Western Sierra Collegiate Academy Facilities Journey

November 4th and 9th

Rev 1

Outline of Tonight's Meeting

- Charter schools and facilities
- Review our current facility and what is needed for the future
 - Interim
 - Long Term
- Discuss our options and get your input

A Short History Lesson Charter Schools and Facilities

- Traditional public schools are housed in school sites built with taxpayer dollars
- Charter schools must use operating money to lease school sites
- Prop 39 was passed by voters in 2000
 - Dropped approval requirements for local school bonds from 66.6% to 55%
 - Resulted in billions of additional tax dollars to build schools
 - Charter school students get access to facilities

A Short History Lesson Charter Schools and Facilities (cont.)

- Prop 39 charter school provisions have limitations
 - Only for "district residents"
 - 80+ in-district ADA needed
 - No obligation to house out of district students
 - Ongoing failure by school districts throughout the state to comply
 - Settlement agreement with RUSD

Settlement Agreement with RUSD

- Allows both parties to avoid litigation
- District and RA agree to engage in good-faith negotiations regarding long range facility planning for WS. The goal of the negotiations shall be to come to an in lieu of Proposition 39 agreement regarding the development, location, and financing of a permanent facility for WS, not located on a current District school site.

Our Current Facility and What is Needed for the Next 2-4 Years

- Good relationship with Sunset Christian Center
- Shared space no room to grow
- WS enrollment will grow to 550 students
- Able to continue with existing space for three or more years
- Church is also growing



Not Waiting for Superman Long Term

- Long Term
 - Update on current status
 - Location
 - Type of building (Field Act vs. UBC)
 - Funding
 - Not going to help us in the short term

Not Waiting for Superman Interim Facilities

- Key Criteria
 - Safety of students
 - Adequacy of classroom facilities
 - Cost of facilities
 - Adequacy/availability of specialized instructional space and resources

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- Two Fundamental Choices
 - Explored numerous location in Rocklin
 - Explored feasibility of Current facility and add more space
 - New location
 - Both choice have pros and cons
 - Neither choice has it all

<u>Not</u> Waiting for Superman Interim Facilities (cont.) Current Facility and Add Space

Advantages

- We are in the space, and it works!
- Existing space is configured as a traditional school
- Location has a gym
- New space provides plenty of room for extra classrooms

Disadvantages

- There is no more room to grow!
- Existing classroom sizes are small
- Additional space is across the street
- Additional space is nontraditional in layout

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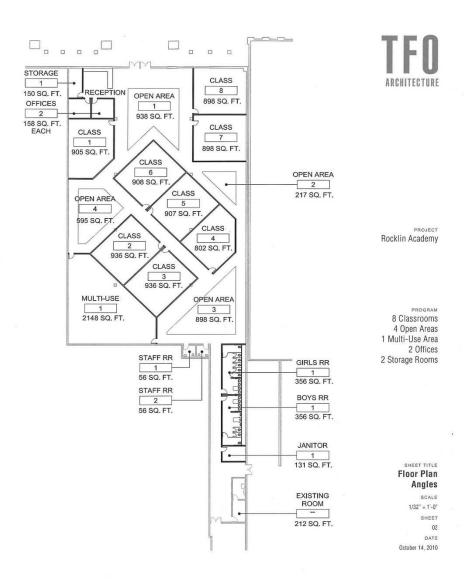
Advantages

- Space for high school students to have own place
- Good parking
- Available for minimum of three years

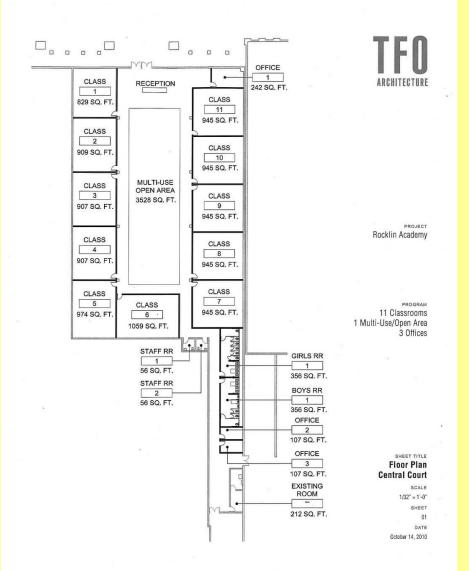
Disadvantages

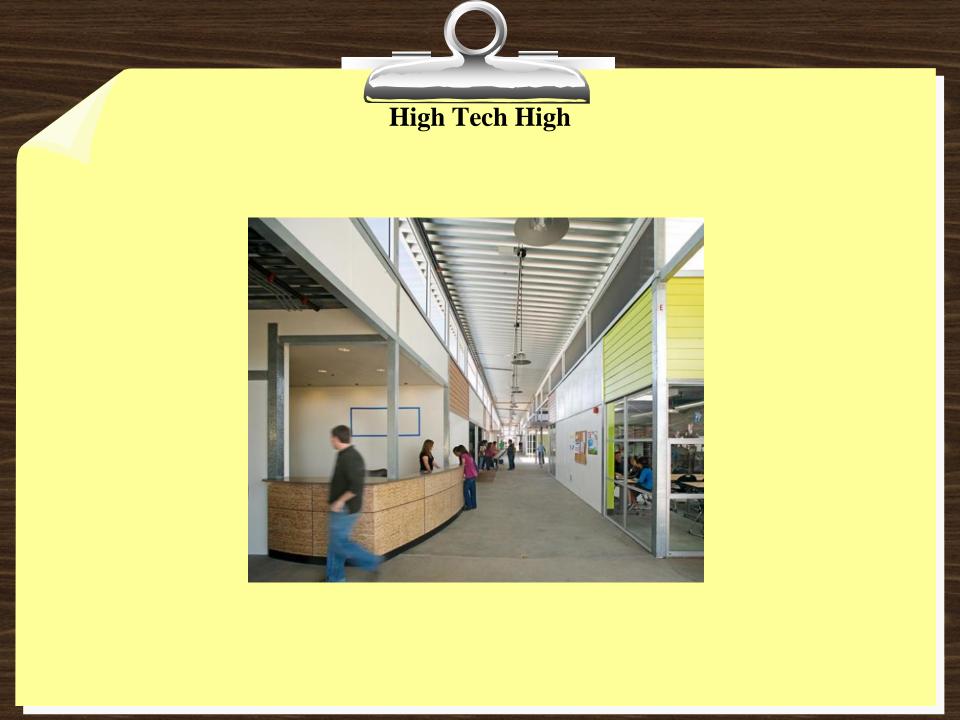
- Expensive TIs (tenant improvements)
- Need to have supervision at two locations
- Some walking between locations

Five Star Location – Layout 1



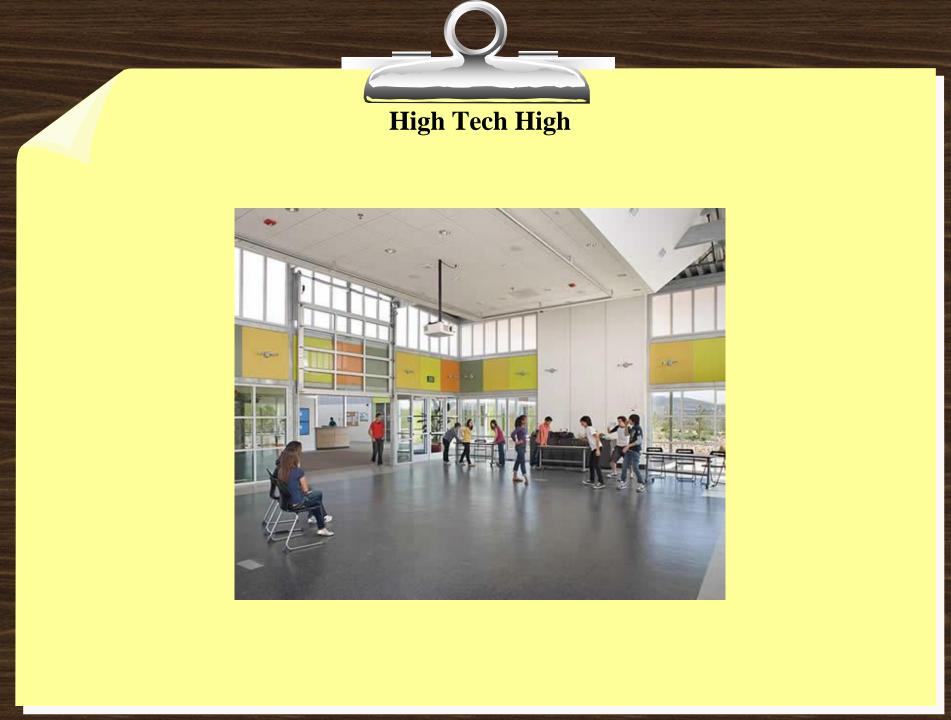
Five Star Location – Layout 2





LOS FELIZ ARTS CHARTER SCHOOL







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Advantages

- Everyone at one location
- Ample space for current students and at full enrollment
- Able to provide separate space within the building for middle and high students

Disadvantages

- Will need to move
- No traditional gym space
- No outside fields

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Advantages

- Space for dance/exercise room
- Long term stability (3-5)
- Large interior courtyard
- Easy access to Highway 65
- Easy access to Margaret Azevedo Park, William Jessup University & Hardwood Plaza

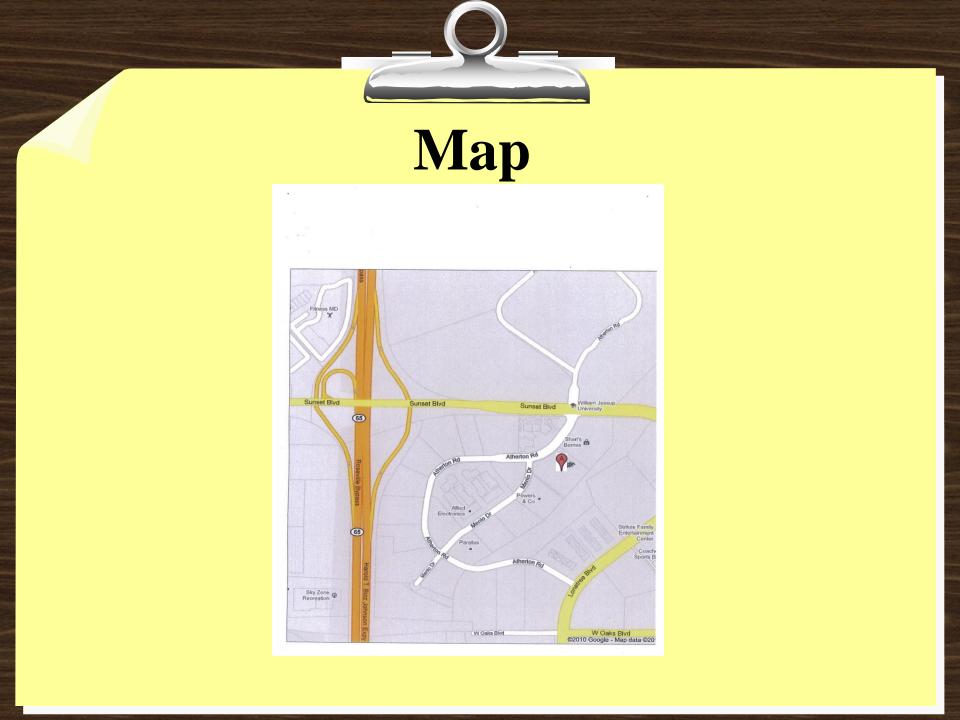
<u>Disadvantages</u>

- Limited parking
- Not a traditional school layout
- TI costs are high

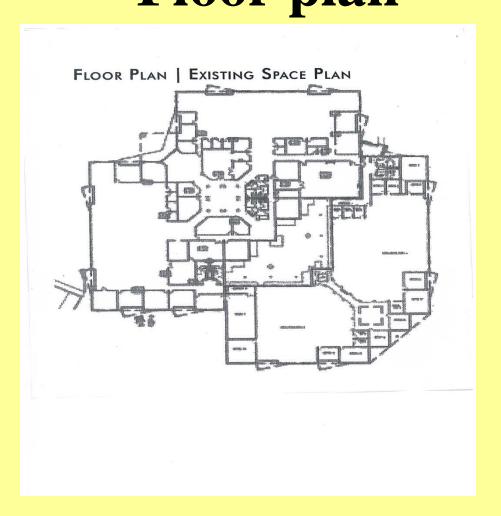
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Opportunities for PE, Sports and Performing Arts

- Space for a wide range of PE activities
 - Martial arts, yoga, fencing, aerobics, weight training, lifelong and health fitness, and outdoor education
- Performing Arts dance, chorale, instrumental
- Several potential options for gym space for sport teams basketball and volleyball; e.g., William Jessup University, Hardwood Palace



Floor plan





Picture of Site



Entrance





Large Area



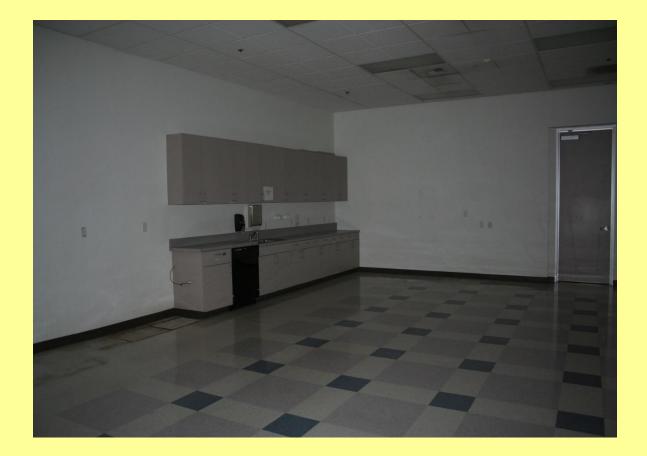
Large Area #2



Possible Classroom



Kitchen Area





View A of Courtyard







Next Steps

- Answer your questions
- Gather input
- Decision needed soon
- City approval process
- Construction
- Need your assistance
- Expand Move!