

Space Feedback from Departments

General feedback

- Heating system – with drafty windows, it is often cold in classrooms
- Ceiling tiles frequently have to be replaced
- Poor lighting is an issue
- Space and classroom sizes are an issue
- Air quality and heating/venting (lots of comments on this)
- Not enough rooms, leading to many teachers traveling, which inhibits communication, collaboration, support, sharing of materials, prep time for classes, etc.
- Need specialty areas to support innovative classes, e.g., computer programming
- Difficult to hear the intercom in many areas of the building, creating safety concerns in the event of an emergency situation
- Not enough space for parking, which leads to dangerous situations with too many cars driving in the lots in the mornings and afternoons
- Cafeteria can barely accommodate all students
- The auditorium is not large enough for an all-school assembly.
- The lack of space forces us to hold a study hall in the cafeteria. This is too difficult to monitor and regulate. If study halls were in classrooms, then the teacher could make sure all students were engaged in academic study. The teacher could also tutor students during this time.
- In-school suspension needs to have its own space for in-school suspension only.
- We have simply outgrown the space and the space we have is antiquated. The infrastructure doesn't allow for the allocation of space required of a 21st Century Classroom.
- The hallways are narrow and crowded between periods.
- There is minimal space for seating multiple classes together for collaborative learning opportunities or for collaborative meeting space of any kind during the school day.
- Nashoba has no standard classroom; equipment, seating, accessibility or safety vary room to room.
- Poor lighting in the parking lots
- Too few student restrooms in some academic hallways
- Sinks in the student restrooms usually don't have warm water or don't have more than a trickle
- We are constantly facing issues with technology and the integration of technology in the classrooms because of retrofits.

- BYOD does not work - our network will not support this. If we really want to be a 21st Century School, we will need to invest money into our infrastructure to increase our bandwidth to support a 1 to 1.
- Space to accommodate grouping by connected disciplines (English and Social studies adjacent. much like Math and Science could benefit by being in close proximity)
- No place to go and work without interruption when class is being used by another teacher.

Department-specific feedback

- The need for an up-to-date Fitness room (and equipment).
- Storage space for equipment. Our sports / activity equipment is spread out and not easily accessible to all (in girls and boys locker rooms). One thing that would be helpful would be to have sole access to the closets in the lower gym. Right now sports teams are using some of them.
- Storage area for the mats and equipment that gets put in the far corner of the upper gym (we lose that space for class).
- A larger Foods Classroom
- A larger Health Classroom
- Lack of a dedicated language lab
- Media Center:--not being able to see all the kids has to be a hazard of some type
- The labs in the science area need to be modernized so that students can work safely and productively on labs.