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## [CE SBAC] SBAC - Town Member Feedback

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Hello –

I am a Cape Elizabeth resident ([15 Peppergrass Road](#)) alongside my husband [@Joe Geoghegan](#), who grew up in Cape Elizabeth. We have lived here together since 2020 and moved here because of the great school system. Since moving we have given birth to two incredible little girls, Layla (2.5) and Kennedy (3 months). Now more than ever we are very focused on what their future school system will look like.

First off, I want to thank the School Board and the Town Council for the time and energy you have all poured into these plans. I understand there are a lot of opinions on the topic, and it's a tough road to navigate when finances are involved.

That being said, I wanted to pass along my personal opinion for your consideration.

To me it feels fiscally *irresponsible* to consider any plans that are only a "band-aid" solution and would push future new builds down the road. Let's make the investment NOW for the kids and their teachers. I am in support of Option "E" which will give us a new middle school, causing the least disruption for current students while planning for future students (including the plan to address the aging High School and create a plan to rebuild Pond Cove). It is extremely important to me to have learning, eating and gathering spaces that are safe and foster creativity. This includes natural light, safe passage for students with disabilities and secure entryways.

Lastly, I think cooling **MUST** be included in the options for all school plans. Our children should have the ability to learn without having to focus on any other discomforts, and the same goes for our teachers. As a professional, I would find it unacceptable to work in a building without proper cooling. We should give the same respect to our teachers and students.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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