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<p><b>What questions or concerns do you have regarding the new addition? Please list them in the text box and we will do our best to answer your questions.</b></p>	<p><b>District Responses</b></p>
<p>Will the public and students be close to each other? I am concerned about child safety</p>	<p>Safety continues to be the top priority for our students, faculty and staff. The district has made this our top reminder with everything we have done in preparation of The Bridge and will continue to reach out to school safety state representatives, faculty, parents, and community members as we continue to plan forward. Our team has been and will continue to work with state and local entities regarding safety plans and student safety. The plan includes separate entry points for the public and students with separate designated areas. Entrance to student areas are controlled by a fob system that is accessible to school staff only.</p>
<p>I'm excited!</p>	<p>We are overjoyed and excited as well! Thank you!</p>
<p>Oh, my goodness! I am so excited for our students and community. Exciting times for anyone who was, is or wants to become a Bulldog.</p>	<p>We couldn't agree more. The Bridge will put our district on the map of what a school district can do for its students, faculty, and community members! Just another way of Bridgeport is shining its light on the Ohio Valley.</p>
<p>What does the final design look like? When will construction begin / complete?</p>	<p>We are in the process of finalizing the design. Construction and the groundbreaking are set to begin on May 28, 2025, when students are on their summer break. Our targeted completion is fall 2026. Construction will be occurring during the 2025-26 SY.</p>
<p>What's going to happen to the basketball court and the playground?</p>	<p>There will be a playground area added to the space in the current elementary playground. The district also intends to put a playground and basketball court behind the Board of Education office as well. Spacing out the playgrounds will increase the amount of space our students have to</p>

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	play without overcrowding the areas we currently have. We plan to have the playground and basketball court completed by the end of June 2025.
How will it affect the students in terms of business times and routes. And how will it benefit the students?	This is a good question and one that the district and our partners will plan together on to ensure we use the facility and parking to our strengths. This should not alter our bus times or bus routes for our students.
I have no questions or concerns. I can't wait to see the new addition to Bridgeport Schools.	Thank you. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity and we intend to make the most of it.
Ensuring separation between students and the community at large in such a combined space is crucial	Yes, and absolutely. Safety continues to be the top priority for our students, faculty, and staff. The district has made this our top reminder with everything we have done in preparation of The Bridge and will continue to reach out to school safety state representatives, faculty, parents and community members as we continue to plan forward.
Mostly concerned about outside people having access to the school	Much like we currently have in place, there will be fob/security protocols. In addition, there are separate entrances for the various spaces at The Bridge.
Truly, my concern is that all of our students from K-12 are protected from people coming into the school for counseling especially if they come into the building after school hours when our boys and girls are having sports practice. There should be a separate entrance/exit for those coming in for counseling with NO availability to the rest of the school building. Our kids' lives are of utmost importance...TOP priority!! Take care of it at the onset of building the addition.	Yes, and absolutely. Safety continues to be the top priority for our students, faculty, and staff. The district has made this our top reminder with everything we have done in preparation of The Bridge and will continue to reach out to school safety state representatives, faculty, parents, and community members as we continue to plan forward. The plan includes separate entry points for the public and students with separate designated areas. Entrance to student areas are controlled by a fob system that is accessible to school staff only.
none. this is exciting!!!!	Thank you very much. We agree.
Where will the playground and basketball court be moved to? I've heard it's being moved closer to Route 40; if this is true, I think it would've been safer to build this facility closer to rt. 40	There will be a playground area added to the space in the current elementary playground. The district also intends to put a playground and basketball court behind the Board of Education office as well. Spacing out

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	the playgrounds will increase the amount of space our students have to play without overcrowding the areas we currently have. It is our goal to have the playground and basketball court completed by the end of June 2025.
That the new project is to benefit the students and add to their education.	That is the intent as we plan to add new opportunities and programs for students.
None..outstanding achievement for our community	Thank you, we believe so too. This was and will continue to be a “team accomplishment”!
Where's it being built? And are the services above, what will be offered?	The addition is being built next to our current elementary wing. The parameters of the grant include education, workforce and healthcare, so these are the three pillars of service to both students and community.
How can I find out what the new additional services are?	Please attend our meeting on January 9 <sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. in the school cafetorium.
Why is there not an auditorium for all to have so they don't always have to take tables down and up and would have enough seating for all instead of limiting in cafeteria	Even though we’d love to have an auditorium, it was not identified as an allowable expense within this grant.
How does this impact our students during construction and once built, will our students be utilizing the building along with the public? What happens to the playground, basketball court and softball field. Will they exist after construction? Be available during construction?	There will be a playground area added to the space in the current elementary playground. The district also intends to put a playground and basketball court behind the Board of Education office as well. Spacing out the playgrounds will increase the amount of space our students have to play without overcrowding the areas we currently have. It is our plan to have the playground and basketball court completed by the end of June 2025. Anytime there is construction, it is good to plan for disruptions, but there will be efforts to try to minimize as much as possible.
Where is the Home economics class?? We don't need anymore exercise equip we need to teach these our DOGS how to sew and cook and do some finances and budgeting.....real world stuff!!!	Thank you for your suggestion. There will be a cooking (kitchen) area available to small group instruction within class content. We are planning

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	<p>to turn this into an entrepreneurial opportunity for our students. Our high school students currently take a financial literacy class.</p>
<p>How will you keep the public away from our kids while the buildings are connected?          How will lockdowns work when the "bad people" are invited inside and welcomed?          How will parking work since the school has limited parking for current facilities?          Why would you waste 13.8 million on this idea when the kids don't even have the basic sporting or art facilities that all other schools have?</p>	<p>Safety continues to be the top priority for our students, faculty and staff. The district has made this our top reminder with everything we have done in preparation of The Bridge and will continue to reach out to school safety state representatives, faculty, parents and community members as we continue to plan forward. The plan includes separate entry points for the public and students with separate designated areas. Entrance to student areas are controlled by a fob system that is accessible to school staff only.</p> <p>Our school district sees the potential in all people. We hope to assist in changing lives for the better with anyone coming to The Bridge for help and assistance.</p> <p>The district is currently working with our local entities regarding parking. We see the need now and are anticipating an increase for parking and are taking the necessary steps to make sure everyone has enough spaces. We see The Bridge as a beacon of hope, value, and family by expanding our facility to have spaces and uses that will create more opportunity for our students and community. We continue to be focused on our district's vision of Tradition, Community, The Future and Our Responsibility.</p>
<p>We are VERY EXCITED for the new programs and opportunities the new addition will be bringing to our students, staff, and community. My only question/suggestion is in regard to the limited ages the day care will be able to service. I understand there are so many state regulations on childcare centers, but it would be nice if we could incorporate the space and staffing for ages 3-5. I know one of our district's goals is to get kids</p>	<p>This is an excellent suggestion and one that we plan to share with the Daycare Provider, our administration team, and our Preschool Teachers. Thank you for your forward thinking.</p>

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<p>started in Bridgeport Schools and offer enough opportunities to keep them in Bridgeport Schools. If a working family needs preschool all day (and so many families do these days) then sadly we can't service them. So, with The Bridge, a family looking for all day daycare could potentially start their toddler at the day care The Experience Church will be running, but then they will have to send them elsewhere for preschool if they still need that all day schedule. It would be nice to offer half day daycare for our preschool aged students to keep them in Bridgeport. Just my opinion, I know there are a lot of hurdles with that and it may not be something The Experience Church wants to take on, but I do think it would be beneficial for our community. Thank you for reading and taking into consideration my thoughts. And thank you for all your work and dedication on this project.</p>	
<p>Need to learn about credit and to cook</p>	<p>Thank you for your suggestion. There will be a cooking (kitchen) area available to small group instruction within class content.</p>
<p>Parking, safety of the school children, playground size. Traffic flow into the area, with pick up and drop off of the children and all the other facilities in new building</p>	<p>Safety continues to be the top priority for our students, faculty and staff. The district has made this our top reminder with everything we have done in preparation of The Bridge and will continue to reach out to school safety state representatives, faculty, parents and community members as we continue to plan forward.</p>
<p>Security.</p>	<p>Please find our many answers regarding "security" throughout.</p>
<p>none at this time</p>	
<p>I really would like to see the students have a garden. I think it is essential to teach disadvantaged people how to garden.</p>	<p>Thank you. The district is currently pursuing other grant applications and will strongly consider this as an option in applicable grants.</p>

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I am concerned with the safety aspect of bringing people on school campus around our children. How will you keep the children safe and away from people, that are not employees or current students, taking advantage of this new addition? I personally do not want my child interacting or around additional people that are not currently involved with her supervision/care during school hours.

It seems the funding would be better used to boost current and future student's success with academics.

Where is this addition going? It seems the only room would be the playground. This is sad to take away room for the children to play.

Parking is already an issue with school functions. How do you plan to accommodate more traffic?

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As we prepare our students for the future job market and future careers, we feel that this addition and the added educational opportunities it will provide will be a boost to our students' academic success.

We continue to work with local entities regarding added parking during construction.

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<p>It would be nice if there was a web page to follow along with the progress and services being offered.</p>	<p>Thank you. The district has teamed up with Beaver Construction, who will offer a social media platform to highlight our construction and progress. We will also have a link on our district website.</p>
<p>Just looking to see how open the new addition will be to the public and what safety measures will be taken so that they don't have access to come and go as they want with the students.</p>	<p>Safety continues to be the top priority for our students, faculty and staff. The district has made this our top reminder with everything we have done in preparation of The Bridge and will continue to reach out to school safety state representatives, faculty, parents and community members as we continue to plan forward. The plan includes separate entry points for the public and students with separate designated areas. Entrance to student areas are controlled by a fob system that is accessible to school staff only.</p>
<p>The medical and dental services I feel should be limited to students within the district and not open to adults. While I understand the need for adults. We have to remember here we are at a school, and I feel that could potentially be an issue with people constantly coming in for services with the students and their safety.</p>	<p>Thank you for sharing your thoughts. The district wrote a grant which was approved by the OFCC and state. We must now follow that plan to ensure we fully comply and institute what we said we would. Please know that we are taking and considering suggestions from all on safety and security. The entrance for any community member remains separate from the student entrance. Should a student need to access the health care facility, they will be escorted by a staff member and/or his/her parent.</p>
<p>Stay within the educational framework this isn't supposed to be a meeting place for civic organizations or medical facilities.</p>	<p>The district followed the grant application guidelines from the OFCC. The grant submitted and approved gives us the approval to move forward from the states. In short, we did and will be following the guidelines set forth by the OFCC and state.</p>
<p>What means will be introduced for the ongoing long-term maintenance, upkeep, and expansion as utilization increases and dictates new developments and alternative community needs not currently recognized?</p>	<p>For our partners that are included in The Bridge, lease agreements will be utilized to assist with the operational costs.</p>
<p>It is a fabulous opportunity for citizens in entire area</p>	<p>We couldn't agree more and thank you!</p>

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<p>This is a great opportunity for the school and the community!!! Keep up the great job, as the future looks bright for the students and community of Bridgeport!</p>	<p>Our team and the district are overjoyed and excited for what we will be able to do for everyone!</p>
<p>Congratulations on the grant! Please use it to prepare our students for life after high school. College prep, military, workforce...end goal: every student is a productive member of society.</p>	<p>Thank you and we agree. We feel that this will expand opportunities for our students for life after high school with a pathway to a career and/or more prepared to enter a college/university.</p>
<p>Where will the add on go?</p>	<p>The addition is being built next to our current elementary wing.</p>
<p>Will additional parking be added?</p>	<p>The district is currently working with our local entities regarding parking. We see the need now and are anticipating an increase for parking and are taking the necessary steps to make sure everyone has enough spaces.</p>
<p>No concerns or questions</p>	
<p>1. Will there be a playground still available for our youth ? My littles love love the fresh air, playground time and recess but it seems this area will be gone .          2. I understand there are funds currently available to build this addition BUT I want to know how the utilities and expenses are taken care of otherwise?          3.Do the businesses or companies within this addition have to pay for their spaces?</p>	<p>There will be a playground area added to the space in the current elementary playground. The district also intends to put a playground and basketball court behind the Board of Education office as well. Spacing out the playgrounds will increase the amount of space our students have to play without overcrowding the areas we currently have. We plan to have the playground and basketball court completed by the end of June 2025. For our partners that are included in The Bridge, lease agreements will be utilized to assist with the operational costs.</p>
<p>As a senior citizen with limited access to activities in our community, I am excited for any activities that would be available to senior citizens. I heard a walking track for us would be included in your project and I am happy to hear us seniors haven't been forgotten about also access to a doctor's office would be convenient.</p>	<p>We are excited as well. This grant and expansion has the ability to do so much good for our students, staff, community members and district!</p>
<p>Parking - Security</p>	<p>Safety continues to be the top priority for our students, faculty and staff. The district has made this our top reminder with everything we have done in preparation of The Bridge and will continue to reach out to school safety</p>



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	state representatives, faculty, parents and community members as we continue to plan forward.
<p>Is it true that facilities are available for use by neighboring communities?</p>	<p>Yes. Neighboring communities may use the services. This includes our grant partners (medical, dental, daycare, gym, walking track, golf simulator, rental of the facility for large group spaces, evening workforce credentialing).</p> <p>Any student may choose to enroll in the Bridgeport School District to take advantage of our wonderful educational offerings as well as the many additions of college coursework and workforce credentialing programs during the school day.</p>
<p>It seems like a lot of this has nothing to do with providing a quality secondary education.</p> <p>The community is best served by providing quality education, not the typical government grab-bag of social services.</p>	<p>The grant approved had a strong emphasis on educational offerings for students as well as workforce credentialing programs for students.</p>
<p>Will there be a fee to the community to use this facility?</p>	<p>For services, yes, there will be a fee. These fees have not yet been determined. Once we have that information, it will be shared with all.</p>
<p>1. Considering the parking is a hot mess during school hours for pickup etc .... Where is this over flow of parking going to take place ?? With everything you're speaking of just for employees there is an easy 50 plus spaces needed then think of the customer base . This is not making much sense . Please please explain better . I highly recommend to buy and tear down the junk stores and have keeping there for this customer base and heck throw a trolley in for transportation.</p> <p>2. Out of curiosity, if these rooms are " vacated " who pays for the electric</p>	<p>The district is currently working with our local entities regarding parking. We see the need now and are anticipating an increase for parking and are taking the necessary steps to make sure everyone has enough spaces.</p> <p>If spaces are vacated as asked, the district will pursue other partnerships for The Bridge.</p>

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<p>and utilities ?? I understand the grant only pays to build the building so wondering minds are curious .`</p>	
<p>Would like to know the ideas regarding use of this grant and whom these ideas were originated. I knew nothing regarding any of these services. Where will this addition be built? Were multiple ideas brought forth? Who does this benefit? What is the short/long term goal of this edition? Who is going to champion this project? After the project is complete, what is the sustainability of this project, as to cost, accessibility and resources?</p>	<p>Thank you for your questions. The parameters of the grant include education, workforce and healthcare, so these are the three pillars of service to both students and community. The district sent out the news on our grant application through our district app, local newspaper and news stations. We will continue to share the press releases on the grant for everyone's convenience and reading. The district has teamed up with Beaver Construction, who will offer a social media platform to highlight our construction and progress. We will also have a link on our district website.</p>