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### Memorandum

**To:** Mayor & Council  
**From:** David Reynolds  
**Re:** Agenda Item: Riverside Middle School Project Introduction  
**Date:** 09/16/2025

**Purpose:**

The purpose of this agenda item is to allow time for representatives from New Castle's Riverside Middle School to introduce an exciting new multi-use playground project to be built on school property. This project is designed to include multiple pieces of play equipment, a ball court, shade structure, and a small amphitheater with targeted use by students and the wider community. With the projects planning stage well under way, the various elements of this project including architect, civil engineering, excavation, equipment purchase, surfacing work, etc., are all being finalized so that once final financing is secured the project will be ready to go. To date the school has done a great job of managing internal fundraising and private donations and is now reaching out to explore community partnerships that may help to get this project over the finish line.