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## Community Schools as an Essential Facilities Strategy Malone & Jacobson, 2014

School buildings communicate important messages to our children, their families, the community, and the educators and personnel that work there. A school's physical appearance speaks to people about the value our society places on education and on the role of the school in the community. Too often, our urban school facilities send the wrong messages.

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# Designing Safe Schools: Planning and Retrofitting for Safety in Educational Facilities

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- Winston Churchill