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Dear Sehome High School Neighbors,

We are so excited to share with you that we have started a visioning process as we look to build a new Sehome High School on its current campus in your neighborhood in the next few years.

Thanks to voters who approved a bond to fund school facilities projects in November 2013, Sehome's students and our community will benefit from an outstanding place to discover and develop a passion for learning as part of The Bellingham Promise, our strategic plan.

Our first step is to engage our students, staff, parents and community members in a process to brainstorm hopes and dreams for a new Sehome. There are many ways to share your thoughts:

- Attend a parent/community visioning meeting from **6-7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 4 or 6-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 5**. Both opportunities will be held in Sehome's cafeteria, 2700 Bill McDonald Parkway.
- Submit your hopes and dreams for the future Sehome online at **sehome.bellinghamschools.org by Nov. 9**.
- Apply for consideration to serve on the **Sehome High School Design Advisory Committee**. Watch for a call for applications posted soon at bellinghamschools.org. The deadline to apply is 5 p.m. Monday, Nov. 9.

It's important to us that you feel well informed about your Bellingham Public Schools; therefore, we want to provide regular updates to you about this project. Since this planning work is just about to begin, we don't have many details yet. However, once the committee is formed, you can follow their work online where meeting minutes and other information, including additional opportunities for input, is posted. I anticipate receiving a recommendation from this committee this spring with the new Sehome to be completed by fall 2019.

We appreciate your support of our schools and strive to be good communicators and neighbors.

Thank you,

Greg Baker,
Superintendent of Bellingham Public Schools