Spurwink School Proposal from the Cape Elizabeth School Department

C.A.P.E. HUB

A laboratory for teaching and learning
An incubator for school and community collaborations
A center for creativity

Housed at the historic Spurwink School, Cape Elizabeth School's HUB will support a dynamic and multifaceted set of programming designed to meet the needs of 21st century students, teachers, and members of the larger community. In all elements, a dedication to student leadership will be encouraged and supported with opportunities for learning explored and created whenever possible.

Student Work and Collaboration Space- Space will be used for K-12 classes to visit and work in the various studios as well as for high school students involved in the Student Driven Learning program to work independently or with community mentors and volunteers.

Professional Development Center- C.A.P.E. HUB will host professional development opportunities for Cape Elizabeth educators as well as educators from outside of town. The HUB will serve as a gathering point for teachers, teaching artists, and community members.

Open Doors Summer Studio- The name "Open Doors Studio" originated as the name for the creative literacy summer program Cape Elizabeth Schools instituted in the summer of 2014. With appropriate space in the school buildings at a minimum during summer months due to cleaning and construction, Open Door Summer Studios will now have a place to continue and expand summer offerings.

Idea Incubator: Bring your idea, we'll try to help it grow.

Performance Space- A small stage will allow the C.A.P.E. HUB to host open mic nights and afternoons for students, classes, and the larger community. The flexibility of the space will allow for readings, films, lectures, and music.

Over time, the district would seek to expand into the following areas:

Gallery- A professional quality gallery for presenting multi-genre works created by students, community members and visiting professional artists.

Video and Audio Production Studio- A video and audio production studio will allow students to produce content for classes and for consumption by the larger community through CE cable

TV and dedicated YouTube and internet radio stations. This studio will allow students to serve the school and greater community by producing content needed by various groups and organizations.

Print and Image Publication Studio- A print and image publication studio will allow students with interest in these fields to serve the school and larger community in the same way as those involved in the video and audio production studio.

Living History Museum- In collaboration with the CE Historical Society, students and community members will maintain a living history museum, a space dedicated to acknowledging the past, documenting the present, and making plans for the future.

Resident Studio Space- A dedicated private work space will be made available on a fixed term rotating basis for a resident artist/writer/designer/entrepreneur/etc who will be selected by a student board and will, in exchange for the space, collaborate with students and teachers on a variety of projects.