### Campus Observations

#### Classrooms
- Three (3) Kinder classrooms
- Classrooms connected to collaboration spaces with computers, central to wing.
- Classrooms have fixed teaching wall.
- Some daylighting from sidelights; no blinds/shades to control incoming light.
- Moveable partitions between some classrooms; not likely opened very often.
- A number of classes housed in portables, including 6th grade (2), Music (2), Science.
- Science classroom needs plumbing/sink.
- Music would benefit from permanent structure for winds and vocals.

#### Library/Media
- Centrally located, near K-2 classrooms; 3-5 classrooms must go through Admin or MPR to access; 6th in portables.
- Both library and media areas inadequate in size; separate computer lab desired to create more space for both functions.
- Conference room and Principal office along perimeter; potential for disruptions.
- Unique window shape lends itself to creating small nooks for activities/reading.

#### Food Service
- Too small; need larger food service area or addition of service window to reduce congestion; only one (1) entry/exit.
- Lunch shade shelters; no rain protection.

#### Multi-Purpose Room
- Cannot open up into outdoor space.
- Staged seating.
- Stage has partition; is used as music classroom but seems small.

#### Admin & Support Spaces
- Front office is inadequate; need for larger work zone for Admin Assistant and Clerk, larger health office.
- Teacher workroom is small, inadequate to support staff needs; cannot accommodate more than two at once.
- Teachers prep in classrooms; large common work area would be desired.
- Principal’s office has table that seats 6.

### General Condition / Space Use
- Generally well-maintained site.
- Staff works around site deficits by using spaces for multiple purposes.
- Insufficient classroom space in permanent building to support enrollment.
- Desire to replace portables with permanent, to have learning facilities on permanent building to support enrollment.
- Non-traditional space uses: pod of 8-10 computers in each wing; some classrooms have 2 computers each.
- Wireless available throughout campus.

#### Non-Traditional Space Uses
- Portable being used for storage, another as computer lab, third as counseling room.

#### Vehicular Access / Parking / Drop Off
- Parking lot is too small to support vehicular traffic, causing major congestion at drop-off and pick-up times; needs to be larger and redesigned to improve flow.
- Late drop-off due to congestion results in student tardiness.
- Adding benches at front of school would benefit parents/students at pick-up time.

#### Wayfinding
- Main Admin is easy to find with.

### Northwood Elementary School

- This school is a California Distinguished School and a National Blue Ribbon School. Additionally, the staff has established three main areas of focus to better serve its students: fostering a love of learning, valuing individuals, and enriching learning.
- The school also involves its students using a multitude of programs, such as the Northwood Reading Olympics, Lego and Chess Club, and Spirit Days.

#### Mission Statement
- To prepare students to face the challenges of the future and become their best selves.
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SCHOOL STATISTICS
Grades: K-6
Building SF: 27,473
Portable SF: 9,584
2010/11 Enrollment: 555
Year Built: 1981
Modernization: 2008
Site Acreage: 7.6
# Portables: 10+2 CC

CLASSROOM COUNT

Kindergarten 3
1st & 2nd Grade 6.5
3rd & 4th Grade 4.5
5th & 6th Grade (2 + 2 Portables) 4
Science (1 Portable) 1
Music (2 Portables + 1 Stage) 3
RTI/RSP (1 + 2 Portables) 3
Computer Lab* (1 + 1 Portable) 2
TOTAL 27
*One computer lab is not full-size classroom; located in portable

MEASURES OF QUALITY - +
Wayfinding/Entry/Welcome 0 0 0 0
Natural Daylighting 0 0 0 0
Controllability (Daylight, Lighting, HVAC) 0 0 0 0
Flexibility in Classrooms 0 0 0 0
Access to Technology 0 0 0 0
Collaboration 0 0 0 0
Student Display 0 0 0 0
MPR 0 0 0 0
Library/Media 0 0 0 0
Functional Landscaping 0 0 0 0
Energy Consumption 0 0 0 0
General Condition 0 0 0 0

LEGEND
Main Entry
Secondary Entry
Drop-Off
Main Circulation
Playfields/Landscape
Hardcourts
Play Apparatus
Parking
Trees

UTILIZATION LEGEND
Kindergarten Classroom
Classroom
Science/Art Lab
Specialty Classroom
Special Ed Classroom
Portable (Color based on Program)
Child Care (Portable)
Kindergarten Grade Level
Art
Music
Commons
RSP
Special Ed/Resource Administration
Computer Lab
Unused Classroom

SCALE 1:60
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Childcare Portable
Main Office
Waiting Area
Principal’s Office

Conference Room
Health Office
Staff Lounge
Staff Patio

Psychologist’s Office
Resource Center
Custodian Office

KEY MAP