Berkshire Community Meeting Questions

2/28/19 Parent Questions/Concerns

1. I am very concerned about the parking lot and limited parking spaces, can this be reevaluated? This is a small and condensed site. Parking was designed based on available acreage once building is designed.

2. Will the building be handicapped accessible? Yes, the building has to be handicapped accessible by code.

3. Will there be elevators? Yes, there is one elevator located near the main entrance.

4. When is the groundbreaking event going to be held? Date and Time to be determined.

5. Is there sidewalk crossing by the parking lot and not just by the bus parking? Crossing walk is provided crossing the bus loop driveway. However, walkers will be directed to walk the sidewalk to the east of the school (along the ball fields) and cross at the crosswalk that is directly in front of the Recreation and Parks entrance. By using this crosswalk, walkers are not crossing the bus loop traffic and are safely traveling to the main school entrance. There is no cross walk for walkers at the Parent/Teacher parking lot because there is no sidewalk on the other side of the driveway.

6. How many vehicle parking spots will there be for parents and staff? There needs to be more for parents. Parking is calculated based on the acreage of the property.

Verbal Questions: (During or after the meeting)

1. Can the community park have the old playground equipment at another Rec and Parks site? No. Moved playground equipment must be re-assembled and re-certified for use.

2. Will Colgate’s Pre-K remain at Berkshire? Refer question to Early Childhood Office. This is not the decision of the school principal nor construction.

3. Will there be a crossing guard at the crosswalk in front of the school? Refer question to the Baltimore County Police Department.

4. Will the road be repaved in front of the school? Refer question to Baltimore County – Roads Department.

5. What are the safety measure or features of the new school? The safety and security features being provided are: Secured double main entrance vestibule; Security cameras located throughout the school; card readers school personnel; building lighting interior and exterior; separate bus traffic from vehicular traffic; and safe and convenient access for student walkers.