

## MAINE SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL



## **Proposed Building Improvements**

Maine South was built 54 years ago. The last major addition was completed in 1998. The building lacks a secure, visible and welcoming front entrance. Renovation and reconfiguration will promote collaborate learning and the use of instructional technology, while improving circulation and security—students currently go outside during passing periods. The proposed plan also provides adequate space for the growing special education, fine arts and athletics programs.

## Plan Highlights:

- Construct a new secure front entrance to prevent visitors from entering the high school before being cleared by personnel.
- Replace outdated plumbing, electrical and mechanical systems to extend the useful life of the existing building, reducing costly emergency repairs and improve energy efficiency.
- Update classrooms and labs to create flexible learning spaces that leverage instructional technology, allow for new teaching methods and promote collaboration.
- Relocate the offices of the counselors, deans, psychologists and other support personnel into one area of building. This will enhance student access to these important services while also maintaining student privacy/confidentiality.
- Right size and relocate the special education spaces to better meet the needs of students in these programs.
- Expand and update undersized fine arts spaces.
- Create flexible learning spaces for students to study individually and in small groups.
- Eliminate the need for students to walk outside to access the A-wing of the school, improving safety and security.
- Consolidate the cardio and weight areas.
- Create a dedicated space for gymnastics equipment to free up space in the fieldhouse.
- Add competition basketball courts to the fieldhouse to address athletic programming needs.
- Add business presentation rooms for Career and Technical Education.
- Provide new performing arts storage to free up space in existing rehearsal rooms for performers.
- Increase pool depth to comply with current codes and regulations, and renovate locker rooms.
- Relocate and expand dining area and renovate food service area to ease congestion, as well as replace 50-year-old equipment.
- Renovate locker rooms.
- Expand and add tutoring space.

## **Proposed Floor Plan**





