

Soma Eastside Church Building Update

April 15, 2021

In January of 2021 the Soma Eastside Church (SEC) building committee toured [this property](#) on Issaquah-Pine Lake Road in hopes of joining with a local school to put an offer on the property. The Elders have been looking at this property off and on for years - it is within a mile of PCMS and would give us a long-term home that would help us accomplish our mission on the Eastside. We took [these pictures](#) of the inside during our tour.



Last week Chad Eder and Pastor Paul met with a representative of Eastside Community School that has a sale pending with the property owners. The school is interested in exploring a long-term partnership with SEC that includes us leasing the property on weeknights and weekends (plus perhaps some space that will be ours to use 24/7). Both sides are excited about the possibilities.

What we are asking from Soma Eastside:

- Please pray for wisdom for the Elders and building committee as we consider this property and negotiate with the school.
- Please give Pastor Paul any feedback that you have regarding Soma Eastside leasing this property.
- Please be praying and thinking about giving over and above your regular tithe towards the building fund. We will most likely need to put a substantial down-payment on our lease up front. We may also have opportunity to help the school through other creative fundraising ideas. Our Director of Finance, Chad Eder, will give us more details and a specific financial goal in the upcoming weeks.



Staff and leaders of SEC brainstormed a list of our likely space needs. We believe we will be able to successfully negotiate most (if not all) of these.

Weekends

- Main Auditorium
- Classroom space (7 classrooms)
- Nursing/family room with ability to watch and listen to the service
- Indoor or outdoor space for children to play after the service
- Video/Audio studio
- Kitchen space for hospitality team
- Large meeting space for monthly/quarterly meetings

Midweek

- Meet 1-2 evenings a week
- Main auditorium and 5 classrooms
- Study hall room - 1x a week for tutoring or homework assistance
- MOPs space 1x a week - daytime

Summer

- Outdoor access for VBS (plus breakout rooms)
- Auditorium - other summer events
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Permanent Space

- Storage space on-site (kids stuff, music equipment, hospitality items, etc)
- Office space - copy center and meeting/conference space