

GUSD Classroom Modernization



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April 4, 2024

GUSD Educational Specifications Plan

1. GUSD Committee (2019)

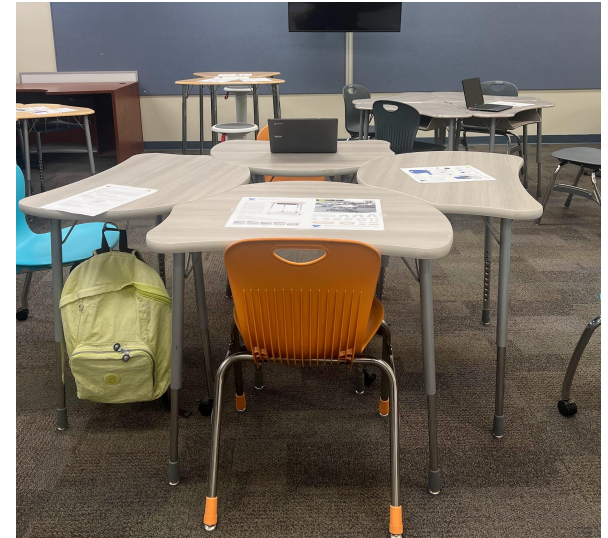
- a. 17 GUSD staff members, parent reps, & Trustees led by consultant firm (Kathleen Moore & Assoc.)
- b. Cross- section of all employees
- c. Visited several schools with “modern designs”
- d. Conducted Staff survey and had 143 responses

2. Purpose

- a. The purpose of the Elementary Educational Specifications is to provide guidance to the design professionals on the educational and programmatic needs of the elementary schools in Goleta Union School District (GUSD).

3. Recommendations

- a. Securing new, moveable and versatile furniture for students and the teachers/staff is one of the top recommendations of the Educational Specifications Committee, a recommendation supported strongly in the staff survey.



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4. Flexible Design

The California Department of Education's Flexible Learning Environments Best Practice document advises that "learner-centered classrooms should be designed to accommodate different teaching and learning formats, including: individual study and reflection; one-on-one instruction; peer-to-peer discussion; small group work; teacher directed instruction; and, student presentation." A flexible classroom is fundamental to a teacher's ability to adapt to various learning styles


5. Furniture

- Moveable, versatile furniture for 25-28 students
- Rugs or carpet for structured academic time
- Teaching cart

Versatile furniture can mean couches, benches, ergonomic chairs, rocking chairs, ball chairs, beanbags, café tables, bistro tables and chairs, adjustable-height tables and armchairs.

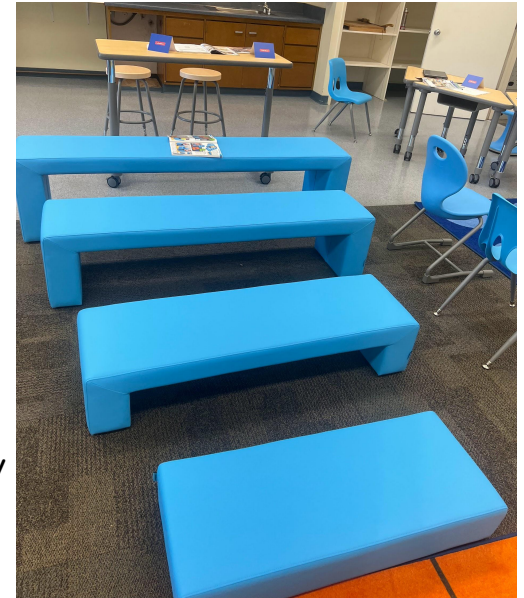


Class Refresh Committee & Timeline

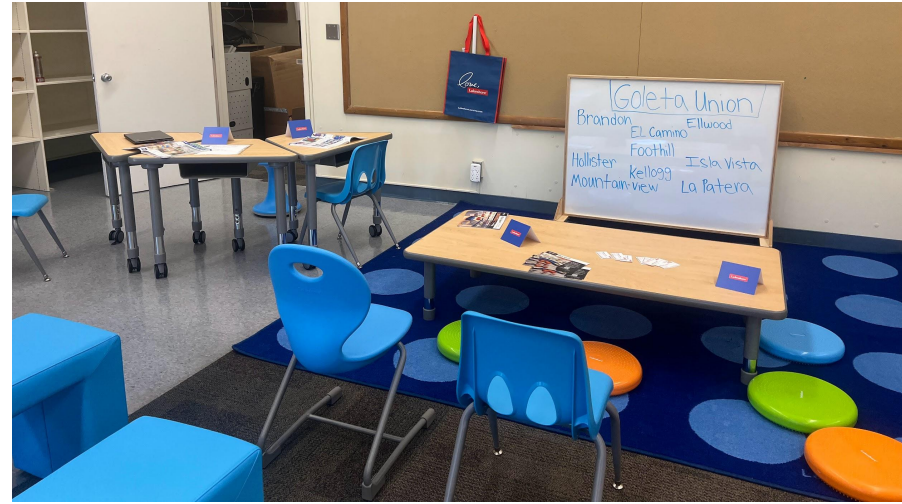
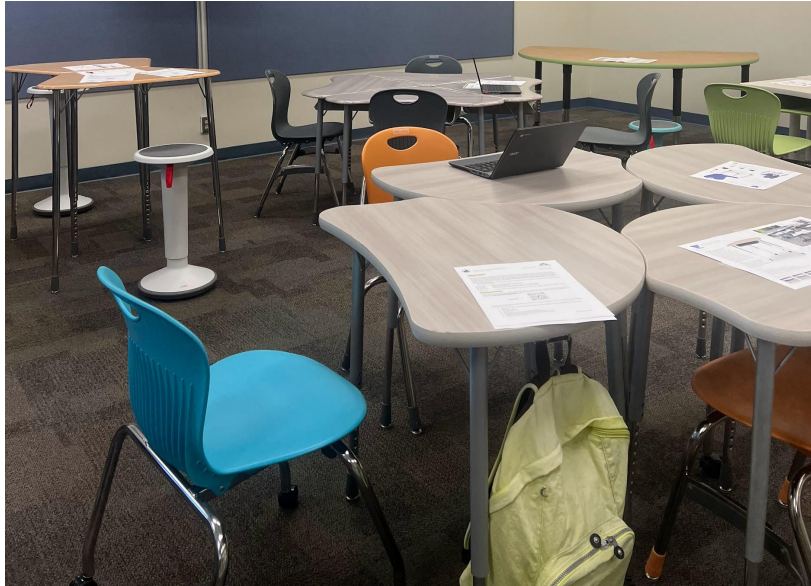
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- January** Committee organization & planning
 - February** Vendor Presentations by Lakeshore Learning, Staples (Educational Solutions), Virco Inc.
 - February** Vendors submit a demo quote for 1 similar 3rd grade classroom
 - February** Committee visits Vendor showrooms in Carson & Torrance (Lakeshore & Virco)
 - March** Demo classes set-up at the District Ofc by Lakeshore & Virco for staff input
 - April 15** Window for staff input closes
 - Late April** Vendor selection & ordering for Ellwood, Foothill, Kellogg
 - July '24** Furniture installation for 3 initial schools
 - July '25** Furniture installation for 6 remaining schools

Vendor Selection Criteria

- ✓ Furniture meeting or exceeding recommendations from the GUSD Ed Tech Specifications Plan (info below)
- ✓ Staff input
- ✓ Furniture quality
- ✓ Furniture warranties
- ✓ Overall cost
- ✓ Price agreements for a 2 yr installation process
- ✓ Installation Service provided by the selected company
- ✓ Furniture Removal Service provided by the selected company
- ✓ Overall Service and Support



A few photos...



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