

## **Middle School and High School Construction/Renovation Update Progress Report 9-17-12**

**Middle School – Proposed Date for Completion – Late March of 2014. Demolition and Construction to start in June of 2013. Students will be in portables and available High School Classrooms until construction is completed.**

The schematic/floor plan for the new Middle School (grades 6-8) has been approved by the Board on September 10. The new school will connect to the existing cafeteria, gym, locker rooms and music room. It will be a two-story structure running parallel to main street. The two story glass front main entry overlooks the parking lot and opens into a new office area and conference room. There will be 10 new general education classrooms, two new science classrooms, a new library/media center, new technology lab, new resource room for students with special needs, remodeled locker rooms, storage/custodial space, and student lockers located in the halls. There will also be a new staff room and storage areas as well as a centralized technology wiring/server closet serving as the District's main hub for all technology connections. The design team will continue to meet to consider floor coverings, interior and exterior finishes, color schemes, cabinetry, lighting, mechanical systems, room layouts, rain water collection/treatment, and many other features in the upcoming months. We are on track with our planning.

**High School Renovations – Various Stages and Dates for Completion. Most work will start in June of 2013 and be completed by the start of school next fall.**

The High School Design Team continues to review the HVAC system update and is looking at individual classroom units for heating and cooling given the age of the current boiler system. The team is coming close to a decision for replacement bleachers for the gym. The plan is to have the new bleachers installed March of 2013. The team is also getting closer to a decision regarding the major remodel of existing classroom space to create a new science classroom. Discussions continue for the new outdoor bathroom facility and refinements to the grandstand area. The plan is to create a plaza appearance with room for concessions, along with the addition of batting cages and storage near the wrestling building. The project will also address the fire alarm/sprinkler system, roof repairs, seismic upgrades, plumbing repairs and upgrades to the high school along with parking lot repairs and structural repairs to the grandstand. The planning for this project is also on track for timely completion.

**Elementary School Emergency Road from Oaks Way.** This project will be delayed a bit given that we found the Elementary School is on land which is currently zoned commercial-retail instead of commercial-institutional which we need for school sites. The city has no problems with the re-zoning issue but it does take some time. The project will be completed, however, we did not want this zoning issue to cause delays to the other two major projects, so we separated the elementary portion.

Note: We have been working with the city of Banks, Clean Water Service (CWS) and our Fire Department to assure that all codes are being met and that we will be able to secure permits in a timely manner. We appreciate the cooperative and supportive tone from our city officials, CWS, and the fire department.

Please watch this site for further updates. Thank you.

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