



**DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES  
BROOKLAND MS MODERNIZATION  
MEETING AGENDA**



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Meeting Location: Turkey Thicket Rec Center  
Date: Tuesday January 22, 2013, 6:30 PM  
Attendees: See Attached Sign In Sheet

1. DCPS Academic Planning Update – Shanita Burney provided an update to the SIT about conversations concerning the academic portion of the new Brookland MS. A few key points that were touched upon include: finalizing the schedule, enrollment projections, core content and elective offerings, and meeting with potential community partners to support instruction and after school programs.
  - Some of the concerns expressed by the SIT to DCPS are:
    - Offering additional languages other than Spanish.
    - Concerns over the school closings and how the remaining schools will prepare students to enter Brookland.
    - Will the surrounding schools be upgraded while Brookland is in the planning and construction process in preparation for the transition?
2. Site “Scheme 1” From Last Meeting – DGS provided a brief re-cap of the site schemes presented at the January 12<sup>th</sup> SIT and explained the pros for focusing on scheme/option 1. DGS also mentioned discussions with DPR of the possible relocation or elimination of two tennis courts.
  - The SIT listed several areas that need to be taken into consideration before finalizing the site plan:



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- Exploring the opportunity for the school to have strong relationship with the rec center. DGS will also analyze existing arrangements between schools and rec centers.
  - The field usage is heavy in the afternoon.
  - Location of student entrance in respect of students arriving/departing the school by metro or other forms of public transportation – Need to speak with WMATA to obtain bus and transportation schedules.
  - Provide a building that will promote an environment of caring and respect for the children by incorporating social areas, windows in the corridor for visibility and places to display student work as a self-esteem builder.
3. World Language Classroom Layout – DCPS presented a preliminary concept of what one of the language lab or any classroom layout that would help encourage collaborative learning. (see attached layout)
  4. Please note that SIT meetings will be held every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month.