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[CE SBAC] Input on your votes this week

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SBAC Members,

First of all, thank you very much for the countless hours you have invested in this process and the multiple nights you will spend on it again this week.

I am writing to ask you to fulfill the SBAC charter for which you kindly volunteered, "working with professionals to assess the previous school building referendum proposal and to advise the School Board and the Town Council on a Building Plan and funding to address our school building needs." Considering this charge:

1. Options B and C *do not sufficiently address our school building needs*. Instead, they put bandaids on problems tied to these needs, and, given the purpose of school buildings is schooling, they disrupt it (to the tune of \$3.6M to relocate students).
2. Options B and C saddle taxpayers with larger medium- and long-term tax bills (many of the residents concerned about tax increases will actually pay more during their lifetimes with these options versus Option E)
3. The most recent survey the SBAC launched suggests that Concept E is the preferred option. If the purpose of the vote was to test public opinion, the SBAC now has that public opinion.

Thank you in advance for your consideration and again for your public service.

Respectfully,
Grier Dienstag

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