BSI Design Process - School & Community
Shared Use of the Schoolyard & Outdoor Classroom
data collection sheet - issues checklist

Please complete this page before your first design meeting in October with your Landscape Architect. This is a design tool to flag potential issues and collect data to optimize the time you have with your designer. The Following type of issues often come up in the beginning of up schoolyard design discussions. It is important that differing opinions of committee members are aired so designs solutions can be developed by the Landscape Architect.

☐ Parking (note the # of spaces needed)
school use: teachers (all day or in and out?) __________ para-professionals/other __________

community use: neighbors over night ___________ summer ___________

☐ School use of the schoolyard (note # of users & time of day)
recess students _______________________________________________________________________

after school ___________________________________________________________________________
gym (note # of users & time of day) _______________________________________________________________________
lunch (note # of users & time of day) _______________________________________________________________________

☐ Community uses of the Schoolyard
shortcut across schoolyard _______________________________________________________________________
basketball, stickball, etc. __________________________________________________________________________
other __________________________________________________________________________________________

☐ Safety and security
fencing of schoolyard (complete/needed/etc?) _________________________________________________
outdoor classroom (lock/not lock) _________________________________________________________________

☐ Lighting
# of lights / location __________________________________________________________________________
motion detectors __________ impact on neighbors ____________________________________________________
☐ Maintenance & Site issues

- summer watering
- tree & landscape maintenance
- outdoor classroom maintenance
- salt use and impact on plants and health
- trash removal
- dumpster location
- snow removal/piles
- sand & up issues

☐ sharing of the schoolyard /good neighbor considerations

- noise
- dogs
- hang out places
- illegal activities - graffiti, drugs & alcohol
- trash

☐ Schedule of use issues

☐ Other

☐ Notes