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The future of Holualoa Elementary

CONCEPTUAL DESIGN FOR 128-YEAR-OLD SCHOOL UNVEILED

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discuss plans for the future and new possible school designs amid concerns of mold and other potential health hazards at the 128-year-old school.

Holualoa Elementary held a School Community Council meeting to

Randall Tanaka,

assistant superintendent for the Hawaii State Department of Education's Office of Facilities and Operations, outlined plans to rebuild the school in phases, while noting funding would be a big issue in how long it would take for the rehabilitation.



Tanaka

the construction of a three-story upper

A five option conceptual design was offered by Tanaka.

All options include

elementary building, a one-story lower elementary building, the rerouting of school traffic, demolition of old buildings and the rerouting of the easement road that cuts through the campus to residents living mauka of the school.

"That is a top priority for

the safety of students and residents," said Tanaka.

Plans also call for a covered play area and a new campus parking lot.

Phase one would see the construction of a three-story upper elementary building.

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An abortion-rights demonstrator holds a sign during a 2022 rally in Chattanooga, Tenn. AP PHOTO/BEN MARGOT, FILE

States' divisions on abortion widen after Roe overturned

BY KIMBERLEE KRUESI AND GEOFF MULVIHILL
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. — A group of Tennessee Republicans began this year's legislative session hoping to add narrow exceptions to one of the strictest abortion bans in the country, armed with the belief that most people — even in conservative

Tennessee — reject extremes on the issue.

Tennessee law requires doctors to prove in court that they were saving a woman's life when they performed an abortion. Surely, the lawmakers thought, they could win concessions that would allow doctors to use their good faith judgment about when abortion is necessary to save a woman's life. But after a key

anti-abortion group stepped in, the lawmakers had to settle for a stricter legal standard that moves the needle very little.

Like lawmakers in several GOP-led states who started the year thinking about moderating the nation's toughest abortion laws, Tennessee's lawmakers found no

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Recovery underway in tornado-hit Mississippi

AT LEAST 25 KILLED ACROSS STATE

BY MICHAEL GOLDBERG AND EMILY WAGSTER PETTUS
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ROLLING FORK, Miss. — Help began pouring into one of the poorest regions of the U.S. after a deadly tornado tore a path of destruction for more than an hour across a long swath of Mississippi, even as furious new storms Sunday struck across the Deep South.

At least 25 people were killed and dozens of others were injured in Mississippi as the massive storm ripped through more than a half-dozen towns late Friday. A man was also killed in Alabama after his trailer home flipped over several times.

"Everything I can see is in some state of destruction," said Jarrod Kunze, who drove to the hard-hit Mississippi town of Rolling Fork from his home in Alabama, ready to help "in whatever capacity I'm needed."

Kunze was among volunteers working Sunday at a staging area, where bottled water and other supplies were being readied for distribution.

Search and recovery crews resumed the daunting task of digging through flattened and battered homes, commercial buildings and municipal offices after hundreds of people were displaced.

The storm hit so quickly that the sheriff's department in Rolling Fork barely had time to set off sirens



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