



Thomas Jefferson HS site updates

proposed site plan



Dear Neighbors,

Over the last several months representatives from the Museum District, Malvern Gardens, Sauer's Gardens & Jefferson Terrace Civic Associations; as well as Richmond Little League, City Councilman Baliles, and School Board Representative Sturtevant, and Thomas Jefferson High School (TJHS) have worked with a small group of local design professionals to generate a plan for the future development of the site and site amenities at TJHS with the goal of increasing community engagement of the site.

Proposed changes to Thomas Jefferson High School Site:

1. Relocate the track to the South of the school and into a new format – either as a 120-Meter sprint track or 200-Meter short track.
2. Provide for future resurfacing and expansion of the existing tennis court facilities.
3. Provide Virginia High School League (VHSL)-regulation baseball field in a reconfigured location.
4. Provide overlapping VHSL-regulation football, soccer, and lacrosse fields.
5. Introduce new field house / grandstand facility adjacent to school and football field to house:
 - Ticketing
 - Concessions
 - Restrooms
 - Press Box
 - Storage
 - Future Locker Rooms
6. Remove parking to the North of school to provide for expanded athletic fields
7. Mark Malvern Avenue for on-street staff parking.
8. Add parking along Fitzhugh Avenue to replace parking lost north of the school, in order to provide adequate space to shift the football field and allow for the expanded baseball field.
9. Add a new staff parking area and landscape buffer to the western side of the building (Antrim Avenue).
10. Add lighting for football and baseball fields.
11. Add irrigation for the fields.
12. Public use of the football and baseball fields will be restricted and will be enclosed by a new security fence.

Anticipated modifications in usage of the site:

1. TJHS Varsity and JV Football would host 11 home night games per season from approximately 7:00-10:00 pm.
2. TJHS Boys Soccer would host 10 home night games per season. If/when Girls Soccer is added, there is potential for an additional 10 home games, from approximately 6:00-8:00 pm.
3. TJHS Baseball would host 10 home night games per season, from approximately 6:00-8:30 pm.
4. Richmond Little League – Junior League Baseball (13 to 15-year-olds) would host:
 - Practices at the baseball facility twice a week during the season.
 - Games at the baseball facility twice a week during the season.

A detailed site plan outlining all of the proposed updates can be found on the following page.

The hope is that the proposed changes will help to provide improved facilities for the student body, help increase local engagement of and attendance to the school, and increase engagement of the site by the surrounding community. As immediate neighbors of TJHS, your input and feedback is important to us. Please join us for an open public forum at Thomas Jefferson High School to discuss the proposed updates on **Wednesday, June 19 at 5:30 pm.**

Thank you for your time. We look forward to improving our community together!

TJHS Site Plan Stakeholder Committee

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Relocate the track in a new format - either a sprint track or a 200-meter short track

Add new staff parking area and landscape buffer along Antrim Avenue

Introduce a new field house / grandstand facility for ticketing, concessions, restrooms, press box, storage, and future locker rooms

Provide overlapping VHSL regulation football, soccer, and lacrosse fields

Provide for resurfacing and future expansion of the existing tennis courts

New parking along Fitzhugh Ave.

Provide a VHSL regulation baseball field in a reconfigured location

Add lighting and irrigation for the football and baseball fields

Remove parking to the North side of the school and mark Malvern Avenue for on-street staff parking