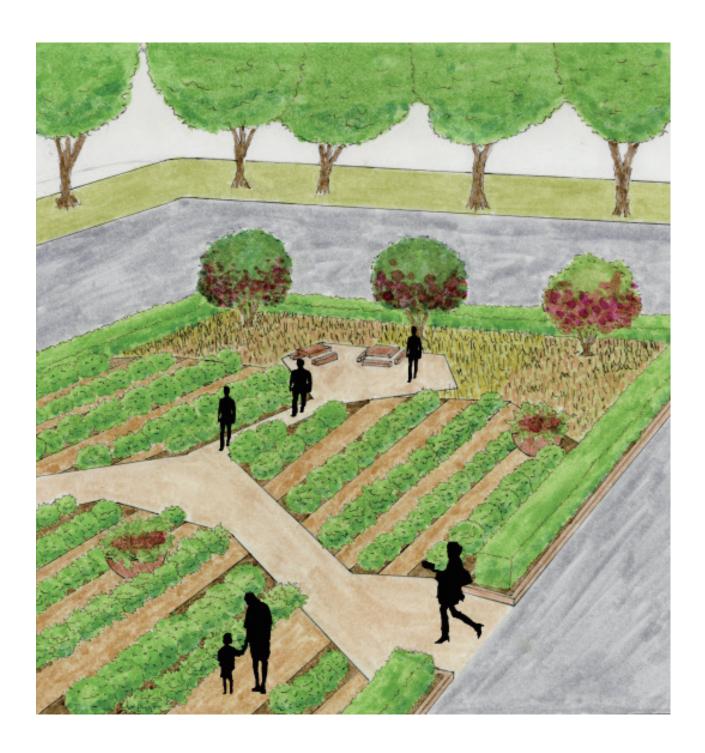
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#### **Perspective**







# **Design Alternative #3**Promoting Positivity

**Master Plan** 





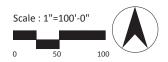


#### Concepts

Inspired by Suitland's 4P's motto, each of the three areas embody one of the 'P' words (Purposed, Productive, and Peaceful), with the overall goal of creating a positive learning environment.

#### Legend

- 1. Productive Courtyard
- 2. Purposed Plaza
- 3. Peaceful Park



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### **Entrance**

#### **Site Plan**



#### Goal

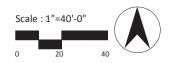
Enrich Suitland's school spirit by embracing the theme of "Purposed" to encourage students to find their purpose.

#### **Objectives**

- provide an outdoor space for students and visitors to stay and socialize
- solve circulation issues for those entering the school
- incorporate sustainable design to improve environmental health
- solve rainwater roof runoff problem with vegetative awning
- provide innovative seating options

#### Legend

- 1. Redesigned parking spaces
- 2. Seating with vegetation in back
- 3. Red mosaic statue
- 4. Rain garden
- 5. Vegetative awning
- 6. Open plaza space
- 7. Seating
- 8. Scattered green space
- 9. "Enter to Learn" "Leave to Achieve"



#### **Site Analysis**



#### **Functional Diagram**



#### **Perspectives**

Perspective showing green spaces, stone seating areas, and pervious plaza space



Perspective showing focal point statues that provide places to learn and socialize, as well as a point of interest to draw walkers



Inspiration













### Courtyard

#### **Site Plan**



#### Goal

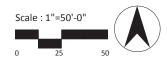
Better use the central courtyard to create a 'productive' space that provides learning opportunities and engages students outside.

#### **Objectives**

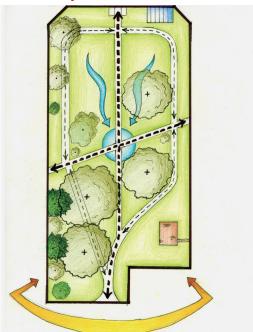
- provide a space for outdoor learning
- solve flooding problem in the courtyard's center
- supply local ecological benefits
- provide a space for students to gather and eat.
- create a school garden to be incorporated in school lunches
- accommodate heavy circulation between classes

#### Legend

- 1. Produce garden
- 2. Gathering area
- 3. Rain garden
- 4. Pathway
- 5. Outdoor learning space
- 6. Butterfly garden



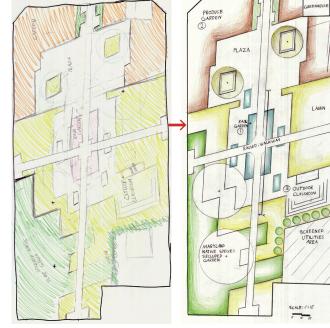
#### **Site Analysis**



**Functional Diagram** 

#### Inspiration

**Design Process** 











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#### **Perspectives**





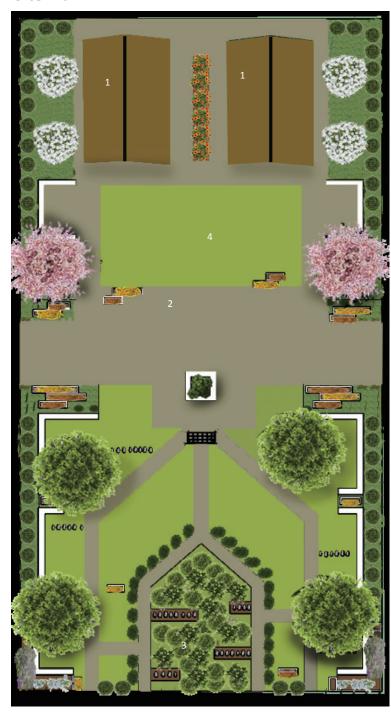


Southeast View of Rain Garden and Outdoor Classroom

East View of Lunch Plaza with Greenhouse and Produce Garden

### **Technical Academy**

#### **Site Plan**



#### Goal

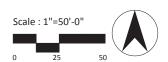
To restore a neglected lot into a beautiful and ecologically friendly space for teachers and students to relax, gather, and learn.

#### **Objectives**

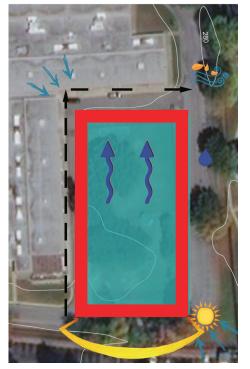
- provide a space for outdoor learning
- implement stormwater management
- supply local ecological benefits
- provide a space for students to gather and eat

#### Legend

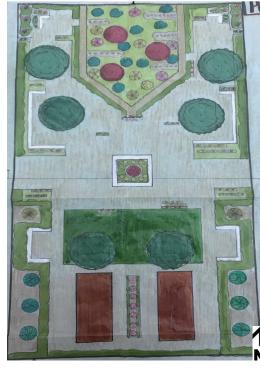
- 1. Pavilion
- 2. Gathering area
- 3. Rain garden
- 4. Meadow



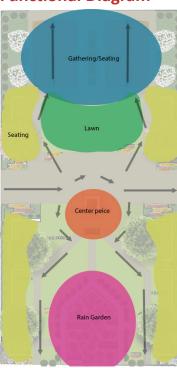
#### **Site Analysis**



#### **Initial Concept**



#### **Functional Diagram**



#### Inspiration







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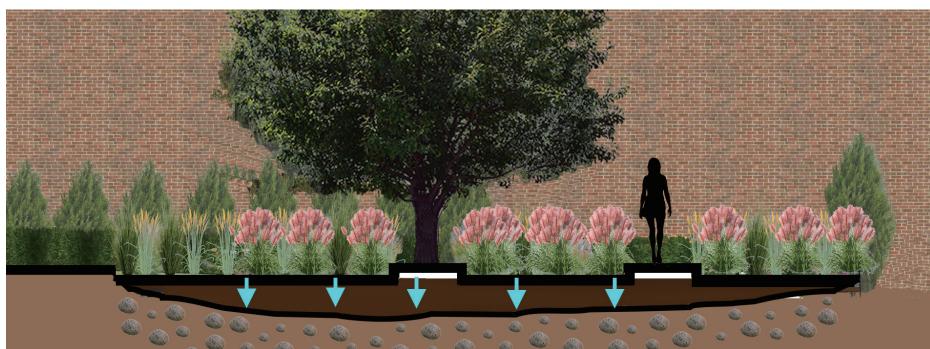


#### **Perspectives**



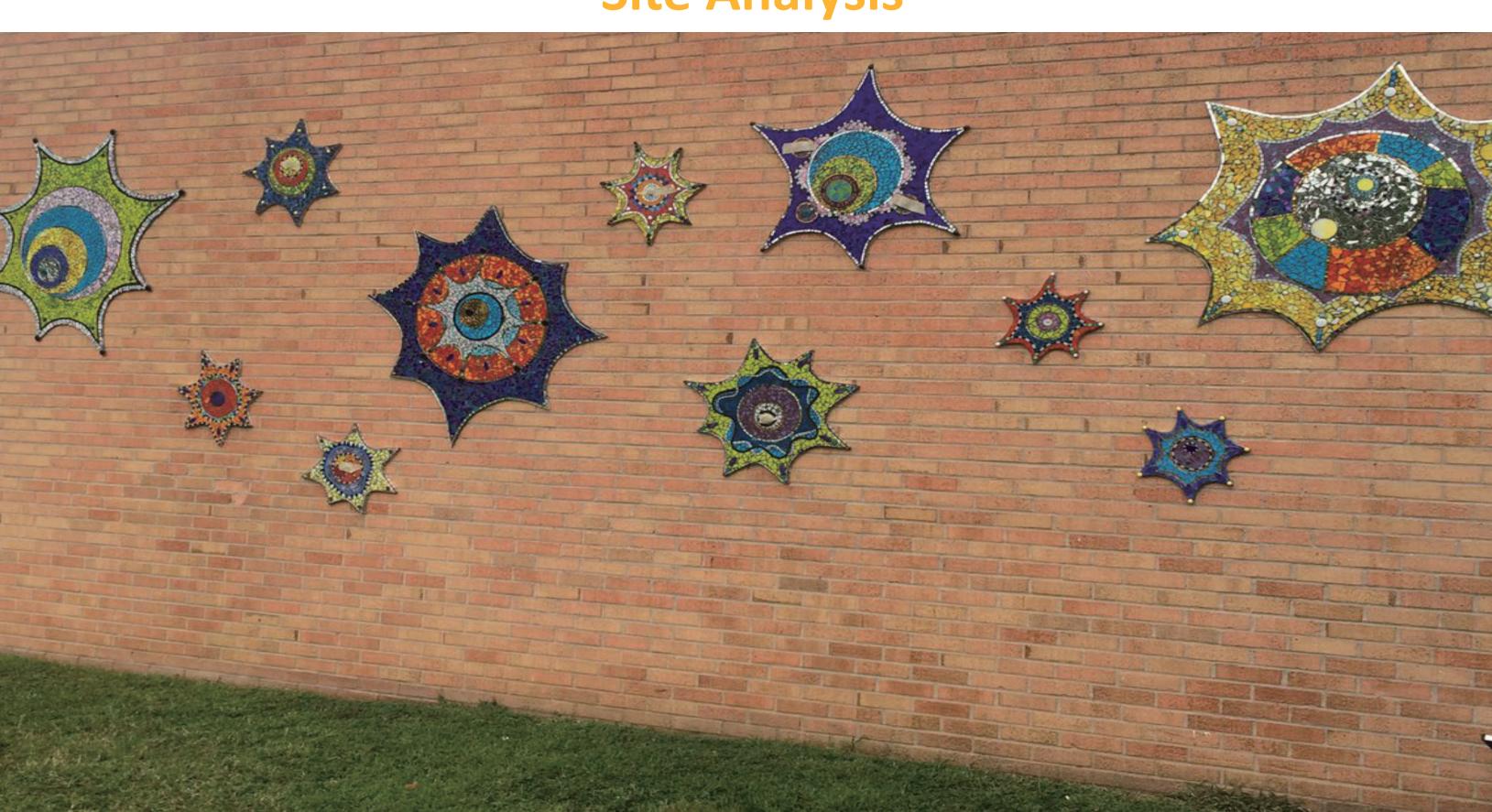


Section



# William Wirt Middle School

**Site Analysis** 



### **History and Demographics**

#### **School History**

William Wirt Middle School was built in 1963, named for William Wirt, an American author and the 9th US attorney general.

It became a Title I school after the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (NCLB).

A Title I school works to ensure equal, fair, and significant opportunities for all students to acquire high quality education and "meet challenging state academic standards."

#### **Involvement of Students**

In 2007, students from the Engaged University of UMCP worked alongside students from William Wirt Middle School to create a community mural.

The Department of Business and Economic Development granted the project \$8,000, which was used for materials and as a commission for the students involved.

Students worked together once a week for 14 weeks as part of an after-school, Art Club program. The mural itself is designed to "promote equality and acceptance of diverse cultures."

#### **Demographics**

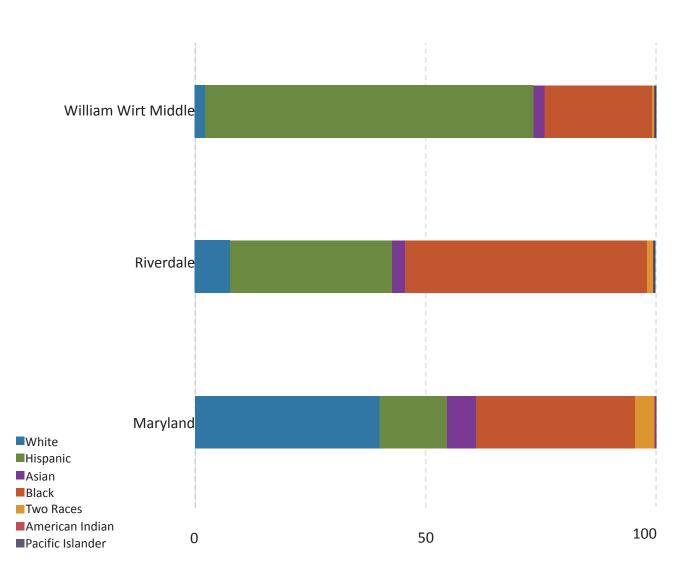
Compared to demographics in Riverdale and Maryland, the population at William Wirt Middle School is very different.

Most students at this school identify as Hispanic, 71.2 percent, compared to 35 percent in Riverdale and 14 percent in Maryland.

The second highest ethnicity in the school is Black, 23 percent of students, which is lower than the Riverdale and state averages.

Finally, remaining William Wirt students identify themselves as White, 2 percent, Asian, 2 percent, and American Indian and/or Pacific Islander, 1 percent.

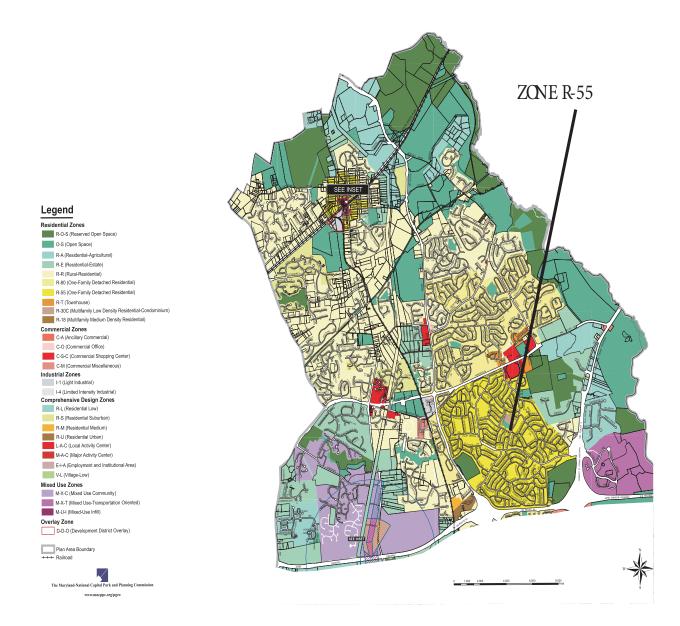




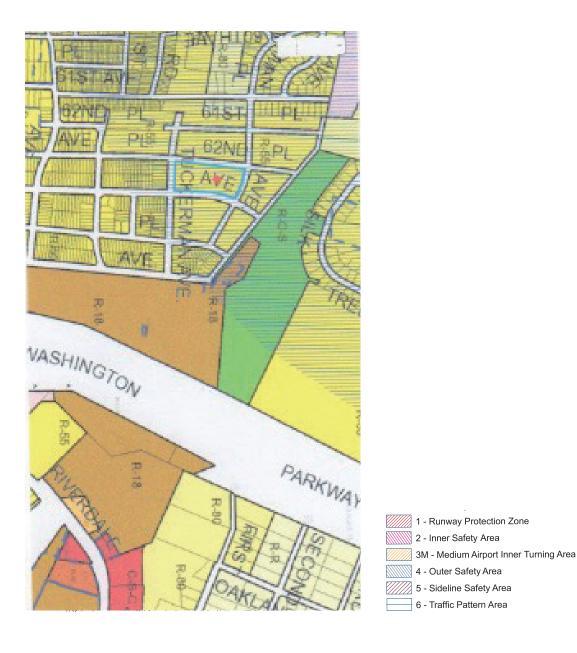


### **Zoning**

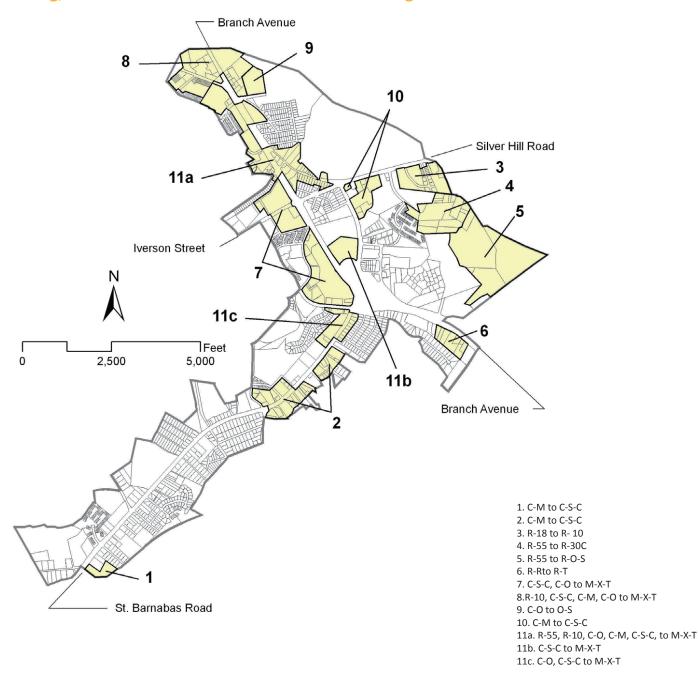
#### **Prince George's County Zoning Map**



#### **Aviation Policy Area**

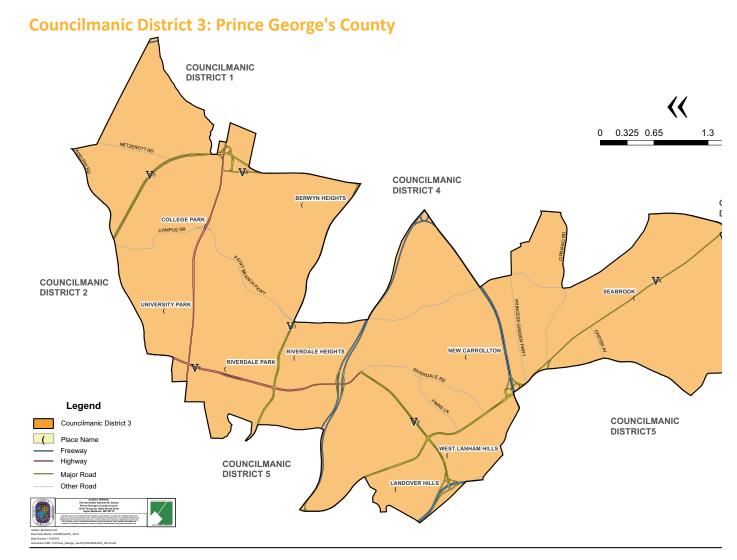


#### **Zoning, William Wirt Middle School and Surroundings**



- R-O-S Reserved Open Space
   Minimum lot size 20 acres
   Maxium dwelling units per net acre 0.5
   R-30C Multifamily Low Density Residential-Condo
- Garden apartments 14,000 square feet
  Two-family dwellings 1,500 square feet
- R-55 One-Family Detached Residential

R-55 One-Family Detached Residential
Permits small-lot residential subdivisions; promotes
high density, single-family detached dwellings.
Maximum dwelling units per net acre 6.70
Estimated average dwelling units per acre 4.2

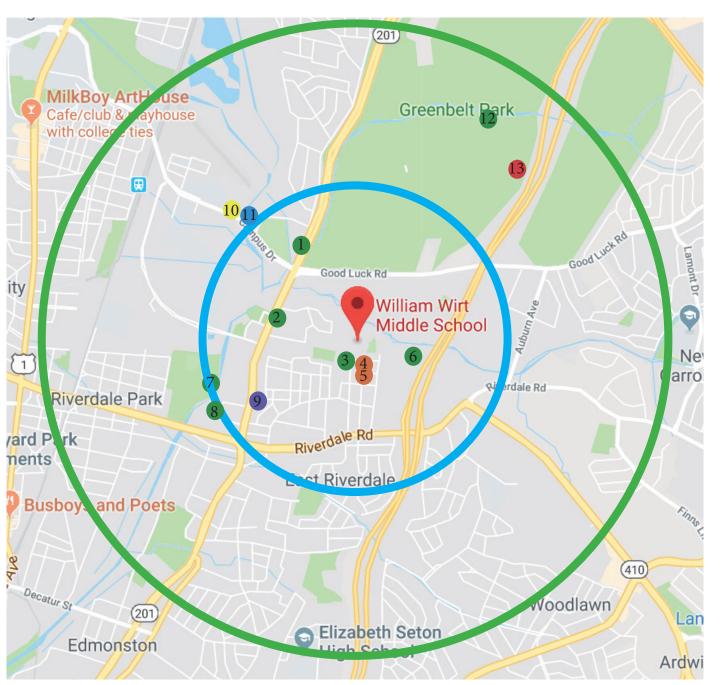








## Context



#### **Community Context (.5 mile)**

- 1.Calvert Road Park Disc Golf
- 2. Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commision
- 3. Riverdale Hills Neighborhood Park
- 4. Field of Greens Community Garden
- 5. Sheridan Street Community Garden
- 6. Serjio Trail

#### **Community Context (1 mile)**

- 7. Riverdale Community Park
- 8. Riverdale Recreation Center
- 9. Rinaldi's Riverdale Bowl
- 10. Herbert Wells Ice Rink
- 11. Ellen E Linson Swimming Pool
- 12. Greenbelt Park
- 13. Geenbelt Campground









## **Soil Classification**

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#### **Paved Area**

Paved Area



#### SnB—Sassafras-Urban land complex

0 to 5 percent slopes

Description of Sassafras:

Depth to restrictive feature: More than 80 inches

Natural drainage class: Well drained

Runoff class: Low Hydrologic Soil Group: B

Description of Urban Land: Hydrologic Soil Group: D

#### **CdD**—**Christiana-Downer-Urban land complex**

5 to 15 percent slopes

Description of Christiana:

Natural drainage class: Moderately well drained

Runoff class: High

Depth to water table: About 20 to 40 inches

Hydrologic Soil Group: D

Description of Downer:

Natural drainage class: Well drained Depth to water table: More than 80 inches

Runoff class: Low

#### RuB—Russett-Christiana-Urban land complex

0 to 5 percent slopes

Description of Christiana:

Natural drainage class: Moderately well drained

Runoff class: Medium

Depth to water table: About 20 to 40 inches

Hydrologic Soil Group: D

Description of Urban Land:

Hydrologic Soil Group: D

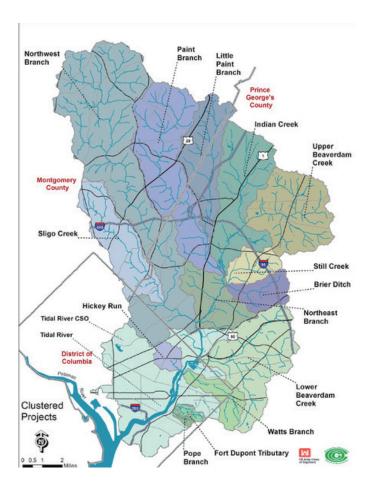
Audrey Wilke



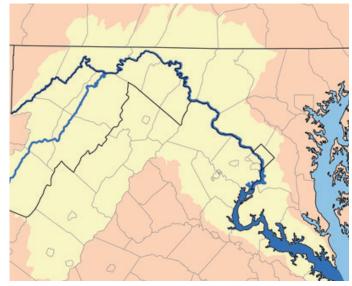


# **Hydrology**

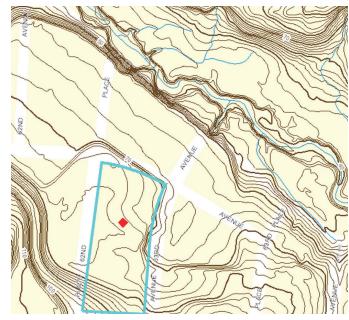
William Wirt Middle School borders Brier Ditch to the north. The school site is in the Anacostia River Watershed, flowing into the Potomac, then the Chesapeake Bay.



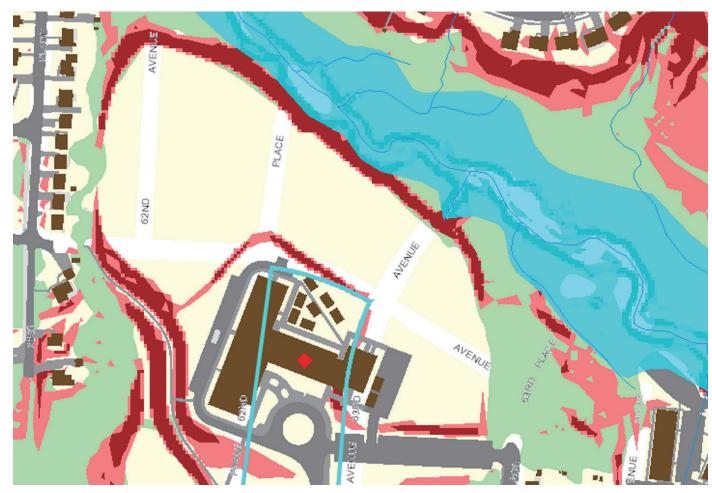
#### **Potomac Watershed**



#### **Topography**



#### **Potomac Watershed**

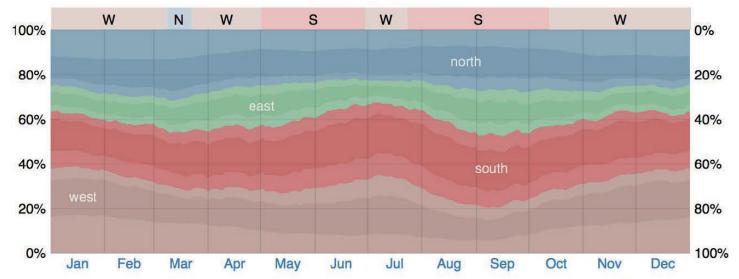


## **Climate**

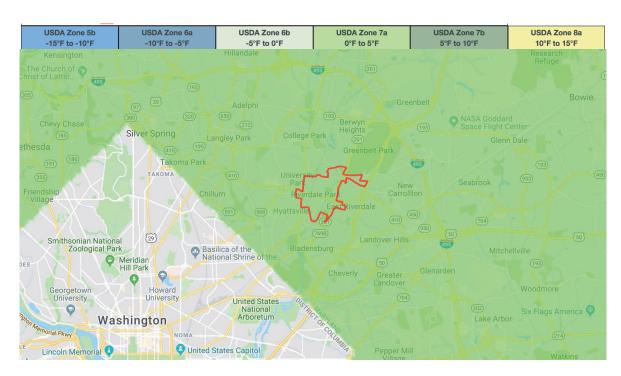
#### Introduction

- William Wirt Middle School is in USDA Climate Zone 7a.
- It has average low temperatures between 0°F and 5°F.
- It is on the east side of the fall line and therefore part of the Atlantic Coastal Plain.
- Characterized as a humid subtropical climate, with humid hot summers and mild to cold winters.
- The hot season last for 3.5 months, May through September, and the cold season lasts 3.2 months, November through March.
- Riverdale experiences mild seasonal cloud coverage variation throughout the year.
- The growing season in Riverdale Park is typically 7 months (214 days), from approximately April 4 to November 3, rarely starting before March 16 or after April 22, and rarely ending before October 15 or after November 25.
- The wind is most often from the north for 2.0 weeks, from March 8 to March 22.
- The wind is most often from the west for 1.3 months, from March 22 to May 1 for 3.4 weeks, from June 29 to July 23; and for 4.9 months, from October 12 to March 8.
- The wind is most often from the south for 1.9 months, from May 1 to June 29 and for 2.6 months, from July 23 to October 12.

#### **Wind Direction**



The percentage of hours in which the mean wind direction is from each of the four cardinal wind directions (north, east, south, and west), excluding hours in which the mean wind speed is less than 1 mph. The lightly tinted areas at the boundaries are the percentage of hours spent in the implied intermediate directions (northeast, southeast, southwest, and northwest).

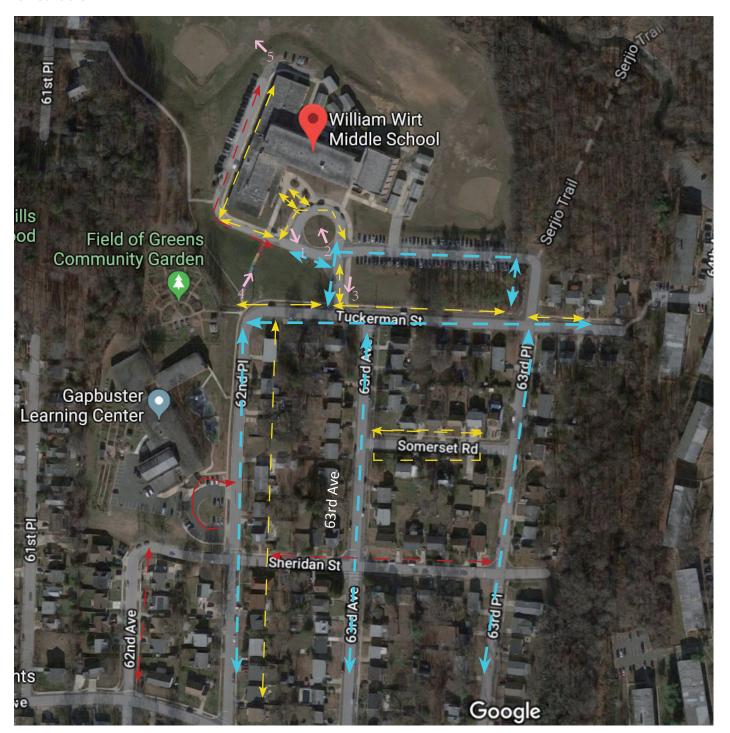


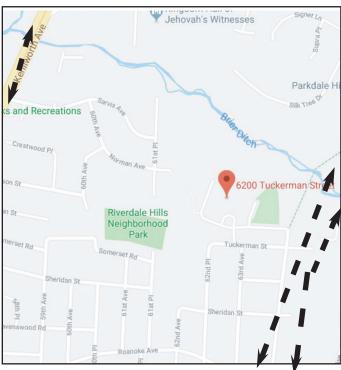
CLIMATE	Riverdale Park, Maryland	United States
Rainfall (in.)	42.7452	39.2
Snowfall (in.)	12.8205	25.8
Precipitation Days	72.3	102
Sunny Days	207	205
Avg. July High	88.391	86.1
Avg. Jan. Low	25.37	22.6
Comfort Index (higher=better)	51	54
UV Index	4.3	4.3
Elevation ft.	44	1,443



## **View and Circulation**

#### Circulation





William Wirt Middle School is located near a few major roads--Kenilworth Avenue, Riverdale Road, and the Baltimore Washington Parkway.

Three roads lead to the school--62nd Place, 63rd Avenue, and 63rd Place. The school is also near Brier Ditch, which separates the middle school from Parkdale High School.

The Serlio Trail cuts across Brier Ditch not too far from the school. Also, there are the M-NCPPC and the Riverdale Hills Neighborhood Parks not too far away.

Medium TrafficLight TrafficPedestrian Traffic

■ ■ Heavy Traffic

#### **Views**











Jessica Meilman





# **Proposed Plants**

#### Grasses/Herbaceous: Up to 4 ft

Andropogon virginicus Zone: 5-8

Sun: FS/PS Soil: Dry

Benefits: Seeds for wildlife

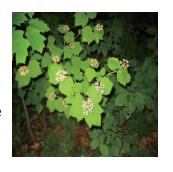


**Small Shrubs: About 5 ft** 

Viburnum acerifolium

Zone: 3-8 Sun: FS/PS Soil: m/d

Benefits: Great for wildlife



Medium/Large Shrubs: 5-15 ft

Ilex verticillata

Zone: 3-9 Sun: FS/PS Soil: w/m

Benefits: Important fo

wildlife



Trees: 50 ft or more

Nyssa sylvatica Zone: 3-9

Sun: FS/PS Soil: All

Benefits: Attractive



Carex stricta Zone: 3-8 Sun: FS/PS

Soil: w/m Benefits: Easy to Grow



Euonymus americanus Zone: 6-9

Sun: PS Soil: Moist

Benefits: Fruit/Seeds for

wildlife



Viburnum dentatum

Zone: 2-8 Sun: FS/PS Soil: m/d Benefits: N/A



Quercus alba Zone: 3-9

Sun: FS Soil: Moist

Benefits: Habitat/State tro



Rudbeckia hirta

Zone: 3-7 Sun: FS/PS Soil: m/d

Benets: Seeds for wildlife



Gaylussacia baccata Zone: 3-7

Sun: PS/SH Soil: m/d

Benefits: Important for

wildlife



Rhus typhina Zone: 3-8

Sun: FS Soil: Dry

Benefits: Good for wildlife



Prunus serotina

Zone: 3-9 Sun: FS Soil: Moist

Benefits: Showy flowers



Lobelia cardinalis Zone: 3-9

Sun: FS/PS Soil: w/m

Benets: Pollinator Plant



Spiraea latifolia Zone: 3-7 Sun: FS Soil: Moist



Lindera benzoin Zone: 4-9 Sun: PS Soil: m/d

Benefits: Deer resistant



Quercus marilandica Zone: 6-9

Sun: PS Soil: Dry

Benefits: Clay Soils







# Design Alternative #1 William Wirt Middle School

**Site Plan** 



#### **Objectives**

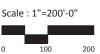
Create an outdoor space with varied functions including education, recreation, and environmental remediation, while dealing with parking congestion and bus movement.

#### **Design Goals**

- Create separate loops for bus and car drop off
- Add seating and an amphitheater into hill to limit cut and fill
- Promote outdoor activity with a performance stage, sports fields, and outdoor learning center
- Locate place-based education directly in wetland for student engagement
- Add multi-functional stormwater remediation

#### Legend

- 1. Wetland
- 2. Outdoor Classrooms
- 3. Sport Fields
- 4. Bleacher Seating
- 5. Amphitheater
- 6. Parking
- 7. Car Drop Off
- 8. Bioswale
- 9. Bus Loop





#### **Site Analysis**



#### **Functional Diagram**



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## **Outdoor Education Wetland**

**Perspective-Wetland** 



#### Inspiration







#### **Perspective-Wetland**







# Parking/Bus Loop

Bioswale Inspiration







**Existing Parking** 



#### **Existing Condition**



#### **Bus Loop**



#### **Parking Lot**







# Amphitheater/Fields

#### **Amphitheater**



#### Inspiration







#### **Field**





#### **Existing Field Conditions**



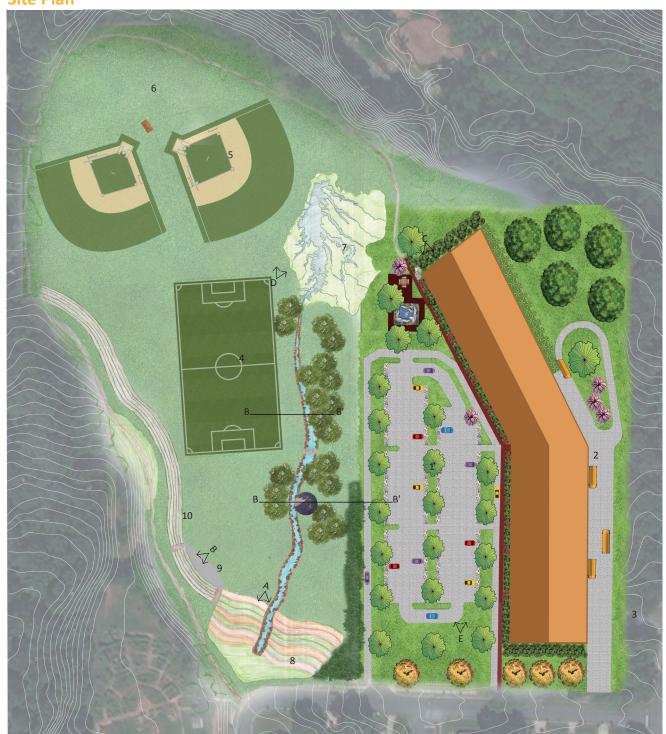




# **Design Alternative #2**

## **Outdoor Education**

**Site Plan** 



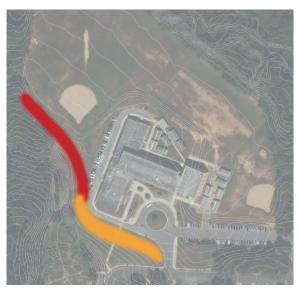
#### Goal

Create a safe and interactive outdoor learning space for the students and the community.

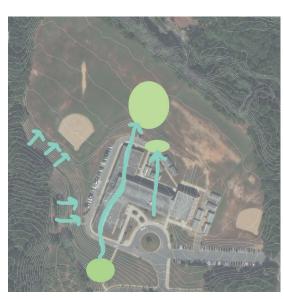
#### Legend

- 1 Parking Lot
- 2 School
- 3 Bus Area 4 Soccer Field
- 5 Sports Field
- 6 Concession Stand
- 7 Chesapeake Rain garden
- 8 Garden Plot
- 9 Amphitheater 10 Natural Seating
- 11 Relaxing/Viewing

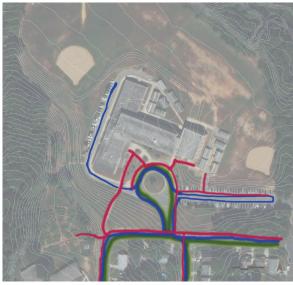
#### **Site Analysis**



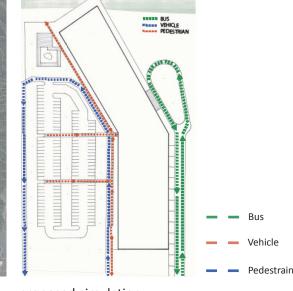
use slopes for seating (red) and garden (orange)



add rain gardens and wetland to retain and guide water on site

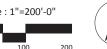


existing circulation



proposed circulation



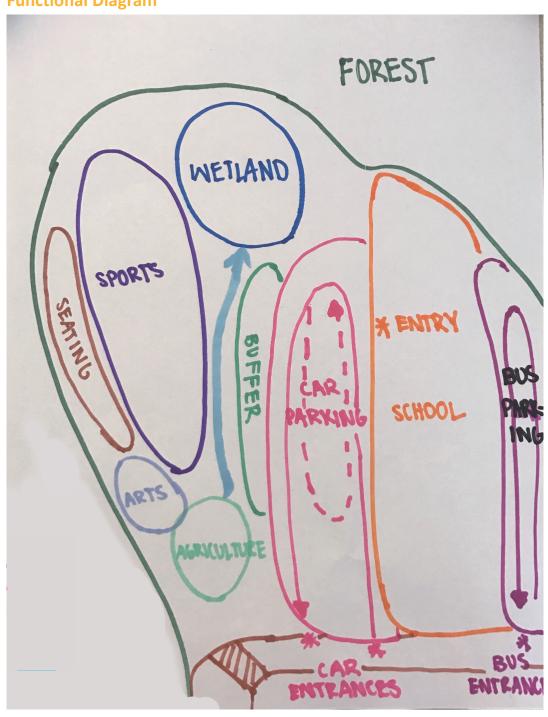


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#### **Functional Diagram**



#### Inspiration



**Proposed Plants** 













Asclepias tuberosa Lobelia siphilitica Butterfly weed Blue cardinal flower







Andropogon virginicus Broomsedge



Heavy Car Traffic

Light Car Traffic

PedestrainTraffic

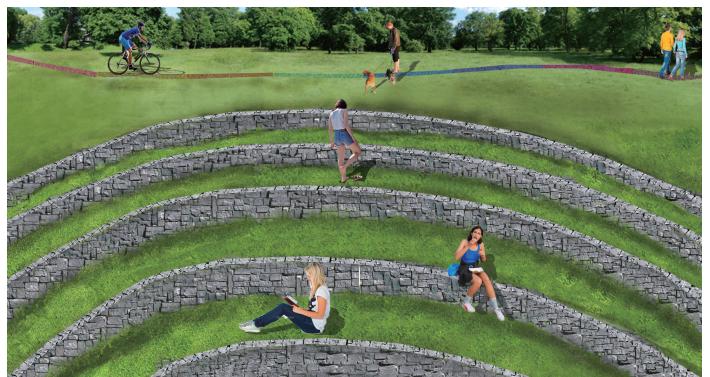


# **Outdoor Learning**

A: Educational Garden Plots and Stream



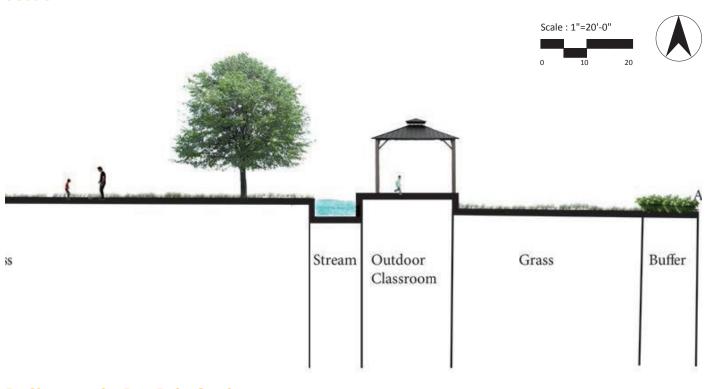
#### **B: Outdoor Learning Environment**



**C: Peaceful Water Feature** 



**Section A-A'** 



D: Chesapeake Bay Rain Garden

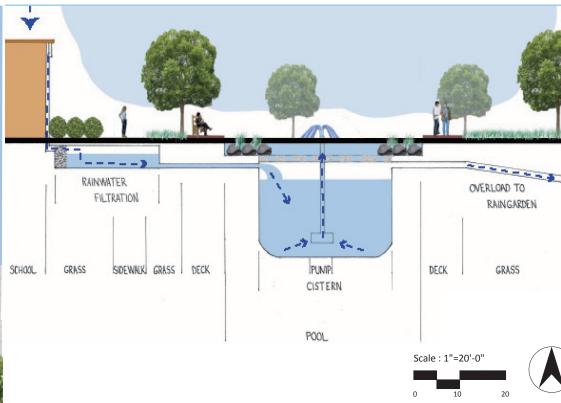




# **Parking**

E: Parking Section B-B'





# Design Alternative #3 Beyond the Classroom

**Site Plan** 

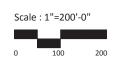


#### Goal

Create an inspiring campus for the students, that is motivating for the teachers and attentive to the surrounding native habitat.

#### Legend

- 1. Amphitheater
- 2.Vegetated Buffer
- 3. Swale Trial
- 4. Greenhouse
- 5. Soccer Field/
  Dry Detention Basin
- 6. Water Plaza
- 7 Sunken Garden
- 8 Native Meadow
- 9. Car Drop Off
- 10. Bus Drop Off



#### **Design Process**



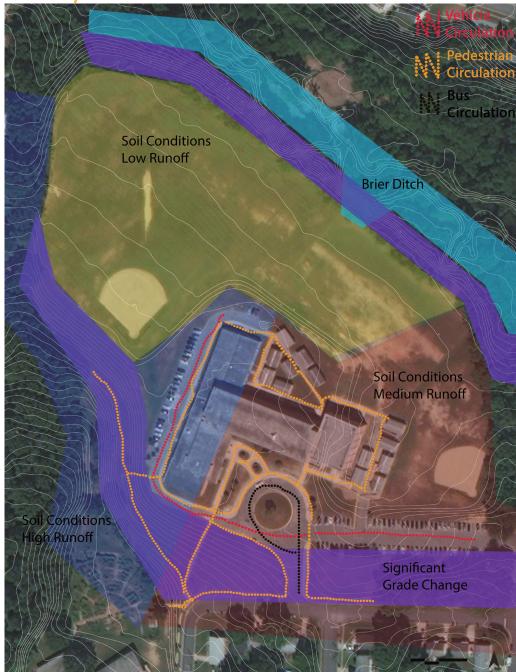


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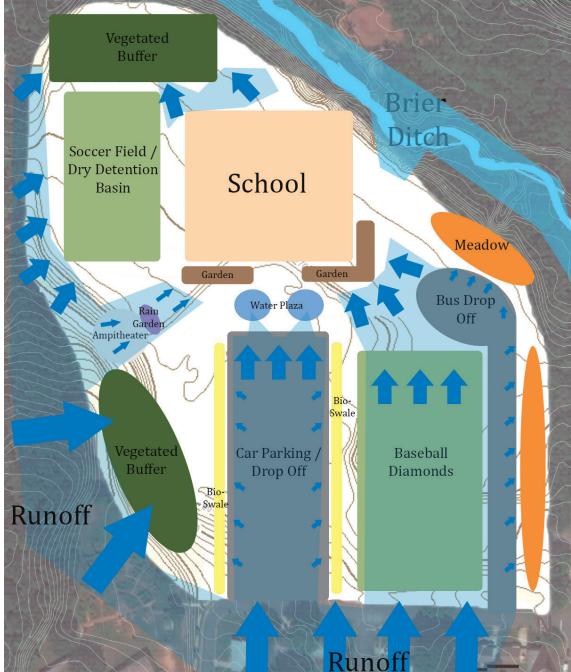


#### **Site Analysis**



The northern border of the site is the heart of Brier Ditch Watershed, a few miles south of Greenbelt Park. Bordered on the west and south by houses, a source of runoff for the site. The site's topography provides sections of significant grade change, where modification is suggested, and vegetated buffers should be installed.

**Proposed Hydrology** 

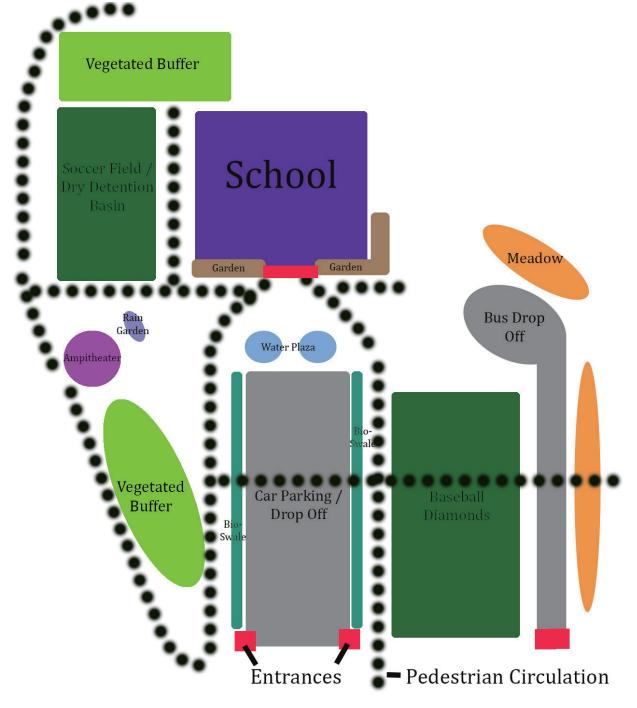


The greatest design challenge is the volume of water, both on and off site, that moves toward Brier Ditch. Using best management practices, this design directs, filters, and retains runoff. These practices reduce erosion, sedimentation, and pollution that create damage downstream in the Anacostia River.





#### **Functional Diagram**



#### **Proposed Plants**

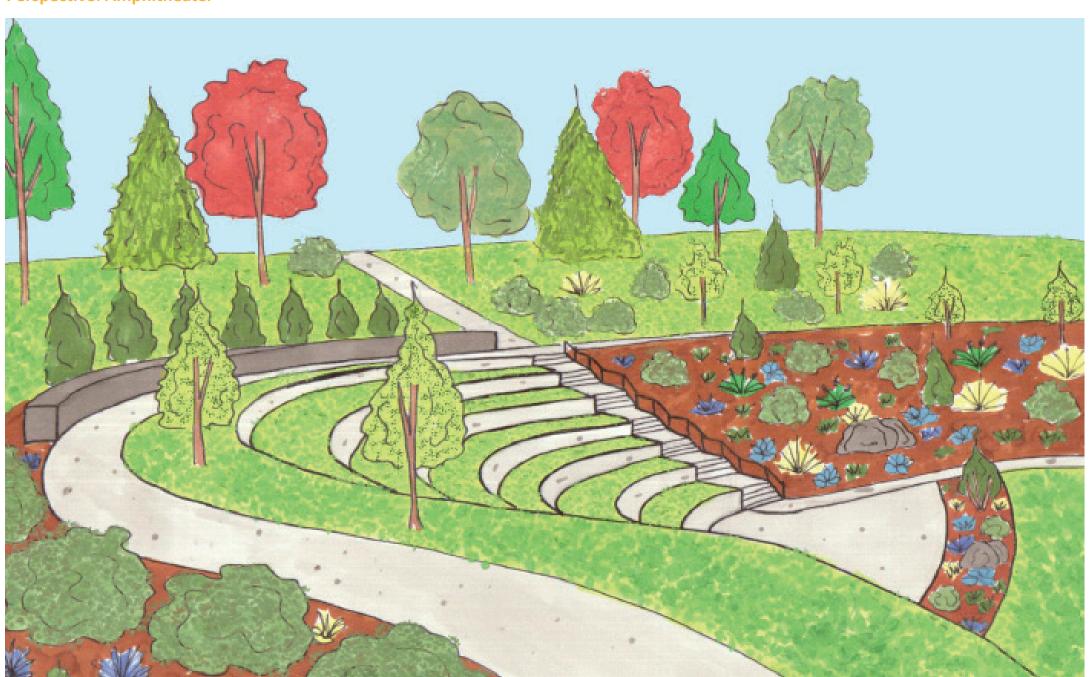
Vegetation is recommended based on its propensity to thrive in the existing site conditions.





## **Education Amenities**

**Perspective: Amphitheater** 



A space to teach, learn, meditate or recreate that can handle and drain high volumes of water and provide a space for the community and school to gather in a natural setting.

#### Greenhouse



**Swale Trail** 





#### **Perspective: Water Garden Plaza**



The Plaza is an enclosed garden space, planted with water-loving grasses and orderly evergreens. The swales bordering the parking lot flow into the two enclosed retention gardens.

#### Inspiration











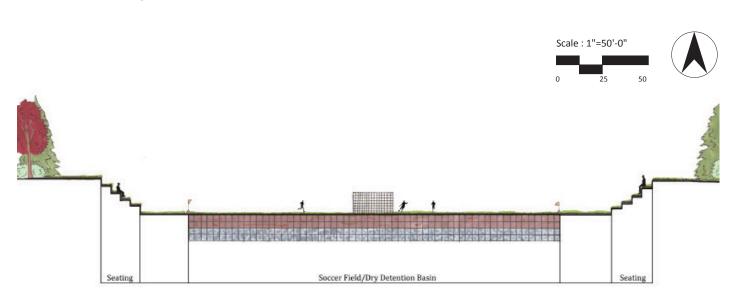
## **Education Amenities: Elevations**

## Amphitheater Elevation

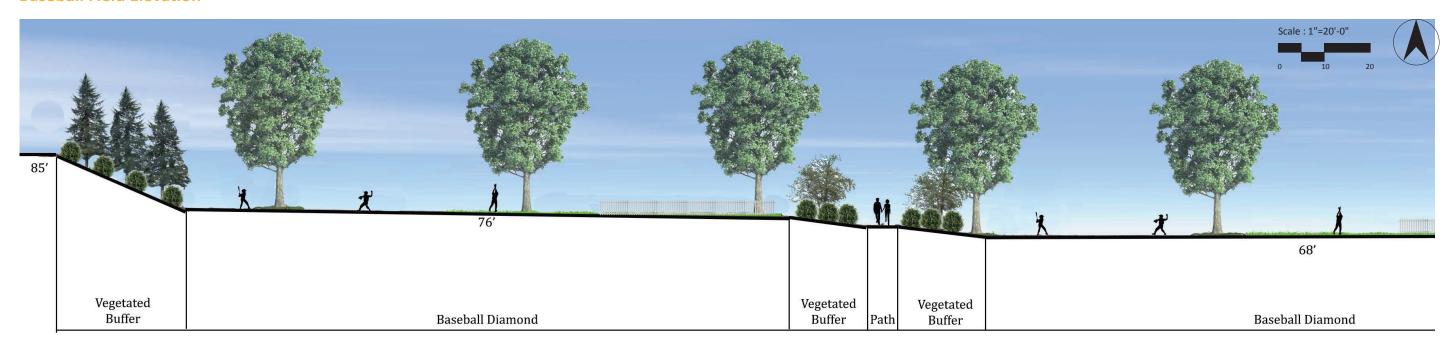
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Ampitheater/Outdoor Classroom

#### **Soccer Field/Dry Detention Elevation**



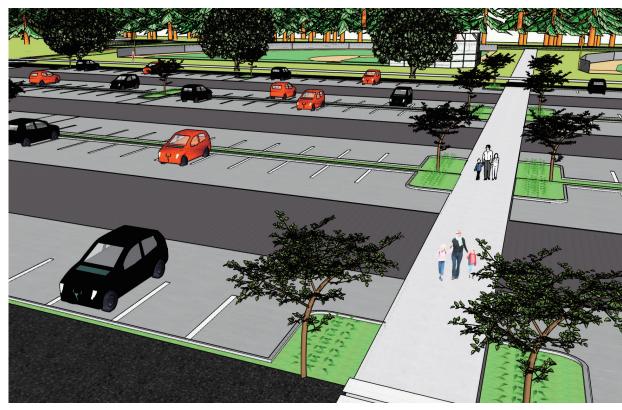
#### **Baseball Field Elevation**



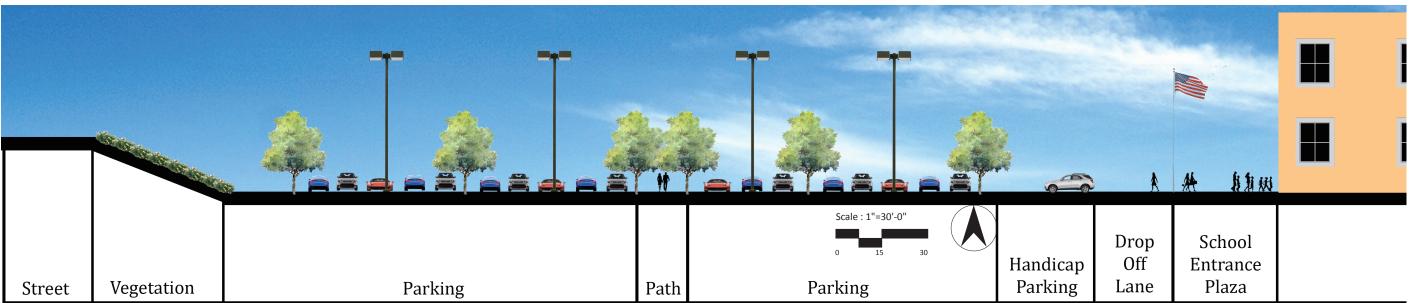


# **Parking**

#### **Baseball Field Elevation**



#### **Car Drop Off/Parking Lot Elevation**





# Suitland High School & William Wirt Middle School

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