

Date:	Fri, 17 Feb 2006 19:12:49 -0500
From:	"Katherine Craven" <Katherine.Craven@state.ma.us>
Subject:	Re: Renovating our high school
To:	"Allan Kinney" <arkinney@verizon.net>

Mr. Kinney, we will help with whatever solution the Authority deems financially and educationally appropriate for the project, once it is accepted. once your district fills out the Statement of Interest form, found on our website, the Authority will assess whether or not the building can be renovated or if you have to build new. We will work with your community, but we will not know whether or not your project will receive funding until after the moratorium is lifted in July, 2007. you are wise to ask these questions. once your project is approved, we will pay our share alongside your construction, making the project easier to finance locally.

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>>> Allan Kinney <arkinney@verizon.net> 02/17/06 7:03 PM >>>
MS. Craven:

We have the Hampden-Wilbraham regional school system, Hampden is in deep financial trouble (no library, senior center, recreation dept, no street lights, minus 2 police, 2 DPW). Our Regional School Committee is pushing for a new high school, We Concerned Citizens of Wilbraham (265 members) want to renovate the building. Maybe the town of Hampden will find renovation easier for them and the building is in need of some major repairs but not tearing down.

Our question is will the Mass school building authority be helping with renovation of school buildings or will they only help with building new?

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