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Dear Steel Center Stakeholder,

Welcome to our "Proposed Building Renovations" page! Steel Center's Mission is to "empower students by providing cutting edge and relevant experiences to strengthen the workforce and our communities" and our Vision is to be "recognized as a premier educational choice, an innovative workforce training center, an invaluable community partner, and a Pathway to Success". To put these words into action, Steel Center must maintain facilities that are both safe and supportive of our hands-on and technology-driven learning environment. Steel Center was originally formed in 1964, and for our first sixteen years we operated at two other locations. It was following a strong commitment from our member school districts that we opened the doors of our current location at 565 North Lewis Run Road here in Jefferson Hills, Pennsylvania in August of 1980. The eleven consortium member school districts who own and operate Steel Center through a collaborative partnership know that it takes a healthy economy with successful businesses and industries to keep their communities strong. To that end, together, the Baldwin-Whitehall, Bethel Park, Brentwood Borough, Clairton City, Duquesne City, Elizabeth Forward, South Allegheny, South Park, Steel Valley, West Jefferson Hills, and West Mifflin Area school districts have been providing high school students with opportunities to begin a lifelong career right here at Steel Center.

Since 1980, thousands and thousands of students have launched their careers and lives through the training they received at Steel Center. Some entered right into the local and regional workforce, others went to college or trade school first. But within each of our communities, these alumni live, work, raise their families and contribute to the system that made their career possible. Many run or even own businesses in the very school district and community in which they grew up. It's been more than four decades since this building opened, and these facilities have served our school districts and communities well. But in order to continue providing a Pathway to Success, the time has come when critical repairs, failing systems, and needed improvements to the facility must be addressed. This page is designed to share information with all community stakeholders regarding the proposed renovations that Steel Center needs in order to fulfill our important Mission and realize the shared Vision of our member school districts. I invite you to become familiar with the documents, materials, and resources we have placed on this page. Feel free to attend one of the eleven presentations that we will be making for our member school board meetings over the next two months. And please reach out to me directly if you wish to discuss the information you find here, or have questions, ideas, or concerns about all things Steel Center.

Warm regards,

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