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Welcoming Address

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Dr. Ken Wagner – Commissioner, Rhode Island
Department of Education

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Looking, Hearing, Feeling – Sensing the Benefits of High Performance Schools



Opening Speaker:

- Dr. Joseph da Silva, RI School Building Authority

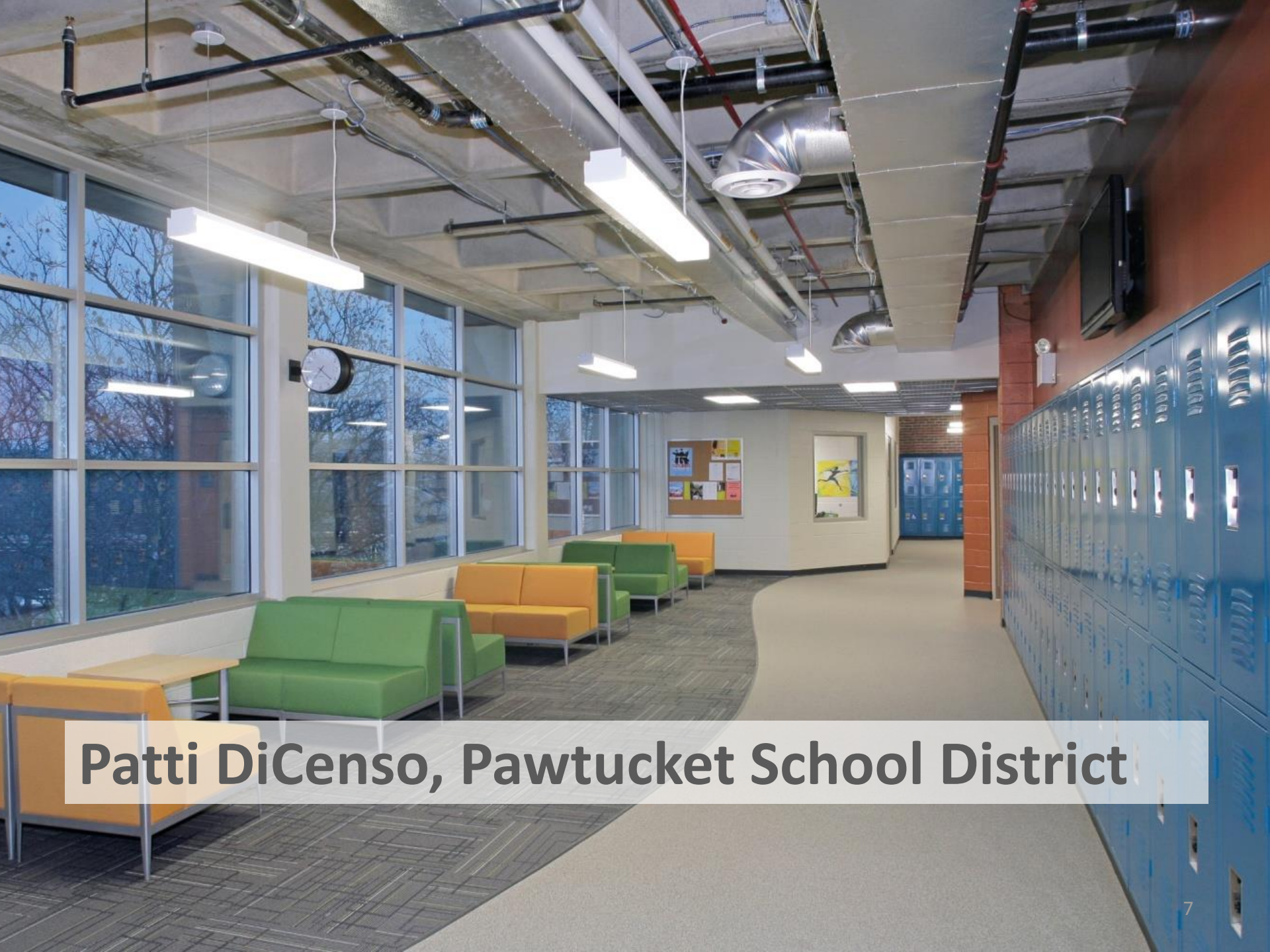
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Patti DiCenso, Pawtucket School District

Looking, Hearing, Feeling: Sensing the Benefits of High Performance Schools



Environmental Implications in
Language Development & Acquisition

Shélynn Riel-Osorio

Ambient Noise & Learning

Children are not as well-equipped as adults to cope with cacophony of modern life.

A child's ability to overcome the sensory demands created by background noise does not reach the adult level until the late teenage years (Johnson, 2000).



Learner Impact

The presence of noise in a learning environment can have cognitive and psychophysiological repercussions on young learners, demonstrated through:

- Delayed reading skills, speech perception, and memory (Maxwell & Evans, 2000).
- Increased cortisol levels and heart rate (Evans, et. al., 1995).

High-Risk Subpopulations

- SES/ Urban dwellers
- Hearing-impaired students, students with learning disabilities, students with language and attention disorders
- Language learners (and not just English learners!)



Creating a learning-conducive environment

means catering to the myriad intelligences present in the student body...



The Silver Lining



Given the prevalence of background noise, it is likely that children rarely experience completely quiet environments when learning. However, **even limited listening opportunities in quieter environments may help children overcome** the deleterious effects of noisier environments (Fallon, et al., 2000).

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Chin Lin, HMFH Architects





HEALTHY BUILDINGS

Schools for Health

Erika Eitland

Doctoral Student

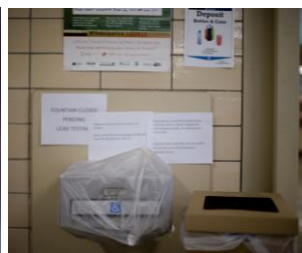
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A PLATFORM TO DISCUSS,
RESEARCH, AND DISSEMINATE
INFORMATION ON **HOW SCHOOL
BUILDINGS IMPACT THE HEALTH**
OF STUDENTS AND TEACHERS
EVERY DAY



“CHILDREN ARE NOT LITTLE ADULTS”



INDOOR ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



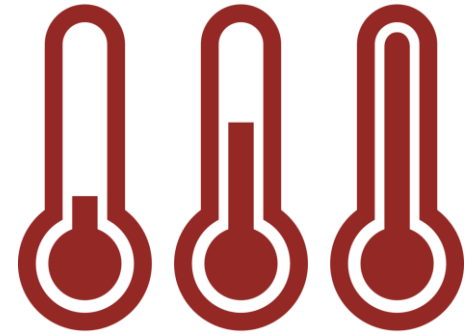
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LIGHTING & VIEWS



NOISE & ACOUSTICS



THERMAL HEALTH

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+ FOR HEALTH



MORE THAN 60,000 U.S.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS EXPERIENCE

ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS THAT CAUSE
ASTHMA, HEADACHES, NAUSEA, WEIGHT
GAIN, COGNITIVE IMPAIRMENT, COUGHING,
AND GENERAL EYE, NOSE, AND THROAT
IRRITATION.

VOCs

MOLD &
ALLERGENS

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LEAD

FLAME
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VISUAL

172 U.S. THIRD GRADE STUDENTS TESTED THE EFFECT OF HIGH INTENSITY GLARE-FREE “FOCUS” LIGHTING

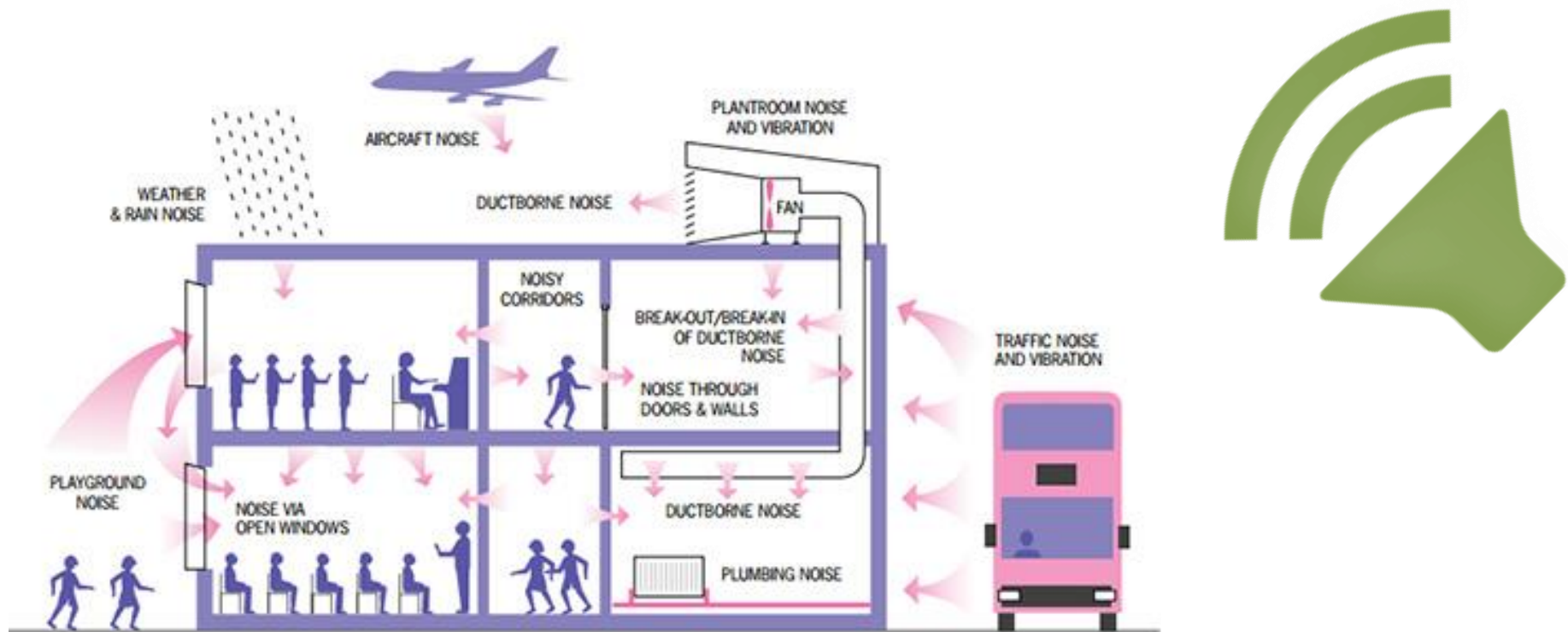
→ HIGHER % INCREASE IN ORAL READING FLUENCY PERFORMANCE

NON-VISUAL

- ARTIFICIAL DAYLIGHT (6500k)
 - COLOR TEMPERATURE → ALERTNESS, FEWER ERRORS, BETTER COMPUTERIZED TEST SCORES
- SEASONAL DIFFERENCES IN DAYLIGHT EXPOSURE
 - CIRCADIAN RHYTHM NOT STIMULATED → NEED TO SUPPLEMENT WITH ARTIFICIAL LIGHT

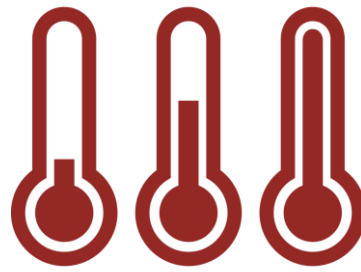


ABSENTEEISM, TEST SCORES,
ATTENTION, ADEQUATE SLEEP



- Within schools highly exposed to aircraft noise
 - 86% of teachers reported keeping the windows closed even in warmer weather
 - 38 % of them indicated they undertook fewer outdoor activities with their students (Bergstrom et al., 2015)
- Hypertension, sleep disturbance, stress, annoyance, cardiovascular disease, higher blood pressure irritability, behavioral changes
 - Reductions in reading comprehension, memory & attention

FOR EVERY 1°F
INCREASE, **TEST SCORES
FELL BY 0.2%**



TAKING AN EXAM ON A
90°F DAY VERSUS 75°F
DAY WOULD HAVE A
**12.3% HIGHER
LIKELIHOOD OF FAILING**

Jisung Park, Working Paper, 2016



SCHOOLS

FOR HEALTH

WHY DOES THE EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT MATTER?

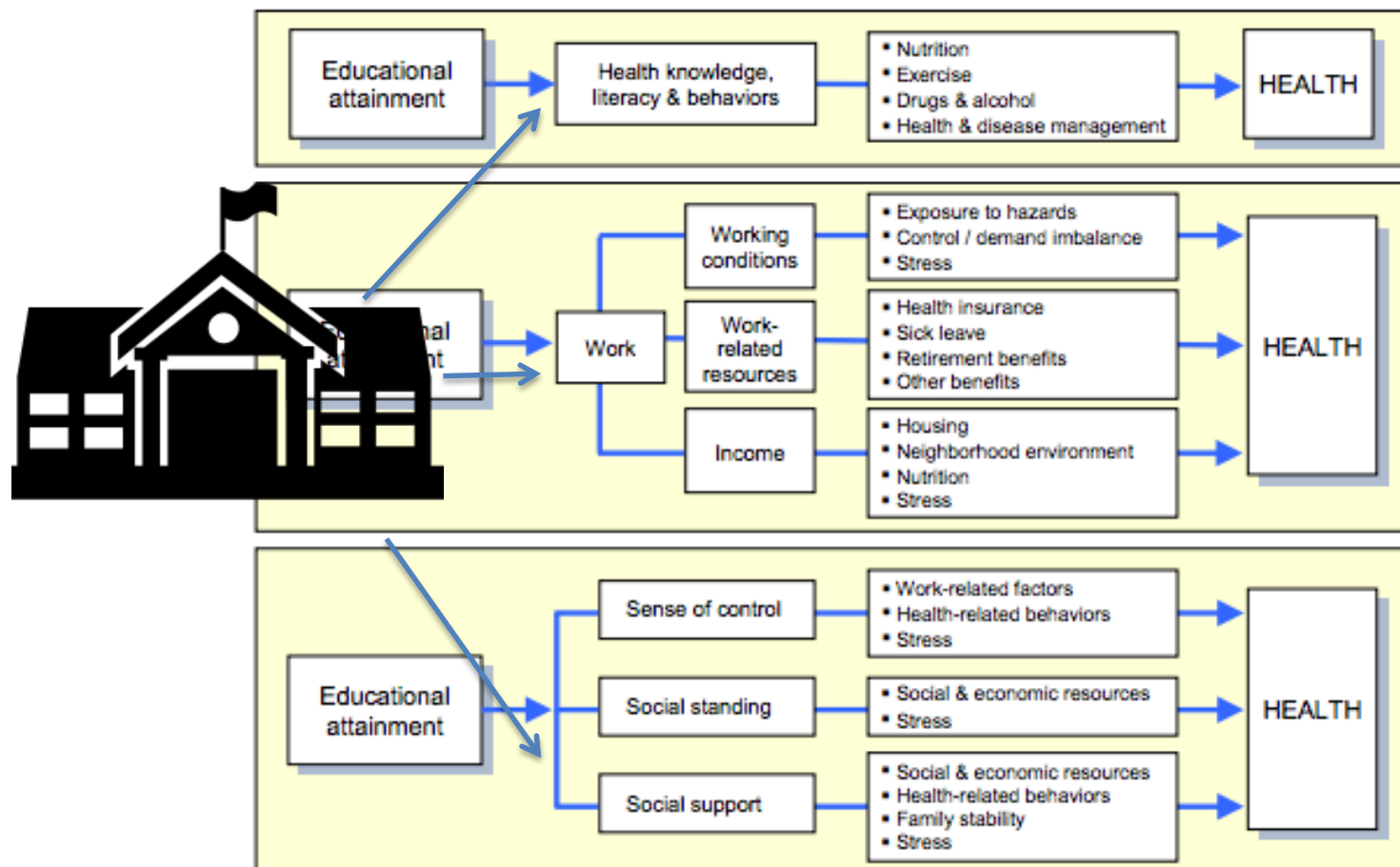


Figure 6. Interrelated pathways through which educational attainment affects health.

DISCUSSION



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NETWORKING AND EXHIBITOR BREAK

10:30 – 11:00 AM



SIEMENS

Ingenuity for life

THE PATH TO ZERO ENERGY SCHOOLS



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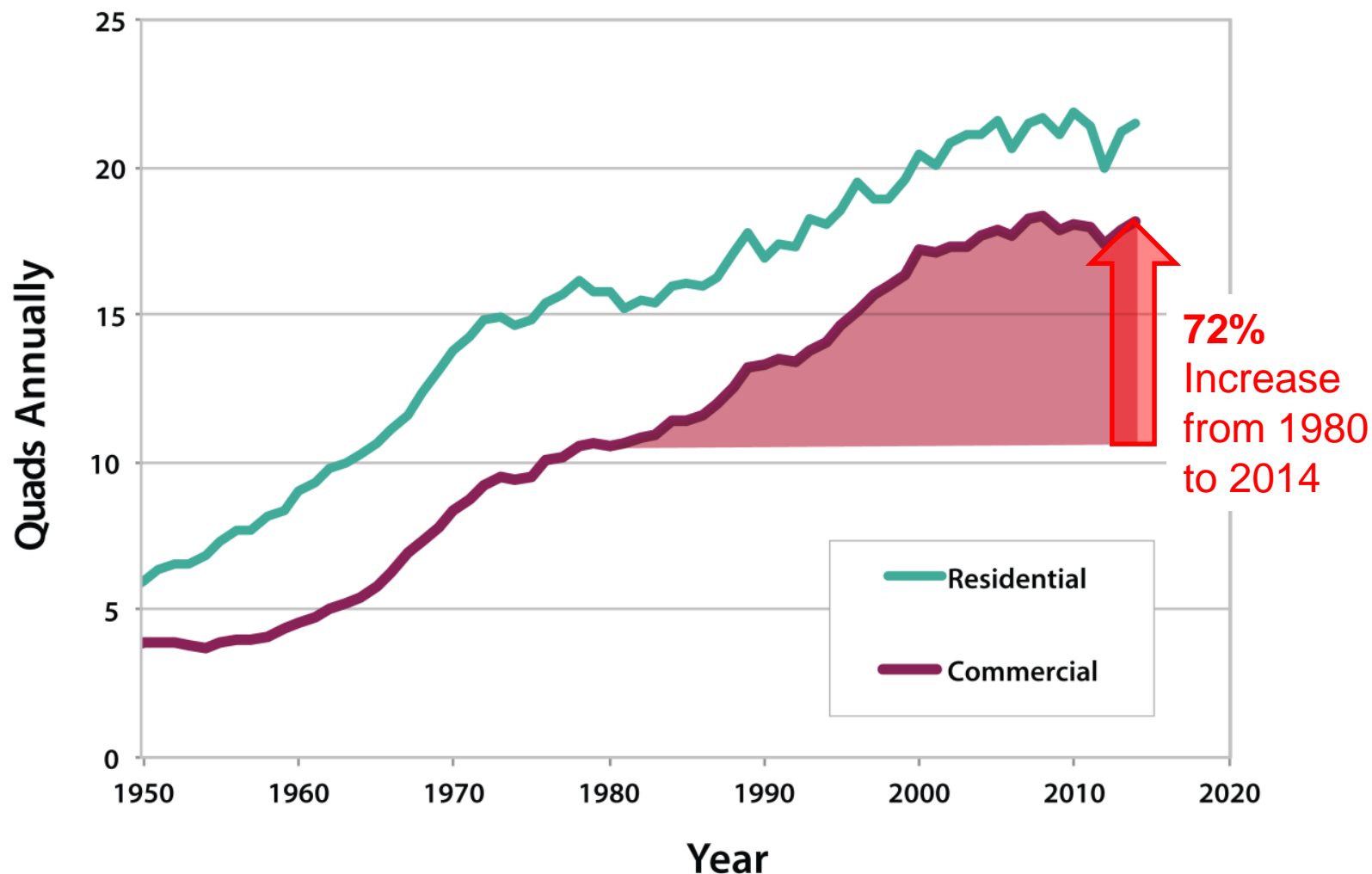
Designing to the Zero Energy Performance Target

Paul Torcellini, Ph.D., P.E.

National Renewable Energy Laboratory

October 21, 2016

U.S. Building Energy Consumption



Trends of Commercial Sector

- Growth is faster than energy efficiency measures
- Every decision has an energy and environmental impact
- Buildings mortgage the energy futures of the world

What are Zero Energy Buildings?

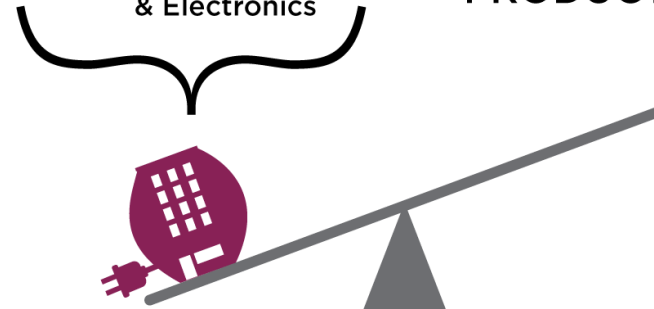
- Conceptually, a building that has no adverse energy [or environmental] impact [because of its operation]
- Energy consumption has been a long-term surrogate for environmental impact
- Boundaries and metrics
- What energy flows to measure

Zero Energy Building

CONSUMPTION

- Lighting
- Space Cooling
- Space Heating
- Hot Water
- Fans & Pumps
- Appliances & Electronics

PRODUCTION

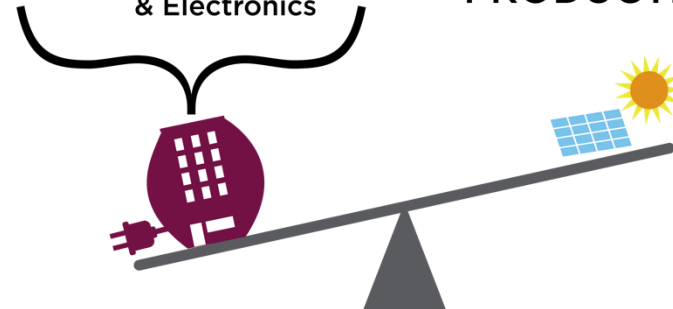


Adding Renewables

CONSUMPTION

- Lighting
- Space Cooling
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PRODUCTION



Building on a Diet

CONSUMPTION

💡 Lighting

❄️ Space Cooling

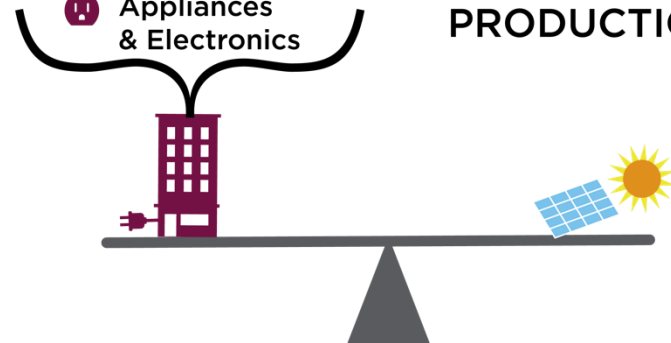
🔥 Space Heating

💧 Hot Water

🌀 Fans & Pumps

⚡ Appliances
& Electronics

PRODUCTION



ZEB Concept

Goal 1:
Reduce Consumption

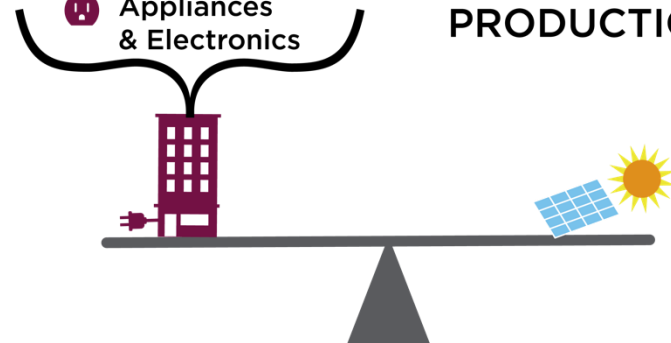
Goal 2:
Apply On-site Renewable
Energy

BALANCE!

CONSUMPTION

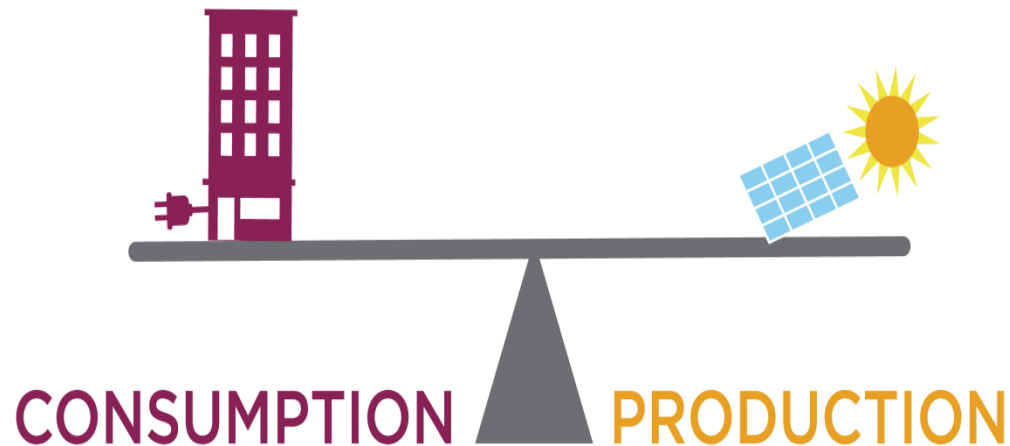
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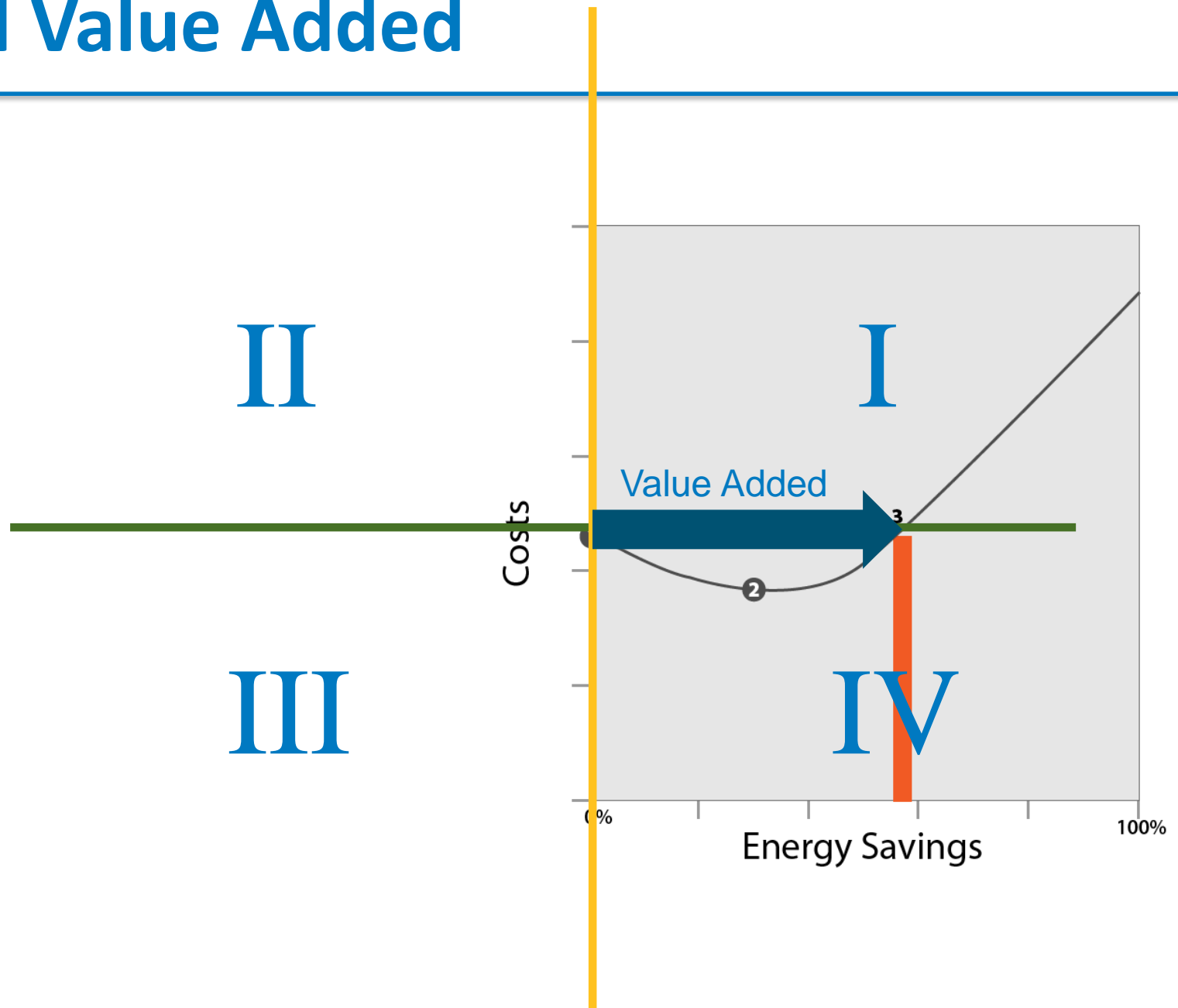


Zero Energy Building (ZEB) Definition

An **energy-efficient building**, where on a source energy basis, the actual annual delivered energy is less than or equal to the on-site renewable exported energy.



Real Value Added



How Do We Get There?

- **Set measurable goals around energy efficiency**
 - Energy Use Intensity Goals
 - Zero Energy Building (even if it is a stretch goal—all projects should state this!)
- **While Technology is important—the real solution is in motivating design and contractor teams to make decisions aligned with the project goals.**
 - Performance Based Procurement

Questions?

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Send us zero energy school case studies!



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ZEB Pathway to 2035

***A Whitepaper of the Rhode Island Zero
Net Energy Building Task Force***

By

Puja Vohra, National Grid



ZEB Task Force Background

Mission:

- ❖ Define a 20 year pathway for Rhode Island to advance Zero Energy Buildings (ZEB) across all building sectors in support of the Rhode Island Energy Plan 2035.

Rhode Island Specific Issues

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"This really is an innovative approach, but I'm afraid we can't consider it. It's never been done before."

- Awareness
- Higher upfront costs
- Cost of ownership
- Valuation and financing
- Technical know-how
- Alternatives for on-site generation
- Need for supportive utility infrastructure

Recommended State Goals

Suggested State Goals

- New Construction: 100% by 2035
- Existing Buildings: 10% by 2035
- Across all sectors:
Residential, Commercial,
Public Bldgs

How do we get there

- State Policies & Legislations
- Utility programs & grid modernization
- Technical, Financial & Education Support
- Marketplace adoption/ Implementation

Net-zero Energy Should Start with schools

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Studies indicate that schools are a prime market for net-zero energy design and operation, in both new construction and deep energy retrofit projects of existing building. Net zero schools are more beneficial to districts, occupants and the environment.



Zero Energy Schools in Rhode Island

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Where we are today

- 2 Zero Energy Ready
- RIDE's Long-term goals includes ZEBs
- Numerous EE retrofits

What do we need to do next?

- Lead by example
- Demo projects
- Strategic partnerships



**The Path to Zero Energy
Schools Related to
Rhode Island Public
Schools
School House
Energy Report Card
October 21, 2016**



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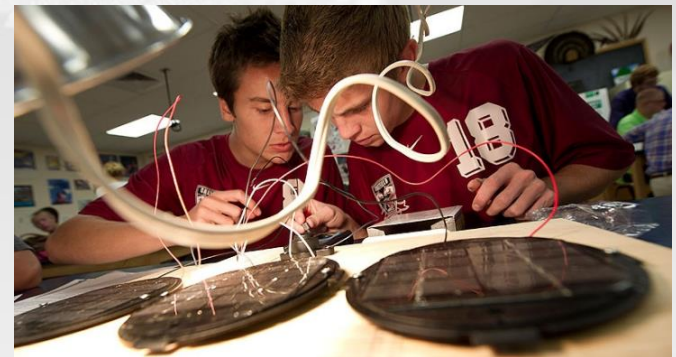
What We Did

- Surveyed 307 Schools
- 24.435 million ft²
- Derived Utility Cost Data from UCOA Data
- Benchmarked Energy Use for each school
- Assessed the Condition of Energy Consuming Equipment
- Identified Energy Conservation Measures
- Defined Action Plans to Achieve Net Zero Energy for Each School
- Identified Funding Sources & Execution Strategies



Why We Did This

- Significantly Reduce Energy \$
- Net Zero Energy Schools
- Avoid Energy Volatility \$
- Reduce O&M Costs
- Improve Cognitive Performance
- Improve Student Learning
- Create Living Laboratories
- Demonstrate Institutional Values
- Preserve Current Staff & Academic Programs



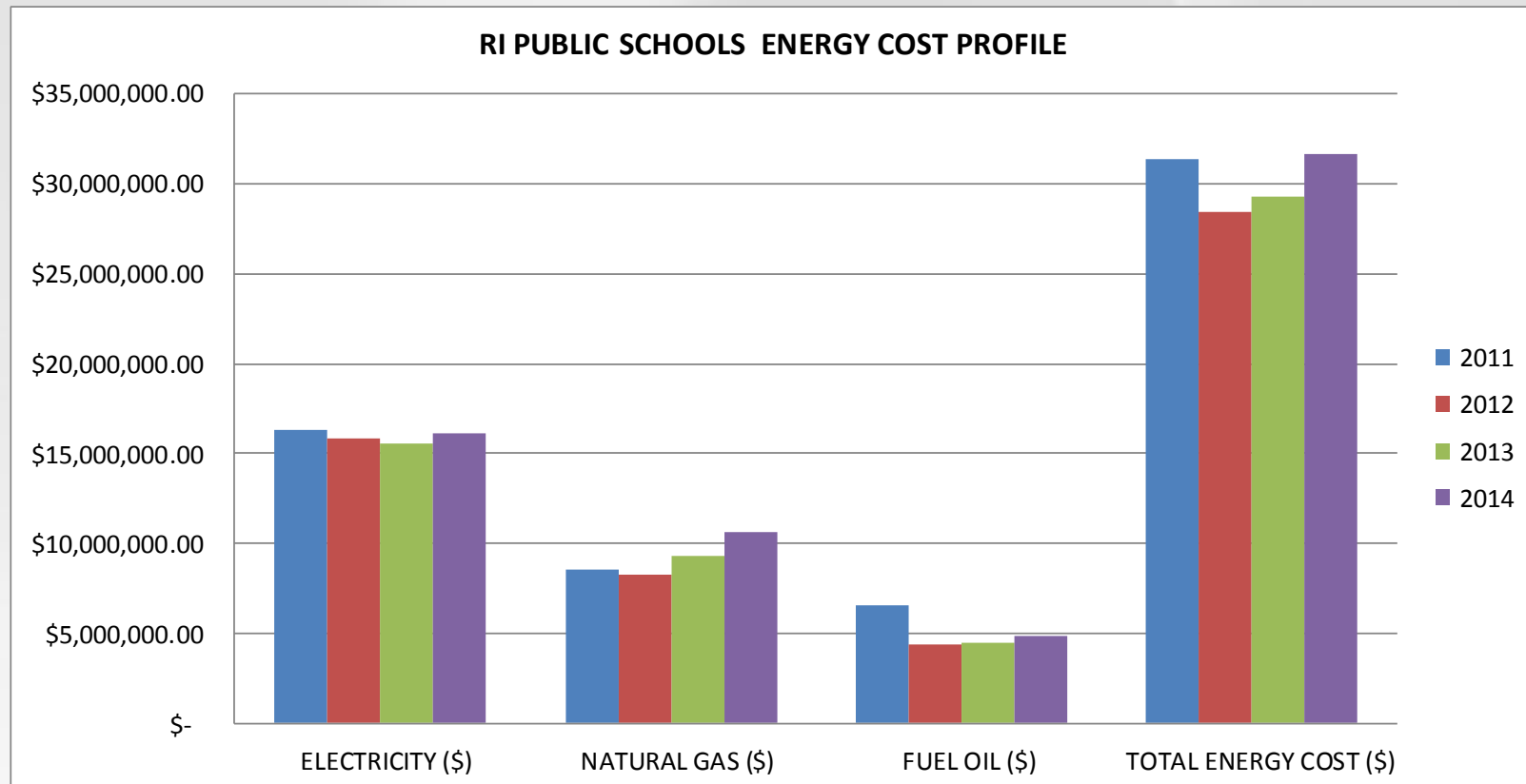
How Did We Do It

- 5 Teams Assessed 307 Schools
- Entered Conditions Data into MAPPS® via Handheld PC
- 4 Energy Engineers Filtered UCOA Utility Data
- Utility Consumption Derived from Cost Data based on Assumptions
- Calculated EUI & \$/ft² for each School
- Identified Energy Conservation Measures
- Defined Action Plans to Achieve Net Zero Energy
- Estimated Costs, Savings & simple payback period
- Utilized Potential Contractors
- Solicited Incentives & Funding Sources



Findings

- Rhode Island 4th highest AVG. Electric Rate in US 18.69 cents/kWh
- Avg. EUI 45.2 -60.7 vs. US Avg. 58.2
- Energy Costs \$33.6 Million
- Avg. Age of School 62 Years +/- 30
- Avg. School Energy Cost \$1.48/ft²



Rhode Island Dep't of Education Energy Consumption Findings

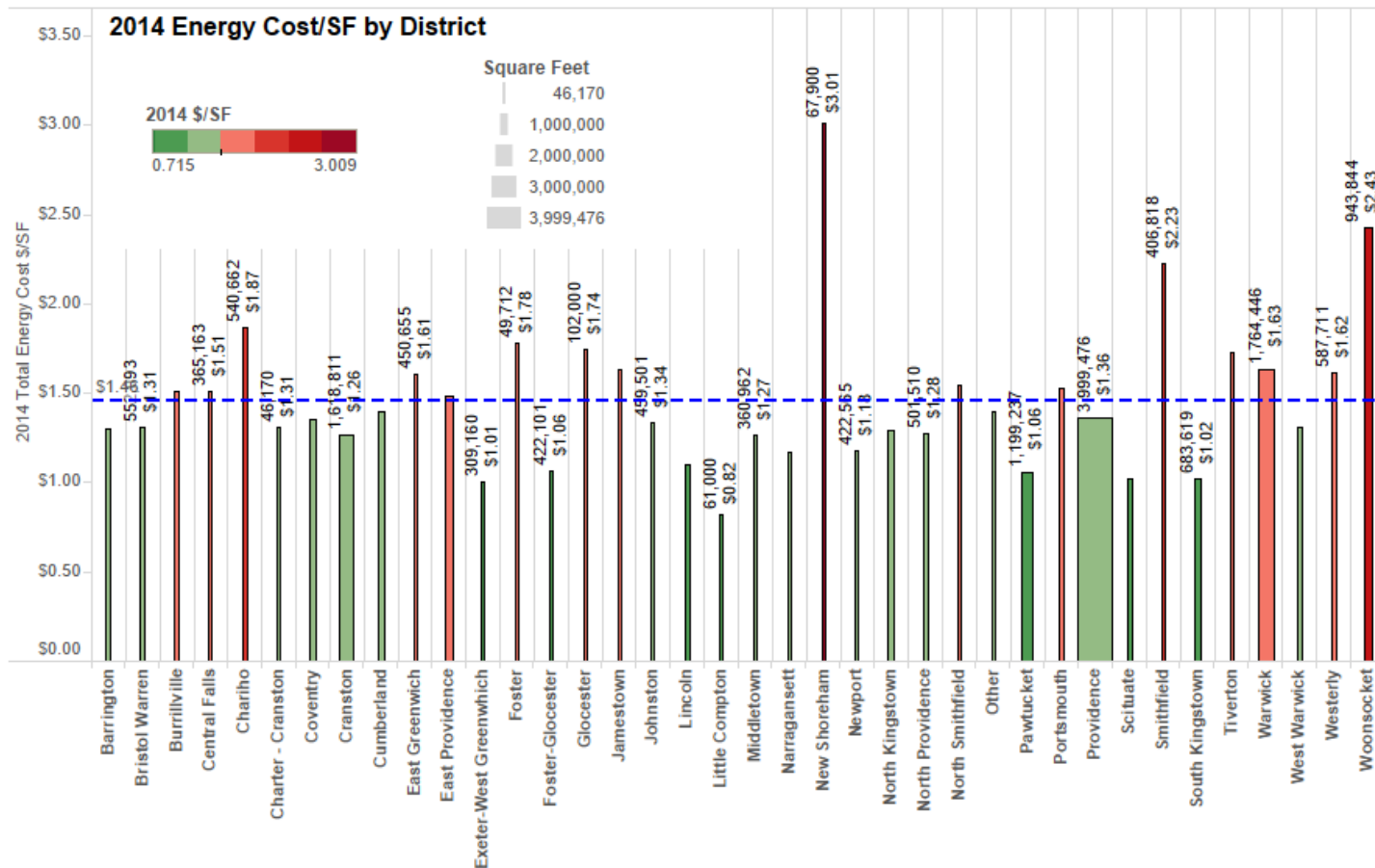
Map: \$/SF by District

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Energy Efficiency vs age



Rhode Island Public Schools Energy Cost (\$/SF by LEA)

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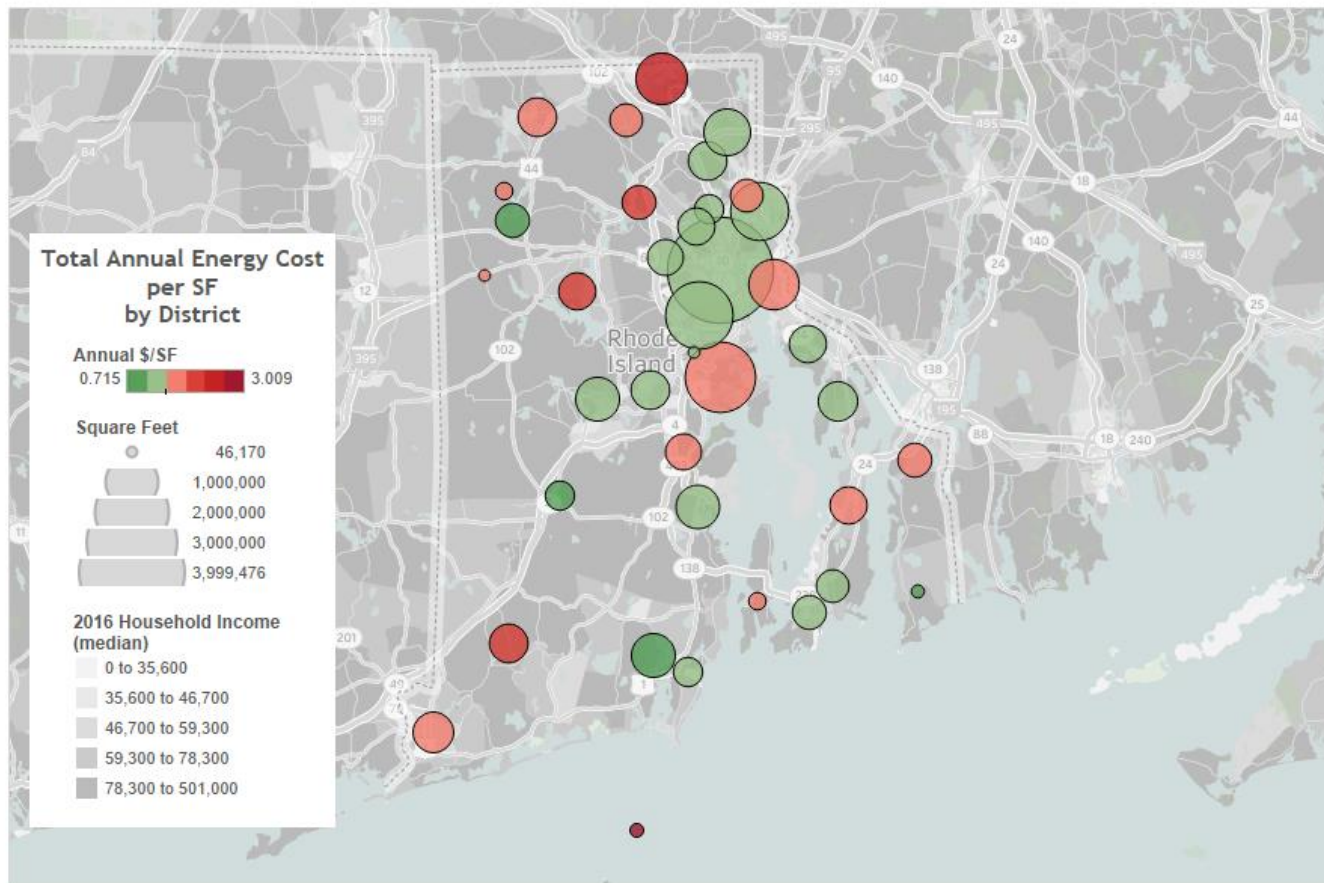
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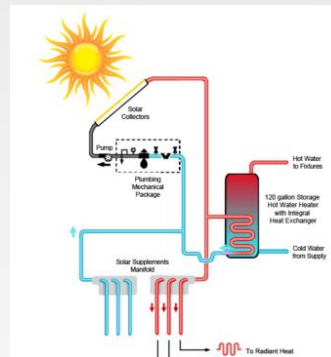
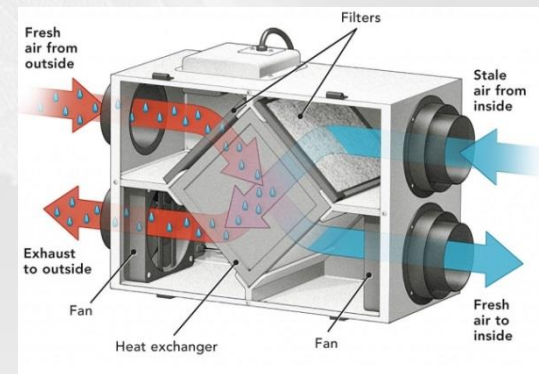
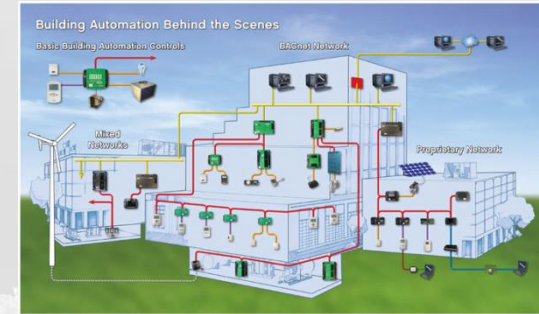
Energy Efficiency vs
age



<https://public.tableau.com/profile/paul.mills#!/vizhome/rideenergy/RIDEEnergyFindings>

Next Generation of Energy Conservation Measures

- Broader Benefits
- Better for Student Learning
- Longer Pay Back Periods
- Building Automation Systems
- Energy Recovery Ventilation
- LED Lighting Retrofit
- Solar Assisted Domestic Hot Water



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Energy Conservation and Net Zero Energy Measures

| Energy Conservation Measure | Cost to Implement | Annual Savings (Estimate) | Simple Payback (Years) | System Size |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Building Automation System | \$4,830,000 | \$149,920 | 32.22 | |
| ERVs/DOAS | \$6,855,500 | \$211,411 | 32.43 | |
| Solar Hot Water | \$14,340,000 | \$345,239 | 41.54 | |
| Solar Photovoltaics | \$246,916,430 | \$13,527,620 | 18.25 | 125MW Array generating 150,000 MWH/year |
| LED Lighting | \$64,121,905 | \$2,796,098 | 22.93 | |
| Heat Pumps (Geo) | \$389,677,907 | \$20,186,799 | 19.30 | 87,000 Tons of geothermal heat pump |

Steps for Going Net Zero Energy

- **ASHRAE Level 2 & 3 Audits**
- **Bundle ECMs**
 - Building Automation System
 - Energy Recovery Ventilation
 - LED Lighting Retrofits
- **Utilize RIBB Efficient Buildings Fund**
- **Bundle Net Zero Energy Measures**
 - Solar Assisted Domestic Hot Water Heaters
 - Geothermal Heat Pumps
 - Solar PV
- **Prepare RFQs**
- **Get Projects Shovel Ready**
- **Prepare RFPs**
- **Obtain Approvals**
- **Execute, Monitor, Inspect, Cx, Train**
- **Understand Financing & Incentive Options**
 - Federal Incentives
 - State Incentives & Financing
 - Utility Incentives & Financing
 - Other Public Financing (Bonds)
 - Qualified Energy Conservation Bonds (QECBs)
 - Tax Except Lease- Purchase
 - Third Party Ownership (PPA)
 - Private Financing Options (Bond-PPA Hybrid or Morris Model)
 - ESPCs (Energy Service Performance Contracts)
 - Renewable Energy Credits (RECs)
 - National Grid Energy Efficiency Rebates & Incentives

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Panelists:

- John McNamee, North Providence School Department
- Jeff Diehl, RI Infrastructure Bank
- Bob Donovan, RI Health and Educational Building Corporation
- Jerry Drummond, National Grid

Facilitator:

- Rachel Sholly, Rhode Island Office of Energy Resources

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- Celebrating the success of creating high quality, sustainable learning environments in Rhode Island



SCHOOLHOUSE ENERGY REPORT CARD



SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY
at the Rhode Island Department of Education



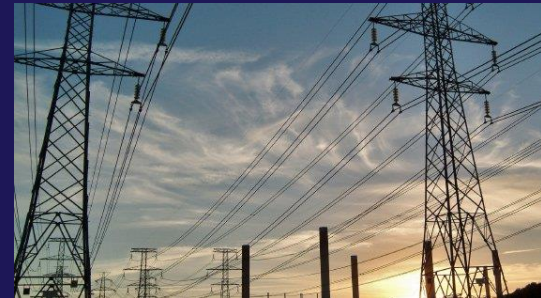
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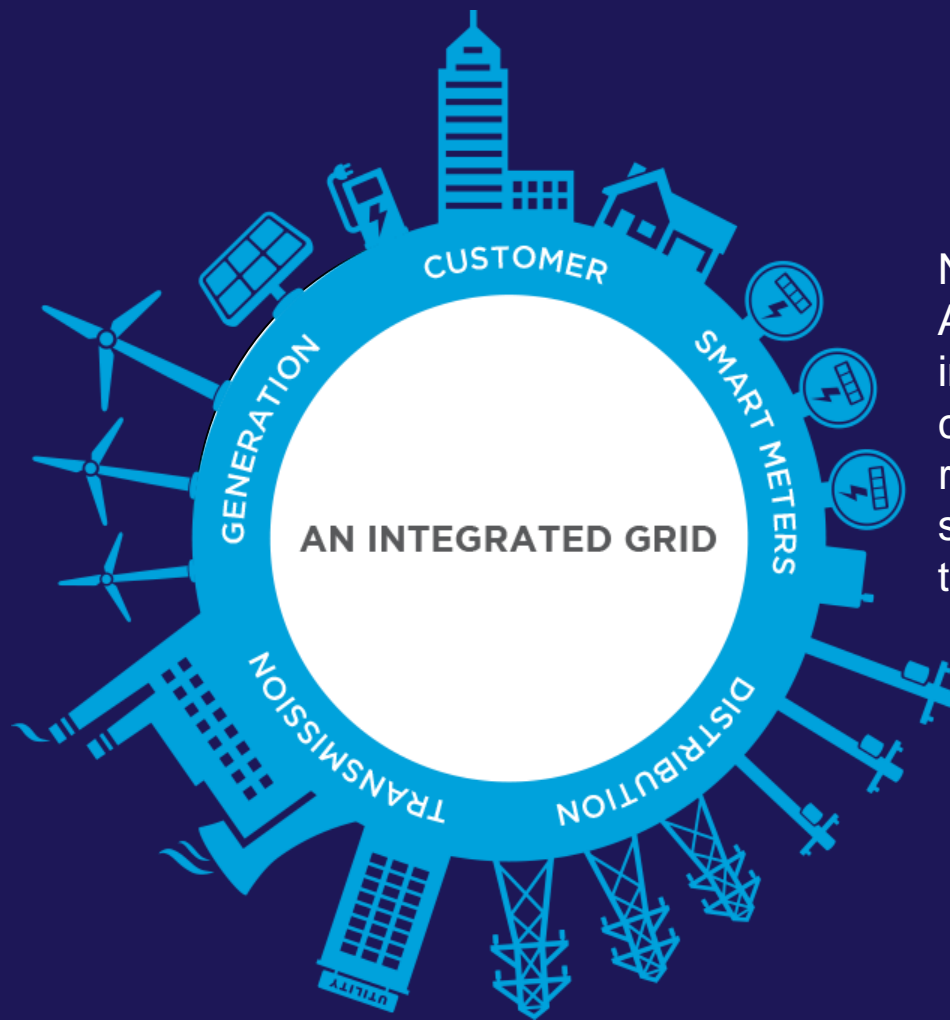


- Changing landscape in Energy and Utility
- Where we are today in Rhode Island
- How do we get to the future

Our world is changing....fast!

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3. **Distributed Generation & Storage**
4. **Grid Modernization**
5. **Vehicles**

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ACEEE policy rankings, 2014



What we've saved

- **4,173 GWh**
- **11, 855 dth**
- **525,205 kW**

statewide since 2009

Future for Schools in Rhode Island

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Towards Zero Emission (or net positive) with High Performance Indoor Environment



Where we are Today in RI: New Construction

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**Paul W. Crowley East Bay
Met Center
Net –zero ready**

- High performance building design assistance for integrated energy efficiency in lighting and mechanical systems

**Claiborne Pell
Elementary School**



Where we are Today in RI: Deep Energy Retrofits

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Edgewood Highland School Cranston RI

Deep EE Retrofit including
maximizing air ventilation for
improved indoor air quality



Ongoing Leadership in Rhode Island to Support High Performance Schools



- RIDE's mission towards net zero and improved IAQ, based on recently released energy report card.
- National Grid EE Programs providing technical services, trainings and incentives/financing for high performance schools
- Rhode Island Infrastructure Bank
- Policy & program development with State Energy Office for pathways to Zero Energy Buildings by 2035!



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