

sheehan playground committee

A stylized illustration of a child in a blue shirt and red pants sliding down a red slide. The slide is part of a larger structure with a red roof and a ladder.

Our mission is to create a safe and vibrant space where children, families, and community members can come together to play, learn, and grow.

Recognizing that learning happens both in the classroom and beyond, we aim to build a playground that inspires creativity, fosters connection, and enriches our neighborhood for generations to come.

Why This Initiative?



Highly utilized playground, given its proximity to the soccer and baseball fields



While equipment is inspected for safety, it is well past its prime.

Initiative Scope & Parameters



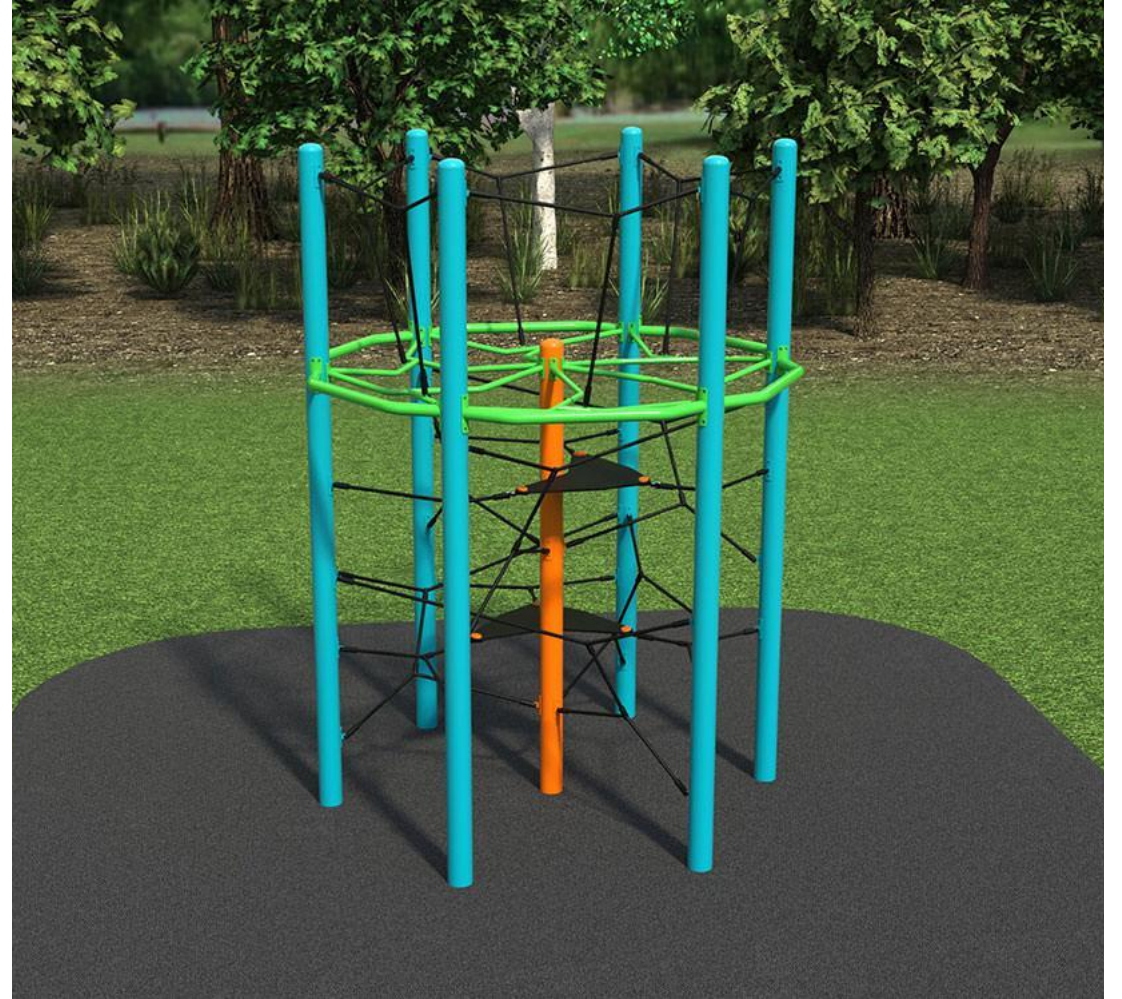
Structures must be able to be removed, stored, and reinstalled if necessary, based on future decisions by the Town regarding the Sheehan property.



The playground will not be resurfaced; woodchips will remain.

Initiative Outcomes

The Sheehan Playground Committee is donating **\$35,000** towards the purchase and installation of a new climbing structure at the Sheehan playground site and seeks School Committee approval for the gift.



Structure Recommendation

- Recommendation to purchase the Burke Nucleus Core Climber was made with input from Sheehan School principal Kristen Evans, school staff, and reputable local playground design company.
- The Sheehan playground does not currently have any similar equipment. We know, from watching our children, that such climbers are popular on other town playgrounds (e.g., School Street, Pine Hill).
- The Nucleus Core Climber is relatively vertical, making installation simpler: other structures do not need to be removed.

Installation

- **Lead time:** 8 weeks
 - If PO issued 9/12, install ~11/20
- **Duration:** 4 days
 - Entire playground closed
- **Timing:** Install as late as Dec, pending ground condition
 - Structure may be purchased now to secure price, then prioritized for 2026 install if necessary





Thank you for your partnership in bringing this project to fruition.