

New Central Office Proposal

SAU 26 Merrimack School Board

Currently, the
Merrimack
School
District
employs
24 full time
administrativ
e employees

- Superintendent-Bill Olsen
- Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent-Sandy Swanson
- Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum-Amy Doyle
- Administrative Assistant to the Assistant Superintendent-Lynea Forand
- Assistant Superintendent for Business-Matt Shevenell
- Payroll Specialist-Sarah Ruffell
- Bookkeeper-Pearl Bratton
- Finance Coordinator-Laura Bobbit
- Human Resources Director-Melissa Fazlic
- Human Resources Coordinator-Heather Wells
- Human Resources Assistant-Kat Knauer
- Title 1 Coordinator-Marsha McGill

- Registrar-Patty Townsend
- Director of Student Services-Sarah Reinhardt
- Assistant Director of Student Services-Bridget Pare
- Out of District Coordinator-Sherry Burbank
- Preschool Coordinator-Michelle Martineau
- Administrative Assistant to Student Services-Heather Celeste
- Administrative Assistant to Student Services-Judy Munnis
- Director of Student Wellness-Sara Parratto
- Computer Systems Manager-Luda Balonovich
- Director of Technology-Jason Pelletier
- Administrative Assistant to Director of Technology-Amy Tupper
- Data Collection Specialists-Bonnie Henson

These district employees oversee and provide services for 353 full time teaching staff, 340 support staff and 3,621 students

A Brief History of The Merrimack Central Office & Student Services Buildings...



Both houses were built in 1962 and purchased by the MSD in 1970

- Discussions between the School Board and The Planning & Building Committee (PBC) began in 1995 about the idea of a new Central Office building.
 - In 2008, The PBC were formally charged by the School Board with looking into costs and procedures for a sufficient space for our central office staff.
 - In 2010, after 2 years of research and discussions with architects the PBC presented a 9-page report outlining the proposal for a new Central Office with an anticipated cost of \$1.8 million.
 - In 2013, this proposal was on the ballot and received 52% of the vote. Bond proposals must receive 60% of the vote in order to pass so it did not pass.
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- Over the following 2 years, the PBC looked at multiple options including; leasing pre-existing commercial space, current space in the school district, and portable units.
 - In 2015 the PBC, in conjunction with The New England School Development Council presented a new report outlining their conclusions that the only economically feasible solution was a new building.
 - In 2018, the PBC did an engineering study to add an addition to MHS. Existing gas lines would have to be moved at a huge cost.
 - In 2019, the PBC brought a new proposal to the School Board costing \$3.2 million. It never went before the voters.

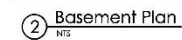
A brief tour...





Proposed Design Plan For The New Central Office





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March 8, 2024

Proposed New Merrimack SAU Office

Assumptions

8,760 s.f. New SAU Building with 2,000 s.f. basement
Old Red Building Site
Assumes Bidding August 2024

Conceptual Cost Estimate

General Building Construction & Sitework (per Hutter budget of 1/9/24	\$4,000,000
Administrative costs	\$495,000
Engineers (structural, mechanical, electrical), Architect	\$325,000
Civil Engineer (by owner)	\$40,000
Materials Testing & Special Inspections	\$40,000
Builder's Risk Insurance	\$35,000
Survey & Geotech Engineering	\$20,000
Utility Company Backcharges	\$15,000
Window Blinds & Signage	\$20,000
Contingency	<u>\$300,000</u>
Project Total:	\$4,795,000

Items Funded Outside of Project:

Legal & Bonding Costs (if any)	\$5,000
Commissioning Mechanical / Electrical Systems (if desired)	\$15,000
Building Technology	TBD

New Central Office Budget Impact

\$4.8 Million

\$4.8 million 3.25%

**Less:
Retired
Middle
School
Bond**

**Tax Impact
Cents per
thousand**

**\$500K
House**

Year	Amount			
Interest 24-25	\$ 120,000	\$ (793,000)	\$ 0.02	\$ 12.08
1	\$ 470,800		0.09	\$ 47.40
2	\$ 460,400		0.09	\$ 46.35
3	\$ 450,000		0.09	\$ 45.30
4	\$ 439,600		0.09	\$ 44.26
5	\$ 429,200		0.09	\$ 43.21
6	\$ 418,800		0.08	\$ 42.16
7	\$ 408,400		0.08	\$ 41.12
8	\$ 396,000		0.08	\$ 39.87
9	\$ 387,600		0.08	\$ 39.02
10	\$ 377,200		0.08	\$ 37.98
11	\$ 366,800		0.07	\$ 36.93
12	\$ 356,400		0.07	\$ 35.88
13	\$ 346,000		0.07	\$ 34.83
14	\$ 335,600		0.07	\$ 33.79
15	\$ 325,200		0.07	\$ 32.74



Scan here for:

- Frequently Asked Questions Proposed School District Central Office Building
- Feasibility of Locating District Special Ed Offices in Mastricola Upper Elementary School
- Proposed New Central and Special Services Office
- Potential Site Plan for New Central Office
- New SAU Cost
- Consolidated Central Office Building
- SAU Air Quality Study
- SPED Air Quality Study