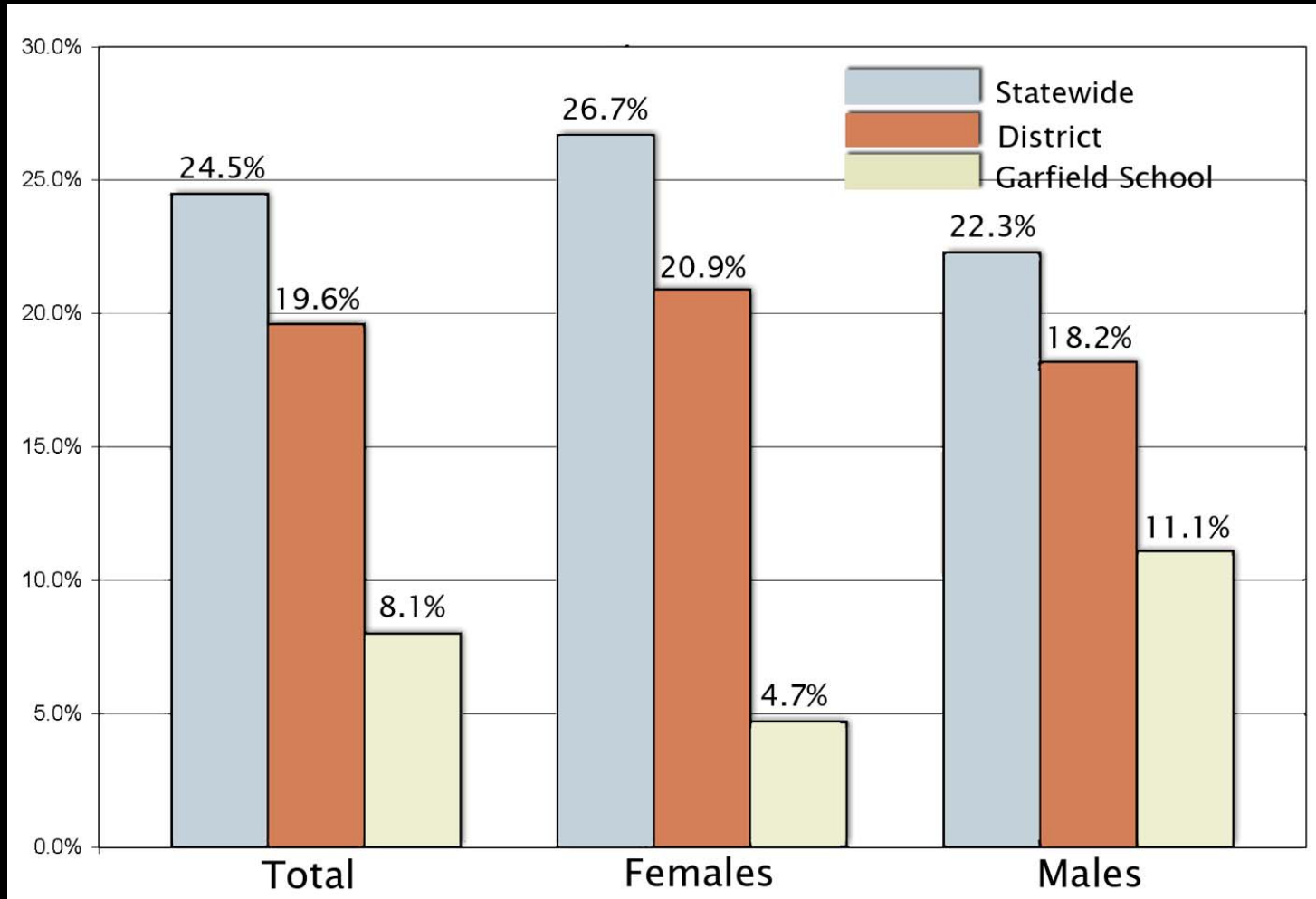


Oakland Schoolyard Initiative



Why Schoolyards?



State Physical Fitness Scores for Garfield Elementary, 2004-5

Why Schoolyards?



Outdoor exercise improves concentration in the classroom.

Why Schoolyards?



Exposure to nature and natural features decreases stress and improves concentration.

Why Schoolyards?



Community building

Pilot Projects

Garfield Elementary



Urban Promise Academy



Manzanita Community School

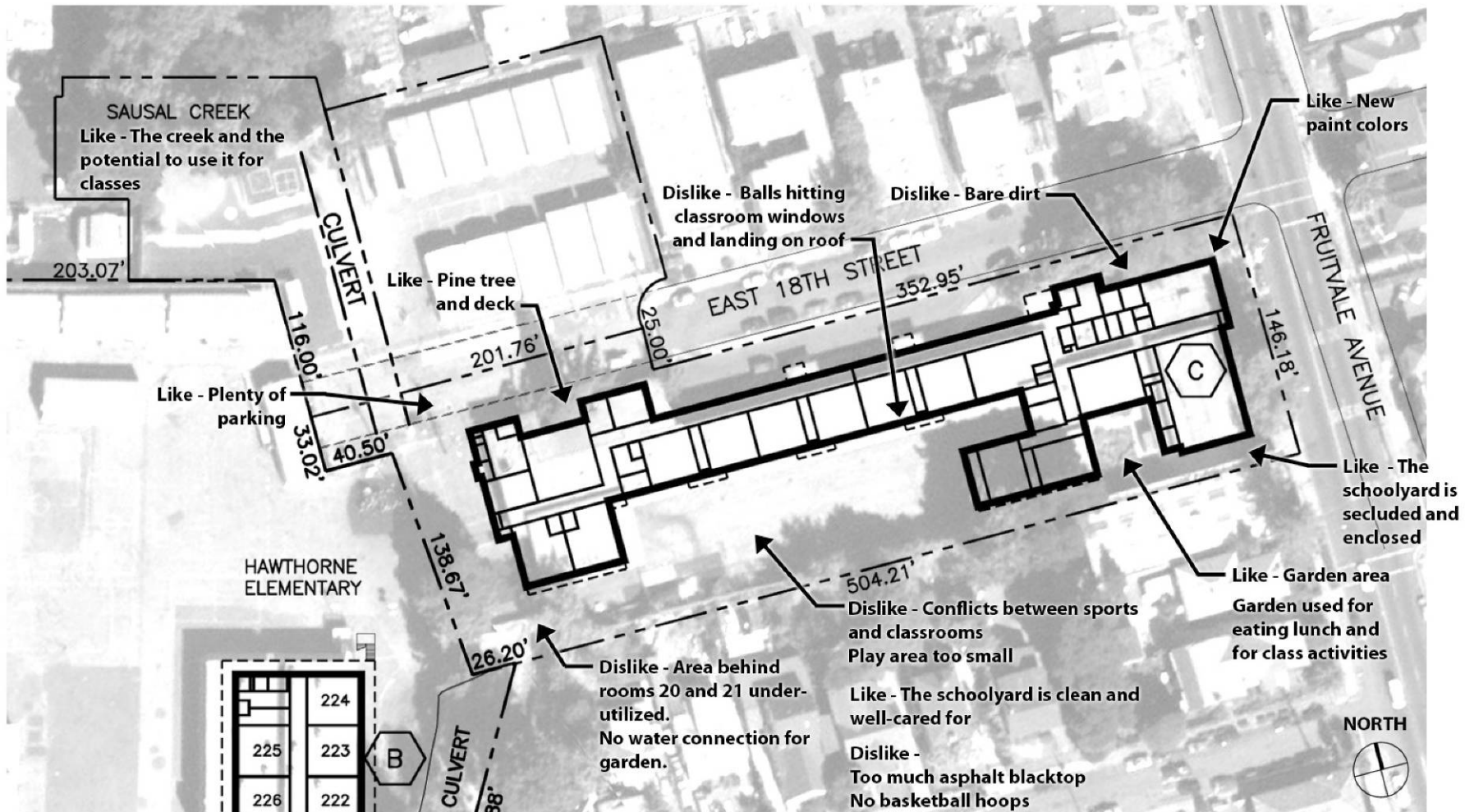
Manzanita SEED



Roosevelt Middle School

The Schoolyard Design Process





URBAN PROMISE ACADEMY
Campus Improvement Plan
Summary of Staff Comments

URBAN ECOLOGY


 January 2007

Staff



Students

I like this place because we could play dodge ball and it is fun. We get a ball and throw it at people then they get hurt.

cool! 

By: Jerry and Eric



Calvin

Dislike

Cracks!! →



Look at these!

People can trip on the cracks and there's a rumor that you step on a crack, you break your mom's back.

Crazy Birdman



AKA Larry



Seeing a place through their eyes



Analytical and problem solving skills



Exposure to new professions



Leadership experience



Parents



Parents

Implementation





Small grants and corporate volunteer days



OUSD support



Community Volunteer Days



Outside Funding

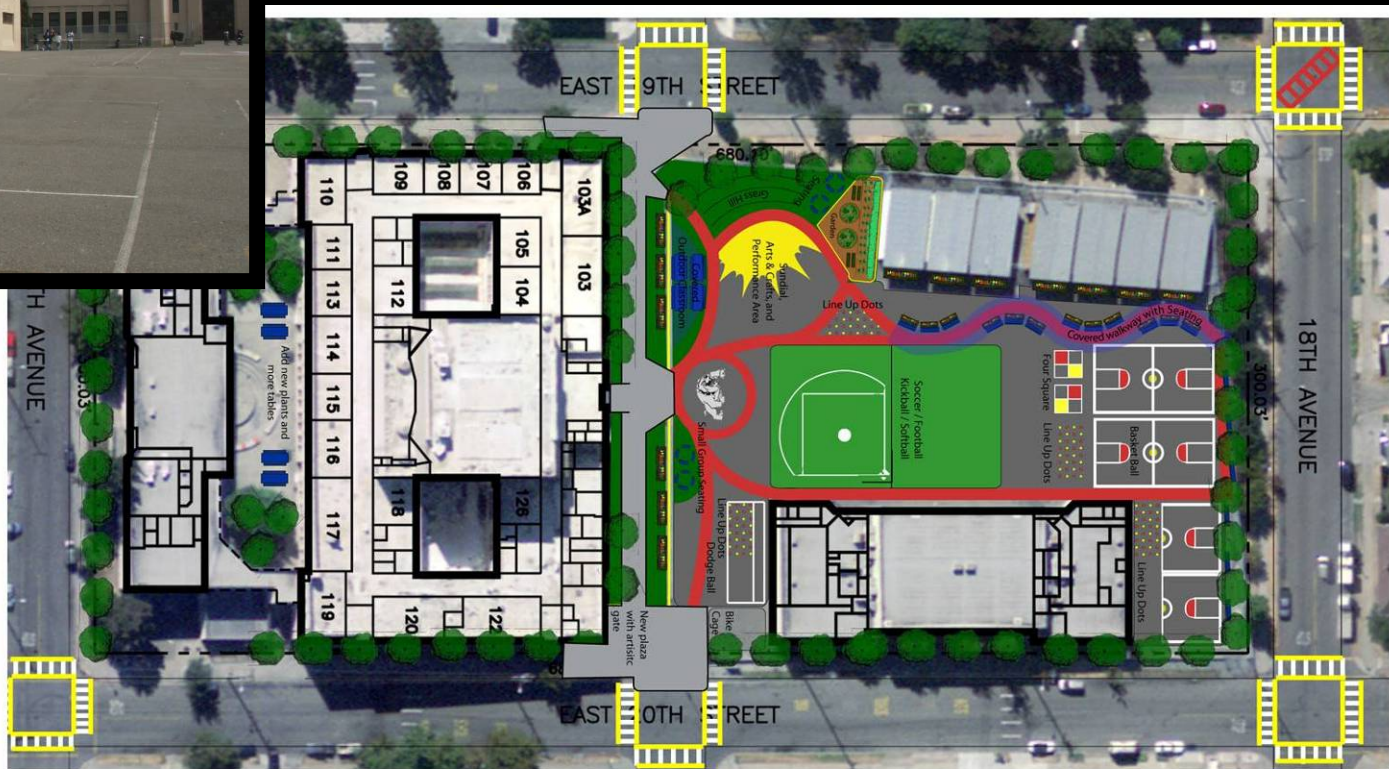




Urban Promise Academy







Investment in sportsmanship, social skills, community, and education.

Entrance:
 Group of tables for an outdoor classroom.
 Groups of benches for small group seating.
 Shade structures over seating and pathway.
 Space on south side of gym for ball play on blacktop.

Courtyard:
 Add new plants and more tables.
 Add new plants and more tables.
 Add trees to the entire perimeter.
 Repair any broken sidewalk.
 High visibility crosswalks at every intersection.

area.

Final Design

Example Pictures



Simulations



Alternative Future Plan



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