

# **High School Start Time Working Group Update**

**Newton Public Schools School Committee  
October 26, 2016**

# Review of Scope and Goals

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- ▶ Define what are the necessary changes to make a later high school start time happen in Newton
  - ▶ Gain a full understanding of the action steps, resources and changes that are necessary in the short- and long-term
- ▶ **Working Group focus through December**



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- ▶ Formulate action steps, resources and changes into a detailed **road map** which will include:
  - ▶ cost information
  - ▶ other necessary resources
  - ▶ political, policy, legal implications
- ▶ **Working Group focus January - June**



# Proposed Timeline

<b>September 2015</b>	<b>Working Group Convenes</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Refine scope of work and charge</li><li>● Establish meeting schedule</li></ul> <b>School Committee Meeting September 16, 2015</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Introduction</li></ul>
<b>October 2015</b>	<b>Working Group</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Develop communication plan &amp; website</li><li>● Data collection</li><li>● Documentation of Existing Conditions</li><li>● Stakeholder outreach and interviews</li><li>● Begin survey development (Students, Staff)</li></ul> <b>School Committee Meeting October 26, 2015</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Review charge; proposed timeline; Update</li></ul>



**November  
2015**

**Working Group**

- **Continue to establish communication**
  - **Develop format for public forums/events**
- **Website live**
- **Initial communication to community**
- **Continue survey development (students, staff)**
  - **Testing by stakeholder groups**
  - **Prepare for release in December**
- **Survey development (parent/guardian)**
- **Continue data collection and outreach**

**December  
2015**

**Working Group**

- **Student survey and data analysis**
- **Survey development (Parent/guardians)**
  - **Testing by stakeholder groups**
  - **Prepare for release in January/February**
- **Continue data collection and outreach**
- **Begin development of road map**

**School Committee Meeting December 14, 2015**

- **Progress update**

**January  
2016**

**Working Group**

- **Parent Survey**
- **FAQ release**
- **Continue data collection and outreach**
- **Continue to develop road map**

**School Committee Meeting January 11, 2016**

- **Update; Preview of developing road map**

**Public Event (late January)**

- **Preview of developing road map**
- **Receive input**

**February  
2016**

**Working Group**

- **Continue to develop road map**
  - **Begin alternate scenario development**
- **Continue data collection and outreach**

**School Committee Meeting February 25, 2016**

- **Public comment**
- **Update**

<b>March 2016</b>	<b>Working Group</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Continue to develop road map<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Continue alternate scenario development</li></ul></li><li>● Continue data collection and outreach</li></ul> <b>Public Event</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Review developing road map</li><li>● Receive feedback and input</li></ul>
<b>April 2016</b>	<b>Working Group</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Continue to develop road map<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Continue to refine scenarios</li></ul></li><li>● Continue data collection and outreach</li><li>● Continue to review feedback</li></ul> <b>School Committee Meeting April 11, 2016</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Public Comment</li><li>● Update - preliminary road map options</li></ul>



<b>May 2016</b>	<b>Working Group</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>Continue to review and refine road map options</b></li><li>● <b>Continue to review feedback</b></li></ul>
<b>June 2016</b>	<b>School Committee meeting June 6, 2016</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>Presentation and final report on road map options</b></li><li>● <b>Discussion</b></li></ul> <b>School Committee meeting June 20, 2016</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>Public comment</b></li><li>● <b>Continue discussion and deliberations on further steps</b></li></ul>

