



Board of Selectmen's Meeting

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Is Plymouth Rock Studios a good thing for the Plymouth Schools?

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Infrastructure Benefit

- Access to the South Campus
 - Current traffic concerns
 - Emergency evacuation from property
 - Long Pond Road congestion
- Sewerage Plant
 - If PRS is our neighbor we can access much needed town sewerage

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Infrastructure Benefit

- Well configuration
 - 2 domestic wells on the property
 - 1 fire protection well
 - 2 irrigation wells
 - Can be taken off line
 - Operational savings
- Increase the buildable footprint of the South campus
 - Future expansion to PSHS

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Future of Education

In order to meet the future needs of our students we need to offer programs that are differentiated that can inspire students to become

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Future of Education

- Metal Fabrication & Joining Technologies – *Set Building & Design, Special Effects*
- Electronics – *Audio & Visual Setups, Production Trouble-shooting, Camera Monitoring*
- Marketing – *PR / Press Kits, Commercial Advertising, Event Planning & Premieres*
- Cosmetology – *Production Makeup and Hair, On-site salon and spa*
- Hotel & Restaurant Management- *Guest relations, Program Management and Human Resources*

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- Electricity – *Grips, Lighting, Safety & Regulations, Special Effects*
- Automotive Technology – *Driving and Servicing of Production Rigs*
- Health Assisting – *EMTs for stunts, First Aid on site / fitness center*
- Culinary Arts – *Commissary, Event & Corporate Catering, Crafts Services*
- Early Education & Care – *Tutoring, campus childcare, summer arts programs*

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Future of Education

- Digital & Sound Production (*soundstage engineer*)
- Fashion Technology (*costumer*)
- Horticulture (*landscaper*)
- HVAC (*studio maintenance & repair*)

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Partnership opportunities

- Rare opportunity for Plymouth to be the model of a school system that not only recognizes and nurtures students' interests and talents but provides the means for future employment
- The potential of on-site as well as off-site classrooms
- Hands-on studio experience and increased accessibility to the arts – everything from electronics to cosmetology to culinary arts
- The fostering of technical and media interest through internships, cooperative education, apprenticeships, & employment opportunities at the studio campus

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Partnership opportunities

- Summer arts programs / Mentoring programs / Lab facilities
- Educational support from the studio for school coordinators and educators – *Teach the Teachers*
- On-site exposure such as *Animator for a Day* (Computer Graphics Program) or *How to Build a Set* (Carpentry Program)
- A studio campus provides the diverse employment of a small town – **Plymouth ROCK Studios** will need landscapers, hotel managers, chefs, teachers, seamstresses - as well as all the film and television production jobs
- Holiday events for community children at the studio – Christmas lighting and Easter Egg Hunt on the backlots, Halloween party in the soundstages

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Future Mission

- Creating an environment that:
 - Teachers want to work for the PPS
 - Students want to come to school
 - Parents believe that the PPS is a great school district-good value
- Continue to identify future trends in education that are going to allow our students to be competitive and develop/implement programs that parallel those trends

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What do our students need in order to be competitive in tomorrow's world?

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High School Initiative

- Smaller Learning Communities
 - Implementation at PNHS and PSHS
 - Recently Awarded \$2.5 million SLC grant

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Wrap Up

My goal for the students of the Plymouth Schools:

**Provide our students the motivation and vision to
identify and realize their dreams!**

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Absolutely!!!!

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