

Notes from Radnor and Grosvenor Center Community Presentation

Sept. 30, 2026

Q & A:

Q: Will the portables be removed from Grosvenor?

A: Yes, we will have completed the removal of the portables by the time we have tenants. Some are occupying parking spaces.

Q: There are concrete blocks in playground/basketball court. Will they be removed?

A: Yes, they were from portables and are being removed.

Q: Thank you for getting the stairway at Grosvenor taken care of. There are lots of invasive vines in the woods behind the school and the grounds need some attention paid to them. Will follow up offline.

Q: The basketball hoops and playground are chained off and locked. Can it be opened for the community? There are organized softball games and pick-up soccer on fields, so younger children could use that area if it was unlocked.

A: MCPS has checked with our portables team. They are trying to keep the area safe while portables are being removed. It is our intention for the play areas to be open for use afterwards. We will re-evaluate the need for the fence when the portables are removed.

Q: People who live on Dickens have additional traffic when there are schools in the building, so when MCPS evaluates tenants, the number of staff, students, whomever will be using the facility will be a big concern to the community.

A: MCPS agrees and the facility occupancy for staff and visitors will be taken into consideration. Daily parking and loading/unloading including deliveries, etc. need to happen on our property, not on the street.

Q: The leases are planned for 2 yrs, with three one-year options. Federal government leases make the options solely at the discretion of the government. How are your options to be written?

A: MCPS has the option to choose to renew or not renew and this is designed particularly to ensure that the facilities can be occupied by schools when needed. MCPS also has the right to provide ample notice to a tenant and terminate their lease early should the need arise.

Q: Would the access to the fields and playgrounds at Radnor be at the discretion of the tenant or would they remain accessible to the community as they currently are with MCPS?

A: It will depend on if the tenant is a school. If it's not a school, fields will most likely be fully accessible unless some entity put in their proposal that they need the area for certain activities on certain days.

Q: When the charter school was at Radnor the playgrounds were locked off to the community.

A: Lesson learned. MCPS will not let that happen again.

Q: Pedestrian safety should be paramount around Grosvenor, parking on Dickens, racing along Grosvenor, kids darting out onto Grosvenor.

A: MCPS will take safety and potential tenants' parking needs into consideration when evaluating proposals.

Q: Does the location of the holding schools play into the upcoming study? Does the physical location of each school make holding schools count as part of their cluster of schools in the closure study?

A: Radnor and Grosvenor are already closed, so they are not part of the closure study. Community meetings for these regions will most likely focus on currently open schools while Radnor and Grosvenor Centers will factor in as part of MCPS' overall portfolio of facilities.