

## Notes from the PLC meeting regarding our "New Classroom"

1. Faculty thoughts:
  - a. are not given a choice to the room you get
  - b. Faculty tend not to feel a connection to the room - transient
  - c. teaching "out of subject" - Rooms that were traditionally "math or english" are not the case anymore so many disciplines share the same space, but others do not "Take Geo for instance" inconsistent nature of room allocation
  - d. "Rooms should be built to the subject to the best of the abilities."
2. Renovation:
  - a. Breakout spaces were not added to new renovations because they were at the expense of other areas that were also seen as important
  - b. original intentions were that the classrooms would be Fully flexible, not owned, subject specific.
3. Organizational Perspective:
  - a. What kind of documentation do we have, we rely on institutional memory, how can we move forward and learn from what happened with the schedule this year (problematic)
  - b. Have we thought about the space or prioritized conversations about the space?
  - c. We want you to be in a room that makes it work
  - d. How can we maximize the investment of planning/money/time in the new classrooms today?
  - e. With the lateness of summer camps butting up against the start of the school year, it is even more crucial for us as a school to create subject-specific classrooms.
4. Questions:
  - a. Do all faculty think the classroom matters?
  - b. Do faculty love the room they teach in?
  - c. Have we given teachers enough time to truly think about 'HOW' they prefer to use their classrooms? Can we allot this time in reality?
  - d. Are we duping our visitors who get wowed by our impressive classrooms but aren't honestly used the way they were intended to be used.
  - e. Can teachers be given their timetables earlier? More than a week or two before the return to school (mid August).
  - f. Can teachers have earlier access to their classrooms?
  - g. Can teachers who teach in the same classrooms meet to discuss specifics about classroom use and needs, setup of furniture, equipment and other resources.