

## PUBLIC FORUMS TO BE HELD ON THE PROPOSAL TO ADDRESS FACILITY ISSUES AT ROOSEVELT AND OVERCROWDING AT ROOSEVELT, WEBER, HORN AND KIRKWOOD

Public forums will be held on the district proposal to address multiple facility and overcrowding issues at Roosevelt, overcrowding at Weber and Kirkwood, future elementary enrollment growth on the West side, and socioeconomic and racial isolated enrollment patterns at Roosevelt and Kirkwood.

Monday March 2, 7:00 p.m. West High Little Theater  
Saturday March 7, 10:00 a.m. Northwest Junior High Theater

The forums will provide opportunities for public input through small group discussion and public comment.

The proposal includes:

- Decommission Roosevelt (Roosevelt will be closed and the building will be used for other district purposes or sold.
- Build a new school along Camp Cardinal Boulevard (The Crossings)
- Construct an addition to Horn and increase its capacity from 280 to 400 students
- Redraw boundaries among Roosevelt, Horn, Weber and Kirkwood including balancing socioeconomic and racial isolated enrollment patterns
- Save personnel operational costs of \$374,000 by replacing an elementary school instead of adding an additional elementary school.

Parents from all schools and the public are encouraged to attend.

- The SILO dollars allocated in the proposal and other options are significant and have implications for expenditures at all schools.
- A broad community perspective is helpful on determining the pros and cons of the proposal and other options. Feedback on the most important criteria on which to make a decision will be sought.
- The district is faced with making significant reductions in its budget and reducing operational costs will be one area in which the reductions will be sought.
- The issue of balancing socioeconomic and racial enrollment patterns affects all schools.

Information on the districts proposed School Facility Improvement Plan is available on the district web site <http://www.iowa-city.k12.ia.us/district/SFIP.html>.