

Penn Cambria School District



ACT 780 HEARING

TO DISCUSS THE CLOSING OF

Pre-Primary Building



August 15th, 2024
Penn Cambria Pre-Primary Building

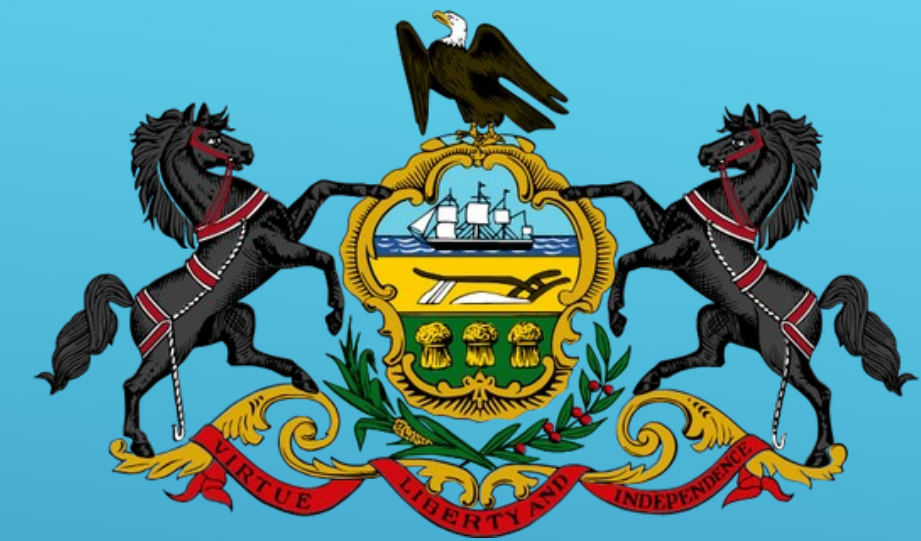
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780 HEARING PROCESS



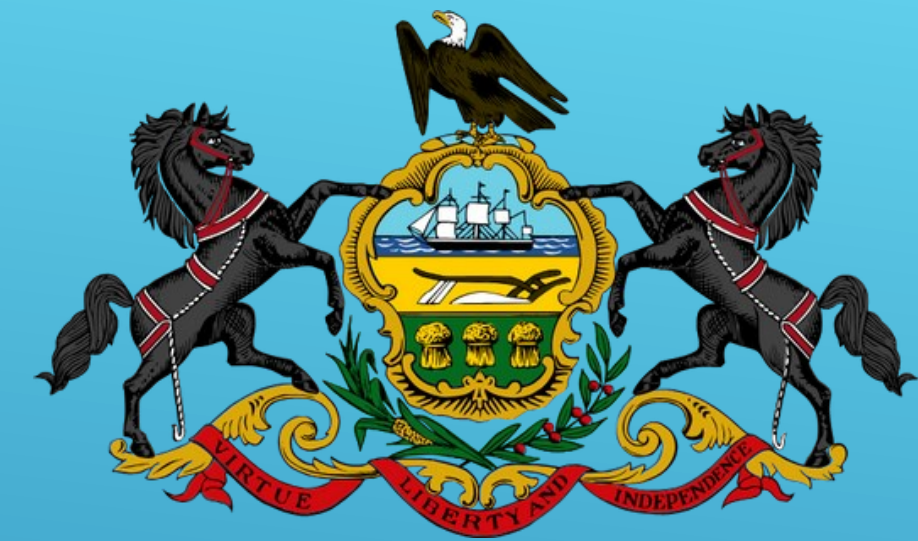
Tonight's meeting is a public hearing to share information regarding the future of The Penn Cambria Pre-Primary School and provide opportunities for public comment regarding this topic.

- **Board President comments will open the Public Hearing.**
- **The District will then present information about The Penn Cambria Pre- Primary School.**
- **Anyone wishing to speak after the presentation will have the opportunity. This public comment period will operate in the same fashion as the District handles its public board meetings. Please hold all comments until the scheduled public comment session.**
- **You may also submit a public comment on our website if you feel you would rather not speak at the public meeting.**
- **A court stenographer will keep minutes of this meeting.**
- **After the Public Hearing, the earliest the Board can vote on the status of The Penn Cambria Pre-Primary School is November 16, 2024.**



PA SCHOOL CODE SECTION 780

In the event of a permanent closing of a public school or substantially all of a school's facilities, the board of school directors shall hold a public hearing on the question not less than three months prior to the decision of the board relating to the closing of the school. Notice of the hearing shall be given in a newspaper of general circulation in the school district at least 15 days prior to the date of such hearings.



PA SCHOOL CODE SECTION 1311

a) The board of school directors of any school district may, on account of the small number of pupils in attendance, or the condition of the then existing school building, or for the purpose of better graduation and classification, or other reasons, close any one or more of the public schools in its district...



HOW WE GOT HERE ...

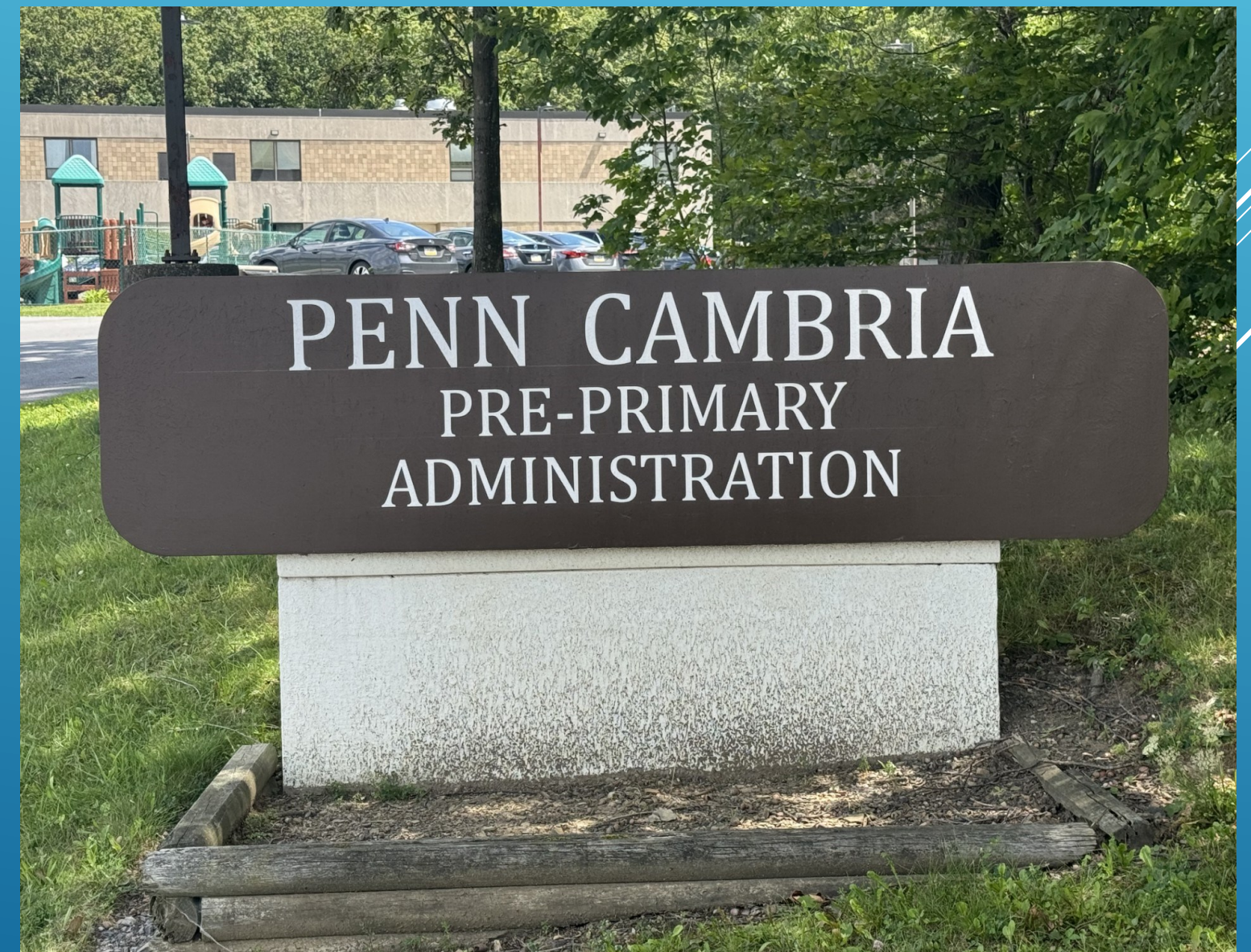
THE HISTORY OF THE Penn Cambria Pre Primary (Originally Cresson Elementary School - 1994)



- **14 classrooms in a 2-story structure**
- **1978-1994: Elementary students from the Cresson community**
- **1994-Present: Several grade structures (K-4), (PK-K), (K,1),**

THE HISTORY OF THE THE PENN CAMBRIA PRE-PRIMARY SCHOOL

- **Original structure built in 1978**
- **1 story wing was expanded in 1993 for district administration/IT**
- **Roofing dates to 2002**
- **All other items are original including exterior finishes, interior finishes, flooring, lighting, and heating**



2023 FEASIBILITY STUDY

Recommended Repairs/Updates Included:

- Roof Piping Portals
- Roof Top Unit
- Domestic Hot Water Heater (\$121,000)
- Electrical Service
- Generator
- Ductwork (\$389,000)
- Lighting and Wiring (\$376,000)
- Domestic Water Piping (\$361,000)



2023 FEASIBILITY STUDY

Recommended Repairs/Updates Included:

- Underground Sanitary as Needed (\$270,000)
- Building Control System (\$267,000)
- Unit Ventilators or Upgrade to Alternative HVAC System (\$227,000)
- Receptacles and Wiring
- Plumbing Fixtures
- Electrical Panel Boards
- Add Receptacles to Classrooms
- Upgrade Telecom Wiring



UPGRADES OF \$3,010,000

The feasibility study identified over 3 million dollars in recommended repairs or upgrades to MEP (mechanical, electrical, plumbing).

Interior and exterior finishes are not included in this number.



DISTRICT FACILITIES FEASIBILITY STUDY

- Independent research conducted by CORE Architects
- Meetings with various stakeholders
- A variety of statistically significant data and options are considered by the board
- Decision is being considered by the board to transition to less buildings
- Common theme from stakeholders was to decrease the amount of transitions for students and increase operational efficiency



WHERE ARE WE GOING ...

IF WE MAINTAIN THE CURRENT BUILDING/ DESIGN

- \$3 million in necessary updates to Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing
- \$25,000 is high priority
- ESTIMATED yearly OPERATIONAL costs/savings is \$14,900





Penn Cambria School District – Feasibility Study

Pre-Primary School MEP Improvements Estimated Costs

PRE-PRIMARY SCHOOL

Item No.	Scope of Work Description	Estimated Cost
High Priority MEP Scope of Work		
PP-HP1	Replace Roof Piping Portals	\$ 25,000
High Priority MEP Scope of Work Estimated Total Cost		\$ 25,000
Medium Priority MEP Scope of Work		
PP-MP1	Replace building electrical service	\$ 139,000
PP-MP2	Replace generator	\$ 77,000
Medium Priority MEP Scope of Work Estimated Total Cost		\$ 216,000

Low Priority MEP Scope of Work		
PP-LP1	Replace roof top units	\$ 117,000
PP-LP2	Replace packaged unit ventilators or upgrade to alternative HVAC system	\$ 227,000
PP-LP3	Replace ductwork	\$ 389,000
PP-LP4	Upgrade building control system	\$ 267,000
PP-LP5	Replace cabinet unit heaters	\$ 38,000
PP-LP6	Replace zone dampers and electric duct coils	\$ 78,000
PP-LP7	Replace building exhaust fans	\$ 41,000
PP-LP8	Replace domestic water piping	\$ 361,000
PP-LP9	Scope and Replace Underground Sanitary as Needed.	\$ 270,000
PP-LP10	Replace plumbing fixtures	\$ 167,000
PP-LP11	Replace building original electrical panelboards	\$ 153,000
PP-LP12	Add receptacles to classrooms	\$ 110,000
PP-LP13	Replace receptacles original to building construction	\$ 139,000
PP-LP14	Add fire alarm strobes to restrooms and classrooms	\$ 23,000
PP-LP15	Replace wiring original to building construction	\$ 150,000
PP-LP16	Upgrade telecom wiring using proper wire management system	\$ 116,000
PP-LP17	Replace clock system	\$ 22,000
PP-LP18	Expand access control system to all exterior doors	\$ 47,000
PP-LP19	Expand video surveillance system	\$ 54,000
Low Priority MEP Scope of Work Estimated Total Cost		\$ 2,769,000
Pre-Primary School MEP Scope of Work Estimated Grand Total Cost		\$ 3,010,000



Enrollment Projections

2024-2025 PC Pre-Primary Enrollment – 103

2028-2029 Projected PC Pre-Primary Enrollment – 98

2032-2033 Projected PC Pre-Primary Enrollment - 92

Enrollment	23-24	24-25	Projected 25-26	Projected 26-27	Projected 27-28	Projected 28-29	Projected 29-30	Projected 30-31	Projected 31-32	Projected 32-33
K-12 TOTAL	1495	1450	1410	1367	1345	1295	1261	1207	1162	1119
K-6	595	563	576	534	552	518	526	493	498	476
7-12	788	779	752	735	708	679	649	615	579	560

2025-2033 PROJECTIONS are a combination of PDE state enrollment projections and our in-house projections as state enrollment projections have historically run lower than actual enrollment.

LEADING OPTIONS FOR THE REPURPOSING OF PRE-PRIMARY BUILDING

New
Academic
Purpose

Rent the
Building
Space

Sell the
Building

NEXT STEPS

Board Will Examine
All Options

Academic and Extracurricular

Policy and Personnel

Buildings and Grounds

Audit and Finance

Outreach

No Decisions Will Be
Made For At Least 90
Days

We encourage community engagement
in the process

Attend Board Meetings

Contribute Ideas

Online comments available at: pcam.org

PUBLIC COMMENT

- The Board of Directors want to hear from you
- 5 minute time limit on comments
- Option for additional comments will be provided via our website for 90 days



**THE PCSD BOARD OF DIRECTORS
WOULD LIKE TO**



**THANK
YOU!**

