



## ARTICLE 16. CCHS CAPITAL PROJECTS

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## ARTICLE 16: CCHS Capital

Article 16 requests approval for funds for the following on the CCHS Campus

- Reconstruction of the access road
- Installing lighting along the access road
- Repairing sidewalks and curbing
- Restoring lost parking spaces





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- Access Road reconstruction was originally part of New CCHS project
- Access Road reconstruction was value engineered out due to abatement cost of old high school
- Old parking lot – contaminated landfill – capped in 2016
- New parking lot/campus has 135 fewer parking spaces
- Has resulted in considerable stress for families and administration



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Since 2015, multiple actions have been taken to overcome the parking deficit

- 2015 - SC urged a “wait and see” approach
- 2016 - Faculty parking moved to upper turf lot
- 2017 - School rented spaces from Beede Center
- 2017 - Campus Advisory Committee formed
- 2018 - Campus Oversight Committee formed
- 2018 - Gale Associates engaged to conduct feasibility study
- 2019 - Campus Sustainability Committee formed



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### Despite best efforts, parking capacity remains inadequate

- Lack of spaces for student drivers
- Lack of spaces for visitor - results in taking of student spaces (IEP Meeting, PA Meetings, Ed Fund Meetings, Principals Coffees, etc)
- Insufficient capacity for large community events
- Continued stress for students and families
- Huge distraction and time consumer for administration



## Why do students drive to school?

- Off campus CCHS sports teams – hockey, fencing and golf
- After school jobs
- Caring for siblings (especially single parent households)
- Club sports – soccer, cross-country skiing, rowing, fencing, etc
- Music lessons and performances – often in Boston



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Gale Associates' study proposed a future parking lot

- 104 additional spaces
- Estimated cost of \$790,903

Concord Department of Public Works reviewed proposal

- Concurs with recommendation
- Estimated cost of \$789,306



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Gale also evaluated the campus Access Road as part of the campus feasibility study:

- Access Road is in poor condition with cracks, patches, and uneven pavement
- Insufficient lighting
- Significant ponding with damaged pavement and sunken utility caps
- Sidewalks and curbing are cracked and in need of replacement
- Concerns have continued regarding the safety of the road and the sidewalks and limited ADA Accessibility



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Gale Associates' study provided the specifications to bring road into compliance:

- new gravel subbase, compaction, and paving of road
- new granite curbing, ADA curb cuts, lighting, and drainage improvements
- Estimated cost is \$1,224,812



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Consulted with Rich Reine, Director of Concord Public Works :

- Provided design and cost estimates for Access Road Reconstruction
- Estimate aligns with Gale & Associates
- Design of Access Road by DPW saved district money
- Assessed parking lot initial design and cost estimates
- Supports both projects being done at the same time.



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Consulted with Rich Reine, Director of Concord Public Works :

- Estimated cost of \$996,312
- Saved district design costs of \$111,346
- Reutilization of reclaimed material rather than all new and 3.5” asphalt rather than 4”



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Access Road Reconstruction	\$ 996,312*
Restore 104 Parking Spaces	<u>\$ 789,306*</u>
Total	\$ 1,785,618

\*Concord DPW believes reconstruction of the Access Road and the restoration of parking should be done together to avoid considerable damage to the new road



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