



9 Tips for a Successful School Project

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Does your community need a new or renovated school?

Here are nine tips to help get you to ribbon cutting



TIP 1

Line up options early

Funding applications and voter referendums take lead time.
Talk to other Maine professionals who've been through the process.



TIP 2

Study the roadmap

Understand Maine DOE's 21-Step Capital Improvement Process and local funding protocols in your district.



TIP 3

Find a design team you like and trust

Select an experienced, full-service Architecture & Engineering team you feel confident in and comfortable with.



TIP 4

Visit other schools

There is no substitute for seeing design ideas in action.



TIP 5

Anticipate conflict

Change is emotional, especially when schools are involved.



TIP 6

Stay connected

Hold meetings in each community so everyone feels listened to.



TIP 7

Read all documents

Ask questions; seek clarity. Words and pictures turn into buildings.



TIP 8

Demand excellence

Expect team members to take ownership of their roles and honor their commitments.



TIP 9

Celebrate success

Your new school space will improve the lives of students and educators for generations. That's worth celebrating!



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