SWANSEA ELEMENTARY

Goals and Objectives

Reconnect to the Community - The school and grounds should be a place of civic pride. The school should be a focal point for the community.

Create Opportunities for Participatory Learning - The school grounds should be an extension of the learning environment, with interactive opportunities in an outdoor setting.

Improve Recreational Opportunities - The school grounds should be a great place to play and have fun. Quality, quantity, and arrangement of play opportunities are critical for optimizing discovery and learning.

Green the School - Fields of asphalt, dirt and pea gravel create the current, negative image for the school. By transforming the school grounds with grass, trees, and landscaped activities a positive image is created for the school and surrounding neighborhood.

Create a Safe Site for Learning, Discovery and Fun - The school grounds should be a place where children can learn and play without the threat of danger.

Celebrate the Cultural and Historic Character - The school grounds should represent the cultural diversity and historic character of the neighborhood.

Context - Swansea Elementary School is located just north of 37th St and Columbine St. and E. 46th St. in the industrial Swansea - Flyway neighborhood in southeast Denver.

Noise Modification - Reduction of site noise pollution, especially from 46th Street and the I-70 viaduct was an influential design consideration which precipitated inclusion of several noise mitigating elements:

Existing Noise Conditions

Proposed Noise Abatement