

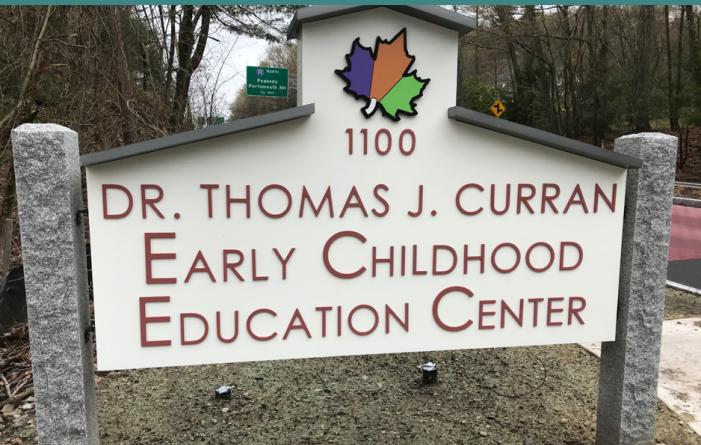
ABOUT THE SBRC

The School Building Rehabilitation Committee oversees and supervises the design, construction, reconstruction, major alteration, renovation, enlargement, major maintenance, demolition, and removal of Dedham Public Schools' buildings, as defined in Town Bylaw, Chapter 12, Article IX.

The School Building Rehabilitation Committee has seven appointed members members and three who, because of their position in the Town's executive branch, serve in ex-officio roles, participating in discussions but not voting. No members have specified lengths of term, as this committee is mainly concerned with projects as-they-arise and represent stakeholders.

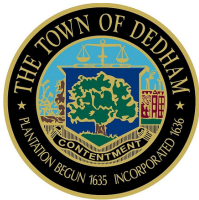
ECEC PROJECT SBRC MEMBERS

NAME	ROLE	APPOINTED BY
David Roberts	Chair	Finance & Warrant Committee
Ron Hathaway	Vice Chair At-large	Town Moderator
Steve Bilafer	Member	School Committee
Mayanne MacDonald Briggs	Member	School Committee
Brendan G. Keogh	Member	Board of Selectmen
Mary Ellen McDonough	At-large Parent	Town Moderator
John Tocci	At-large Parent	Town Moderator
Nancy Baker	Ex-officio	Assistant Town Manager
Michael Welch	Ex-officio	Superintendent of Schools



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PROJECT SUMMARY



Dr. Thomas J. Curran
Early Childhood
Education Center

Completed February 2019

April 2021



FINAL BUDGET

\$29,763,402	Estimated Project Cost
\$19,100,000	Dedham Funding Vote - May 2016
\$563,000	Additional Traffic Mitigation Costs (voted May 2018) *unused
\$10,089,163	State Grant Funding MSBA
\$504,458	Additional 5% grant funding (pending final MSBA audit)
\$28,510,637	Final Total Project Spend
\$17,917,016	Final Total Cost to Dedham
\$1,745,984	<i>Final Amount Under-Budget</i>

PROJECT OVERVIEW

The SBRC is pleased to announce the Dr. Thomas J. Curran Early Childhood Education Center project has been completed successfully, with all certifications achieved and all required submissions completed for the final state audit.

The new ECEC is a 50,988 square foot, state-of-the-art school building, serving 200+ Dedham public school students in Preschool & Kindergarten.

The LEED-Silver building features larger classroom spaces with interactive whiteboards, cafeteria space with a full kitchen, age-appropriate gymnasium play space, as well as:

- A dedicated Discovery Room, combination library, makerspace and art room
- A Motor Room specially designed to support physical therapy activities for students with disabilities
- Direct restroom access from all classrooms
- Outdoor classroom space, as well as a full, age-appropriate playground.

PROJECT TIMING

The new ECEC opened for students in February 2019, on-time and as planned after 16 months of construction, which began in October 2017.

The process began in 2012 when Dedham submitted a formal Statement of Interest to the MSBA indicating a need to replace its exiting Early Childhood Center.

The Dedham ECEC project marked the first time the Massachusetts School Building Authority awarded dedicated funding for a combined pre-kindergarten and kindergarten facility.



FUTURE PLANNING

In April 2021, the MSBA invited Oakdale Elementary into its Eligibility Period, a first step to enter the MSBA Capital Pipeline for the development of a new Elementary school in the coming years.

This would be the next school building project proposed under the January 2003 School Buildings Master Plan which was developed in response to concerns around the District's aging facilities. In March 2020, the SBRC and School Committee accepted the most recent update to the Master Plan, as prepared by SMMA.

Next steps would include SBRC and School Committee consideration into to if they will seek approval from Town Meeting in Fall 2021 to fund a feasibility study of Oakdale and remaining Elementary schools needing improvement.