



***WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION***  
**Work Session**

**PRECIS**

**SUBJECT/TOPIC**

DESIGN MODIFICATION FOR RUNNING TRACK AT NEW MIDDLE SCHOOL (M-8)

**DEPARTMENT, BOARD/STAFF LIAISON(S), AND ANY PRESENTERS FROM  
OUTSIDE THE DISTRICT**

Joe Desormeaux

**BACKGROUND**

On April 10, 2013 the Facilities Committee reviewed information to consider the addition of a running track to a new middle school project located in northwest Raleigh, designated M-8, and recommended the item be added to today's Work Session.

The M-8 site was purchased in 2006 to accommodate an elementary school, but based on subsequent revisions to projected capacity needs, the site was repurposed for a middle school program. The Board, at that time, approved the change to a small middle school without a track.

Academic staff wants to make sure the current Board is fully informed of the potential impact on the education program. An alternate site plan was developed by the designer, Ratio Architects, Inc., which would include the track. This would result in increased costs due to the purchase of additional land and additional site development.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

The addition of a track would add \$35,000 to the design fee. The construction cost will increase by an estimated \$1,087,000, plus additional land cost.

**SAVINGS**

Not applicable.

**NEXT STEPS / RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Board's direction is requested.

