

Our first task was to develop program criteria with your superintendent of Schools, Dr. Rudolph J. Fobert. We developed suggested minimum space requirements for elementary, junior high and senior high levels. These were presented within an area range so that they might be applied with a degree of flexibility and for a variety of class sizes. A copy of those requirements are included herein. For the most part, the elementary space requirements listed were developed for the Bridge and Bowman Schools in 1965. The space requirements for junior high schools were developed for the Clarke School in 1971. High School requirements have been updated during this survey with the help of your Superintendent, Dr. Fobert, the Principal, Mr. Charles C. Johnson and his staff.

The intent has been to provide a continuance of flexible spaces for a curriculum designed to enable individual advancement at a variable rate from the elementary through the high school level for each Lexington student. Variety of spaces was stressed in each school. Availability

of specialized spaces to allow for a well balanced program was also stressed. The inclusion of the handicapped and the exceptional child is now mandated by State Law. Equally, the exclusion of vocational education has been reflected as a result of the Town's membership in the Minuteman Regional Vocational Technical School District. Areas reflect class sizes ranging from 35 pupils per class in physical education down to tutorial and remedial groupings of two to three pupils. However, the majority of areas were assigned on the basis of a maximum of 25 pupils per class. This figure provides for additional flexibility by increasing or decreasing class sizes.