



# THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF HOWARDS GROVE

## BUILDING PROJECTS PROGRESS REPORT

July 2025 Update

### WHERE WE'VE BEEN

July marks several exciting accomplishments! Asphalt paving and striping are now complete around the middle school, enhancing accessibility and safety. In the existing high school, new windows, doors and frames have been installed in the band and chorus rooms, providing upgraded spaces for student learning and performance.

Across the campus, furniture has been moved into new areas and summer school is underway with students and staff already making use of the modern classrooms and common spaces. The district office is now fully operational in its new location.

In addition, the gym floor has been stained, bleachers have been installed and the space is actively being used for summer school activities. We are pleased to share that the project passed final inspections and has received the official grant of occupancy.



### WHERE WE ARE

While classrooms and offices are open and in use, work continues on punch list corrections to make sure everything meets the best standards. High school renovations are progressing, with contractors installing new Variable Air Volume (VAV) units, epoxy flooring in the high school locker rooms and renovating both the life skills and

speech rooms in what was formerly the district office.

The trophy and display case is being installed outside the new middle school gym, a finishing touch that will showcase student achievements. The site is also preparing for the installation of brand-new playground equipment, expected within the next two weeks.



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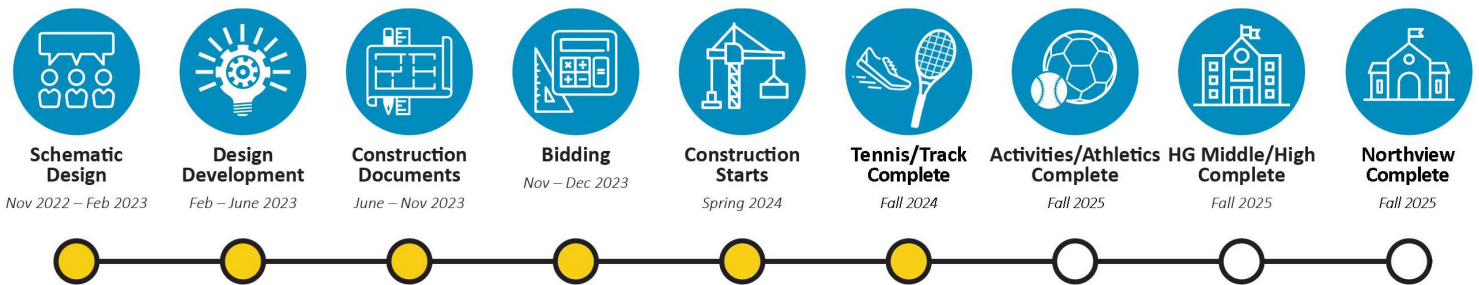
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## WHAT'S NEXT

As we transition toward the start of the new school year, contractors are finishing up remaining tasks and working toward demobilizing from the site. Final site work and preparations will ensure that all spaces are ready to welcome students this fall. We are excited to enter the home stretch and see these upgrades become part of vibrant, modern learning environments at Howards Grove.

Thank you to the entire Howards Grove community for your ongoing support and following along on this journey. Stay tuned for updates as we celebrate the project's completion and get ready for the next chapter in these outstanding new and renovated spaces.



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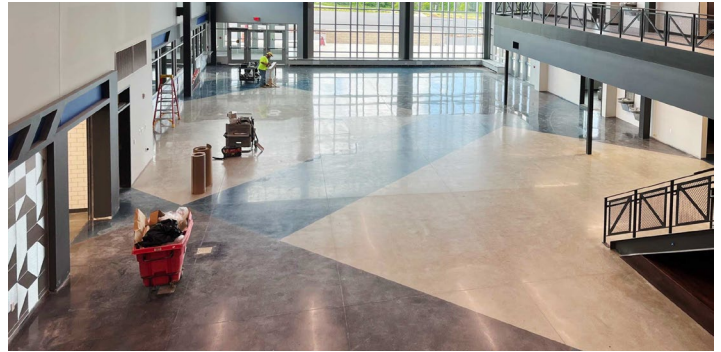
## BUILDING PROJECTS PROGRESS REPORT

Late June 2025 Update

### WHERE WE'VE BEEN

June has brought the project even closer to completion with several major milestones achieved. Polished concrete work is finished in the first-floor corridor and commons, providing a clean and modern look to high-traffic areas. In the gym, flooring and staining are complete, setting the stage for upcoming activities.

Outside, the asphalt drive lane and parking lot have been paved, and concrete work is wrapped up, further enhancing accessibility and safety across the campus.



### WHERE WE ARE

Sitework continues as crews focus on installing playground equipment, striping the parking lots, and performing brick washing to give the building exterior a fresh finish.

Inside the existing high school, new windows are being added to the band and chorus rooms,

accompanied by major demolition and renovation efforts to modernize these learning spaces.

Final punch list corrections are underway throughout the building, and the gym is preparing for the installation of new bleachers.



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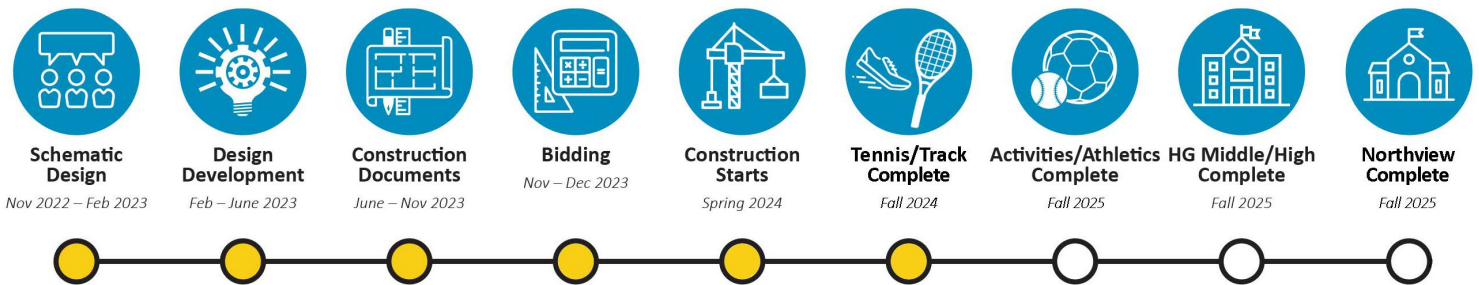




## WHAT'S NEXT

We're in the home stretch. The focus is on finalizing details both around the site and inside the building. Furniture move-ins are transforming classrooms and common areas into ready-to-use spaces. The team is also preparing for final inspections and occupancy, marking the last steps before new and renovated spaces open their doors.

Thank you for your continued support throughout this journey. We are excited to share these final moments with the Howards Grove community and look forward to welcoming students and staff into the new and renovated spaces very soon. Stay tuned for more updates as we celebrate the completion of this impactful project!



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Early June 2025 Update

### WHERE WE'VE BEEN

Momentum continues as we move into June and wrap up several key milestones.

Work on the baseball field is complete, and the softball outfield has been hydro-seeded.

The courtyard is taking shape as well, with concrete poured, landscaping installed, and lighting now in place.

In the building, the second floor of Area E passed its punch list inspection, and touch-ups are underway.



### WHERE WE ARE

Site work is progressing steadily, with crews focused on curb and gutter installation, grading, and utility work.

Inside, first floor concrete grinding and polishing are underway in Area E, while the gym is seeing the

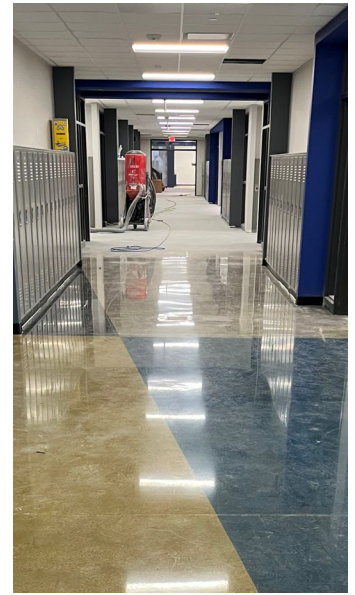
installation of its hardwood floor and final finishes. Final finishes and touch-ups are taking place in the administration offices, while other interior areas are seeing continued progress on finishes and equipment installation.



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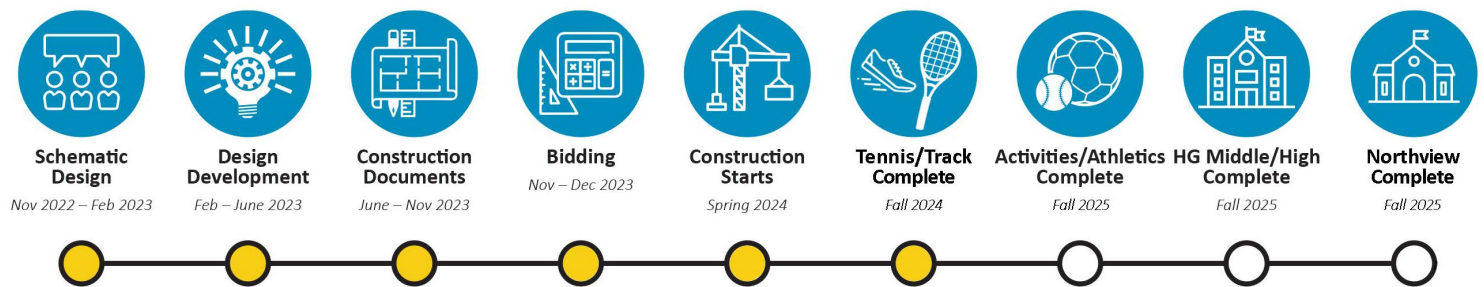


## WHAT'S NEXT

In the weeks ahead, site work will continue with more curb and gutter work, grading, and the start of asphalt paving. The building exterior will receive its finishing touches, and playground equipment installation is planned as weather allows. Inside, the focus will shift to completing interior finishes and commissioning equipment, ensuring all systems are fully operational for the upcoming school year.

We appreciate your continued support as we near the finish line. These final stages bring us one step closer to opening the doors to modern, welcoming spaces for students, staff, and the Howards Grove community.

Stay tuned for more updates in the weeks ahead! Below is a timeline with the schedule for continued progress.



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May 2025 Update

### WHERE WE'VE BEEN

Progress continues on all fronts!

In the last month, epoxy floors have been completed in the kitchen, concessions, and serving areas.

Overhead doors are now installed at the gym entries, and the commons has received its final coat of paint.

Exterior storefront doors are in place, and locker installation is complete in the locker rooms.



### WHERE WE ARE

The team is currently working on sealing concrete floors in the locker rooms and storage areas. Soffit and fascia work is nearly wrapped up at the middle school entry, and polished concrete is making its way from the academic wing toward the commons.

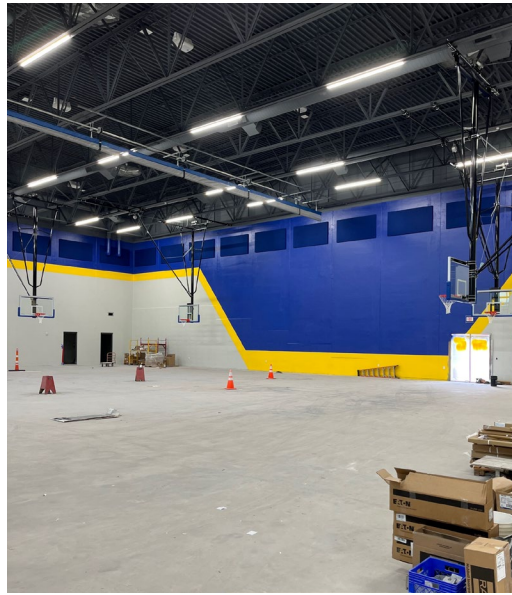
In the gym, equipment installation is underway, and the floor is being prepped for the upcoming gym floor installation. Meanwhile, the courtyard is beginning to take shape as concrete pours are underway.



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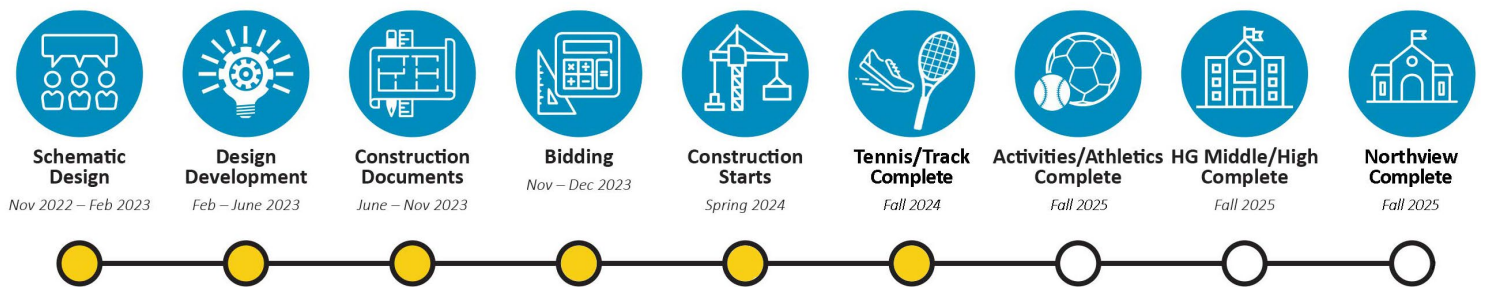
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## WHAT'S NEXT

As weather allows, heavy site work will shift into gear. That includes concrete sidewalks, curb and gutter work, and paving of the asphalt drive lane and parking lot. Playground equipment will also be installed, adding the finishing touches to the exterior. Inside the building, tackable wall coverings will be installed above lockers on both floors—marking the final interior finishes as we approach the punch list phase.

We're grateful for the continued support and enthusiasm of the Howards Grove community as we enter the final stages of this exciting project—it has been invaluable throughout the design and construction process. With substantial progress both inside and out, we remain on track to welcome students and staff into modern, functional spaces that support learning and growth. Stay tuned for more updates as we move closer to completion. Below is a timeline with the schedule for continued progress.



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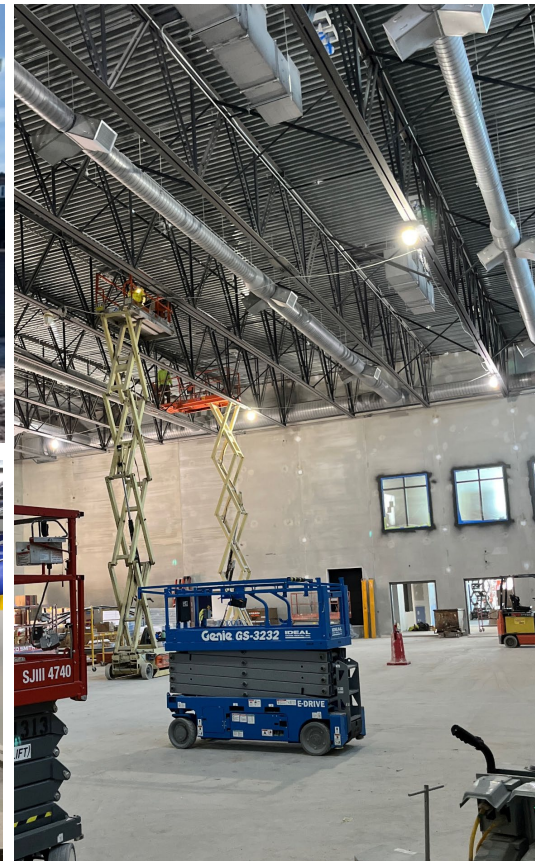
April 2025 Update

### WHERE WE'VE BEEN

We've achieved several key milestones in the past month! Flooring installation is now complete on the 2nd floor of the academic wing and has moved down to the first floor. We've also established power on the first floor of the academic wing.

The gym and locker rooms have been painted. In the administrative office, casework, doors, frames, and hardware are all complete.

We are now 100% complete with hanging drywall throughout the new construction. Additionally, lockers have been installed in the corridors.



### WHERE WE ARE

Final Mechanical, Electrical, and Plumbing (MEP) fixtures are being installed in the commons area. Paint is underway in the commons area.

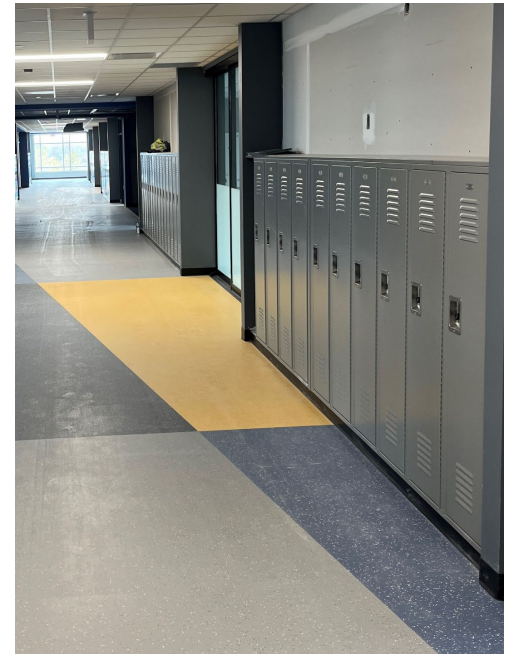
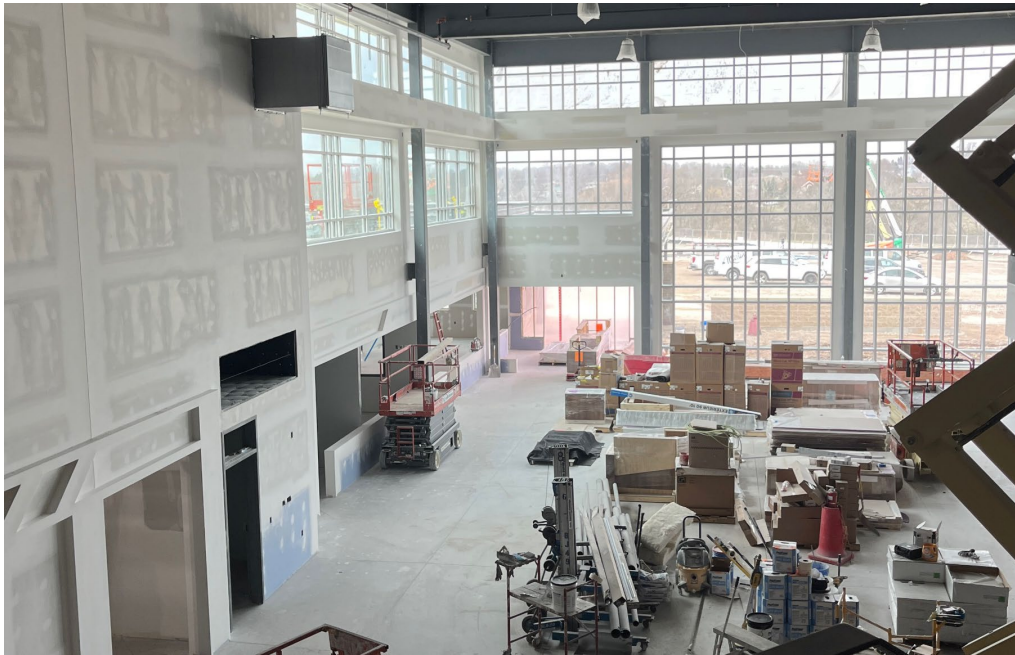
Epoxy flooring is being installed in the kitchen, and polished concrete work is underway in the commons and on the first floor. Overhead door installation is in progress at the gym entry doors.



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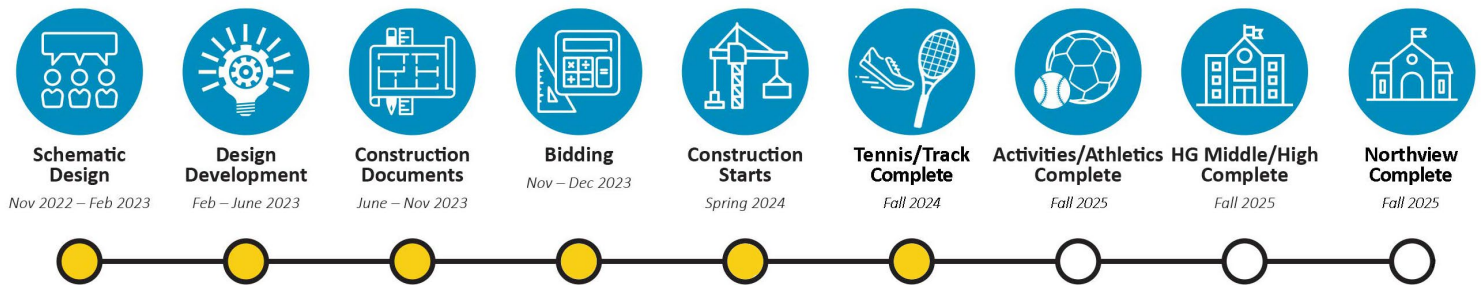
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## WHAT'S NEXT

As we look ahead, final construction cleaning is set to begin in early May. Preparations for final site work are underway, with driveway, sidewalks, parking lot, and playground equipment installations slotted to commence in early May. Landscaping work at the athletic fields will also begin as soon as the weather allows.

The future of learning at Howards Grove is taking shape before our eyes! Thank you for your incredible support as we can't wait to see what's next! Please continue to follow along as we continue moving forward. Below is a timeline with the schedule for continued progress.



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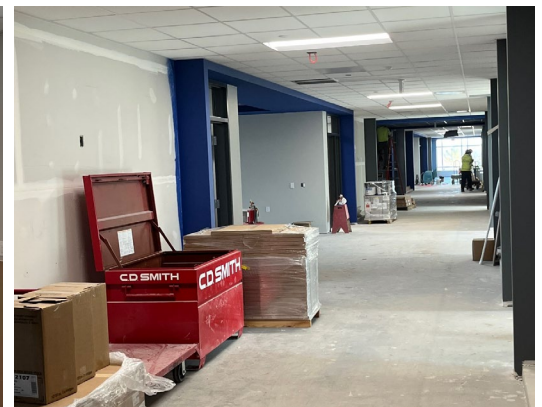
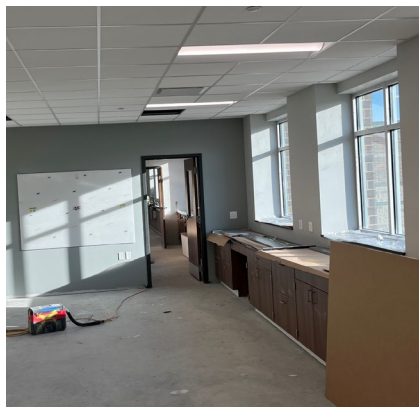
## BUILDING PROJECTS PROGRESS REPORT

March 2025 Update

### WHERE WE'VE BEEN

The past month has been marked by significant milestones across the project. Window installation and masonry work are now complete on the exterior of the new middle school.

Inside, the academic wing has achieved substantial completion, with drywall, paint, tile, casework, ceiling tile, and door installations all finalized. We have established power on the second floor of the academic wing, using this capability to expedite the final stages of finishing work in that area.



### WHERE WE ARE

On the second floor of the academic wing, flooring installation is currently underway. Countertops, whiteboards, and tack boards are being installed throughout the second floor, and we are finalizing the Mechanical, Electrical, and Plumbing (MEP) finishes.

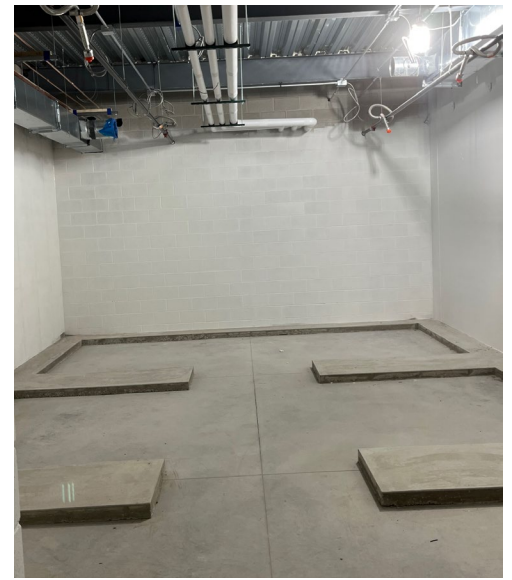
In the administration office, painters have recently completed their work, and ceiling grid installation is now in progress. Over by the gym, locker rooms are being painted this week in preparation for locker installation early next month. In the gym, extensive MEP rough-in work continues in anticipation of painting activities at the end of the month.



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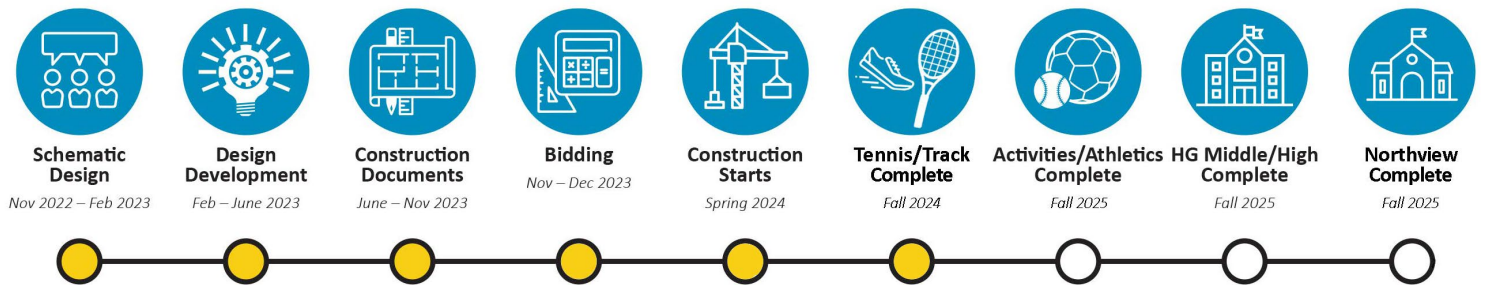
## WHAT'S NEXT

Fiber cement panels are scheduled for delivery to the courtyard and will be installed as soon as they arrive. Over spring break, the existing high school entrance will be upgraded with the installation of new signage and a canopy. Roofers will return during this period to complete the coping.

Within the next month, the academic wing will increasingly resemble a finished space. Flooring installation is expected to be complete by mid-April, with locker installation commencing

early next month. Kitchen equipment installation will be getting underway. Drywall installation is in progress in the commons area, and we anticipate full completion within the next 4-6 weeks.

We are grateful to the community for their continued support and interest in this impactful project. Continue to follow our updates as we build the future of education, celebrating the progress of construction activities and modern learning spaces here in Howards Grove!



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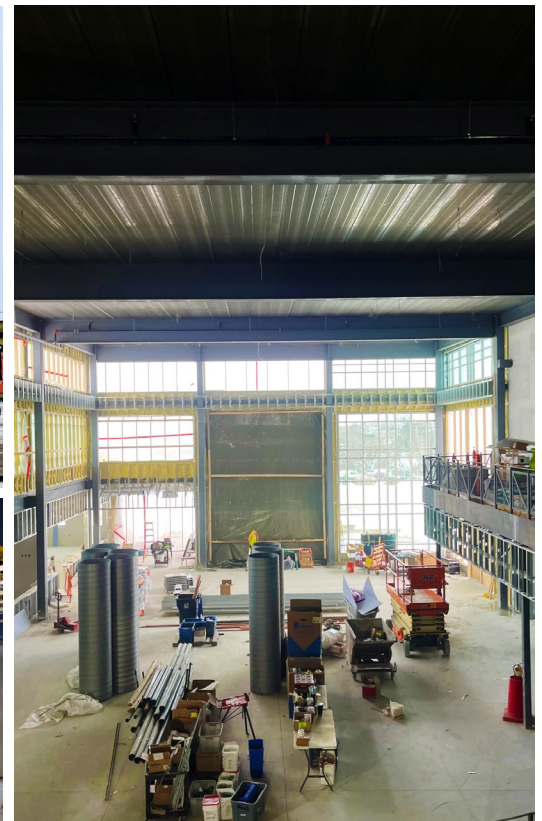
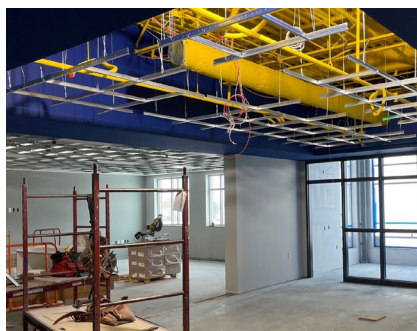
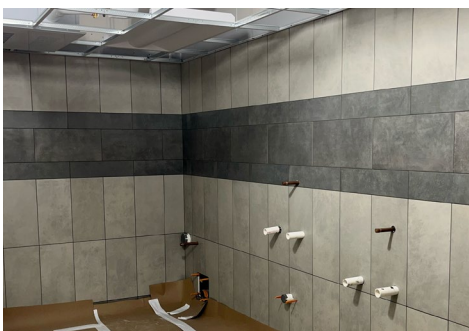
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February 2025 Update

### WHERE WE'VE BEEN

This past month has seen remarkable progress both inside and out! The courtyard brick and window installation is now complete, with masons on the final stretch of brickwork at the new fitness center and corridor connecting to the existing high school.

The academic wing has made tremendous strides, with drywall finishing complete on the 2nd floor and fully hung on the 1st floor, ready for finishers. The first coat of paint now adorns the classrooms and hallways, while the four bathrooms boast completed tile floors and walls.



### WHERE WE ARE

Exterior work continues at full steam, with masons nearing completion and glazers set to wrap up window installation this month. We're eagerly anticipating the start of metal and fiber-cement panel installation in the coming weeks, which will further enhance the building's appearance.

Inside, the 2nd floor of the academic wing is

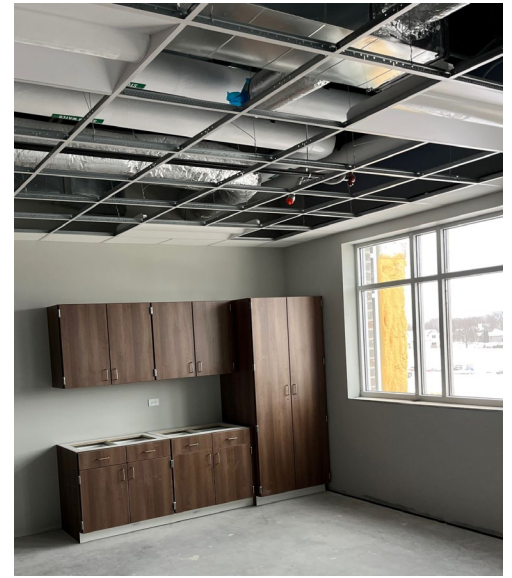
a hub of activity as casework and MEP finishes get underway, bringing classrooms to life. The new district office and kitchen area are seeing rapid progress with drywall installation, paving the way for subsequent finishes. In the gym area, MEP overhead work is concluding, and masonry walls in the locker room are nearing completion, setting the stage for the next phase of finishes.



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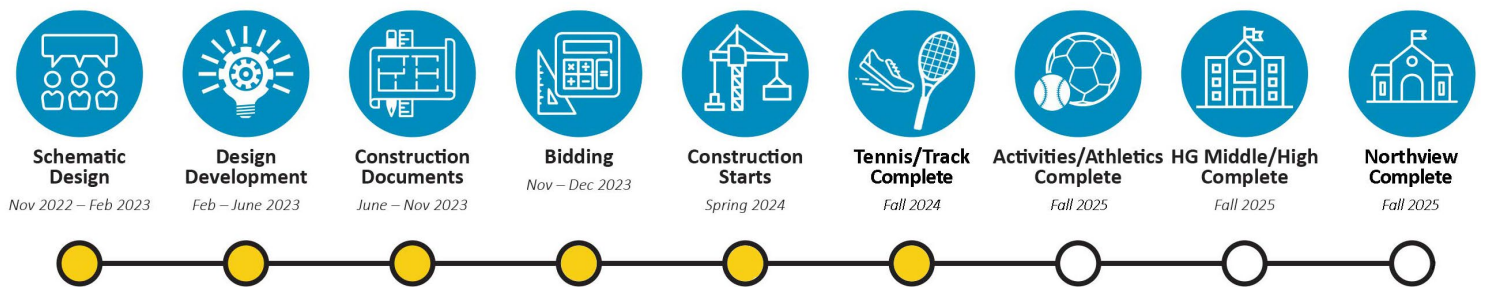
## WHAT'S NEXT

The coming months will see a series of finishing touches throughout the building. Classrooms will soon be illuminated with newly installed light fixtures, adorned with Acoustical Ceiling Tile (ACT) ceilings, and outfitted with completed casework, interior glazing, and doors.

As we move past the coldest part of winter, our construction team is gearing up for spring, ready to tackle asphalt laying,

site concrete work, and various site utilities as soon as the weather permits.

The future of learning is taking shape before our eyes! Stay tuned for our next update as we continue to build the future of education for our community's brightest minds, creating a space where innovation and education will thrive for generations to come.



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January 2025 Update

### WHERE WE'VE BEEN

As we kicked off the new year, our focus remained on preparing for the winter months ahead. The team continued their efforts to temporarily enclose the building, ensuring that finish work could proceed uninterrupted inside.

In the academic wing, interior framers wrapped up their work and shifted their attention to hanging and finishing drywall. When weather permitted, roofers were on site, adhering the remaining roofing materials to ensure the building was watertight from above, protecting against any potential water intrusion from melting snow.



### WHERE WE ARE

If you've driven by the site recently, you've likely noticed the impressive progress on the building's exterior. Brick veneer and window installation are moving full steam ahead, working north to south along the west elevation. The courtyard is nearing completion, with brick and window installation almost finished. Once the fiber-cement panels are in place, the courtyard exterior will be 100% complete!

Inside, the second floor of the academic wing is buzzing with energy and activity. Drywall finishing is in full swing, painting has begun, and tile is being installed in the bathrooms. The commons area has seen the installation of stairs and decorative handrails, while framing is nearly complete in the new district office area. As the drywall crew finishes up in the academic wing, they'll move right into the district office area, with other finish trades following closely behind.

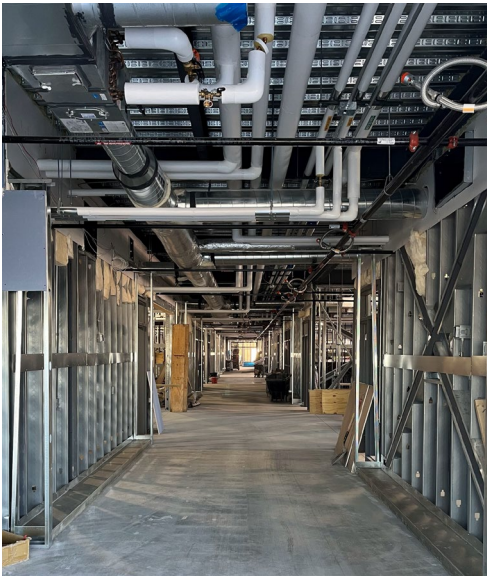


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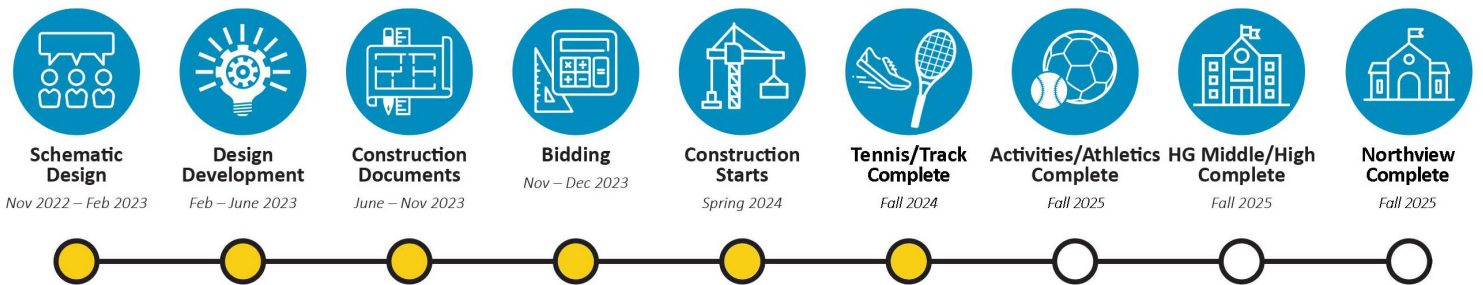


## WHAT'S NEXT

The exciting part is upon us - interior finishes! Drywall finishers are moving swiftly through the academic wing, followed by painters and ceiling installers. Soon after rooms are painted and ceiling tiles are in place, casework will arrive and installation will begin. MEP contractors continue to complete their rough-ins prior to drywall installation in the district office and the new art rooms on the north side of the gym.

On the exterior, brick veneer and window installation will continue. In the near future, we'll see the arrival and installation of metal and fiber-cement panels, further enhancing the building's appearance.

Stay tuned for our next update, where we'll reveal even more progress and continue building excitement about a project that's about so much more than construction —it's about creating a space where our community's future will learn, grow, and thrive!



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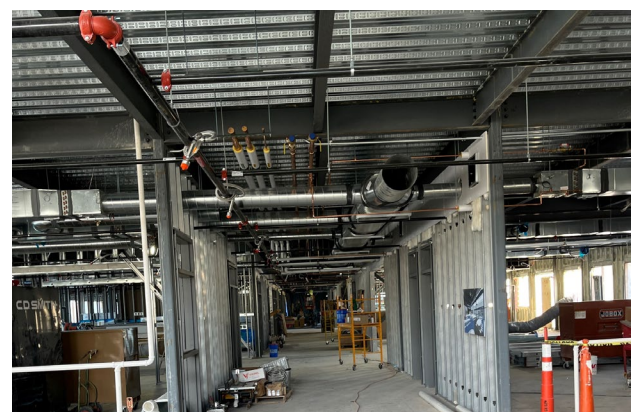
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The past month has seen significant milestones! On November 27th, C.D. Smith completed the final concrete pour inside the building, marking a fantastic achievement as we brace ourselves for colder weather. In anticipation of winter, the team took proactive measures throughout November to prepare the building for the coming months.

Temporary window enclosures, doors, and other barriers were installed to maximize the efficiency of temporary heaters. These precautions will allow work to continue uninterrupted during winter, as many construction materials have strict weather/temperature requirements. In the academic wing, MEP (Mechanical, Electrical, and Plumbing) work is wrapping up nicely, and we're just about ready to start hanging drywall in the next couple of days.



## WHERE WE ARE

On the outside of the building, things are really coming together! The masons are making great strides with the brick veneer, and every day, the building looks more and more impressive. Window installation is also underway, starting on the north side of the academic wing and moving southward towards the commons area. If you're driving along Audubon Rd, keep an

eye out for those shiny new windows popping up! They're not only enhancing the building's appearance but also playing an important role in enclosing the structure.

Inside, we're gearing up to hang drywall soon, with finishes set to follow right behind. MEP work continues in the commons area, new district office, and gym as our crews keep the momentum with a systematic, follow-the-leader approach to new parts of the building.



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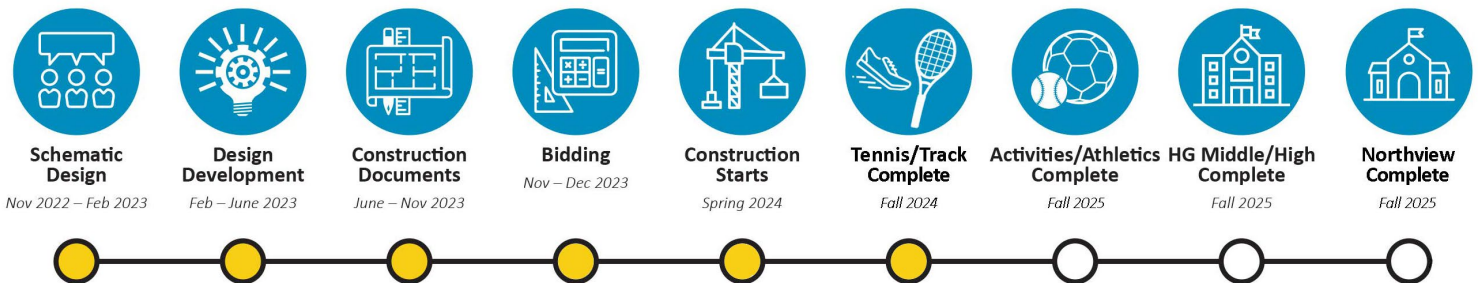


## WHAT'S NEXT

As we wrap up 2024 and head into 2025, the project site will be buzzing with activity! Once we hang and finish the drywall, painters will start next, followed by ceiling installation, flooring, tile work, cabinets, and casework. We've got some important deliveries lined up, including interior doors, hardware, and other key components that will keep everything on track.

MEP rough-in work will continue in the commons and gym areas, while masons keep laying brick outside. It's shaping up to be an exciting month as we push forward toward our goals, with visible progress towards the realization of the new facilities!

Stay tuned for our next update, where we'll reveal even more exciting progress on your future-ready learning spaces!



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## BUILDING PROJECTS PROGRESS REPORT

November 2024 Update

### WHERE WE'VE BEEN

Significant progress has been made since the last update. The high school addition interior is complete and ready for occupancy. After a busy month involving multiple finish trades working in and out of the addition, it is officially finished, allowing the school to begin the move-in process.

At the middle school, the education wing has a fully functional roofing system installed. Foundation work for the new middle school corridor, which will connect to the existing high school near the Performing Arts Center, has been completed.

Outside, the athletic fields have seen notable improvements, with new infield mixes installed for both the baseball and softball fields. The field is on track to be ready for play next spring.



### WHERE WE ARE

At the middle school addition, MEP (Mechanical, Electrical, and Plumbing) work is in full swing, with contractors focusing on the rough-in stage. In the academic wing, HVAC contractors are making significant progress with ductwork and hot/cold water lines, while plumbers are advancing with piping installations and electricians are running conduit above the ceiling.

Interior framing is nearing completion, and once the window openings are fully enclosed, drywall installation will follow shortly. In preparation for the winter months, C.D. Smith is constructing temporary enclosures to maintain adequate heat inside the building, ensuring suitable working conditions during the cold season.



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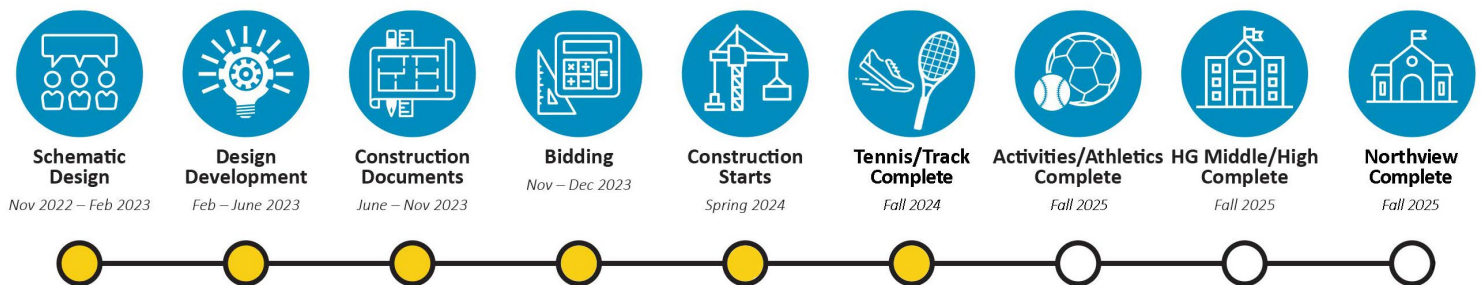


## WHAT'S NEXT

The coming weeks will see a dramatic transformation of the building's exterior. The façade will transition from its current yellow exterior to a finished product featuring brick, metal panels, and fiber cement. Masons have already begun work on the north end of the addition near the district office and plan to

capitalize on the favorable weather conditions to make substantial progress on the exterior.

Inside, MEP work will start to conclude in the academic wing, with contractors moving their focus to the commons area and new district office. Following closely behind, finish trades will commence work on drywall, paint, and ceiling grid installations.



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## BUILDING PROJECTS PROGRESS REPORT

October 2024 Update

### WHERE WE'VE BEEN

Over the past month, significant progress has been made at the high school and the middle school. The high school addition is now fully watertight and nearing completion. All windows have been installed and caulked, completing the last key installation to prevent water intrusion. Additionally, the eight entry vestibule doors near the existing high school entrance have been replaced with modern anodized aluminum door frames and new glass.

At the middle school, exterior sheathing at the north side of the addition has been completed, and clips have been installed by the masons in preparation for the application of spray foam insulation.



### WHERE WE ARE

The high school's new office space is nearing completion, with only the final finishing touches remaining before it is ready for turning over at the end of October! Meanwhile, spray foam insulation application is wrapping up at the middle school, and the masons are preparing to begin work on the brick façade.

Inside the middle school addition, MEP rough-in work continues, and interior framers are making steady progress on the stud walls. Near the Performing Arts Center, masons are constructing CMU (concrete masonry unit) structural walls to connect the middle school second-floor corridor to the existing high school.

Outside, the athletic fields continue to be regularly watered and monitored to promote grass growth during the late fall season.



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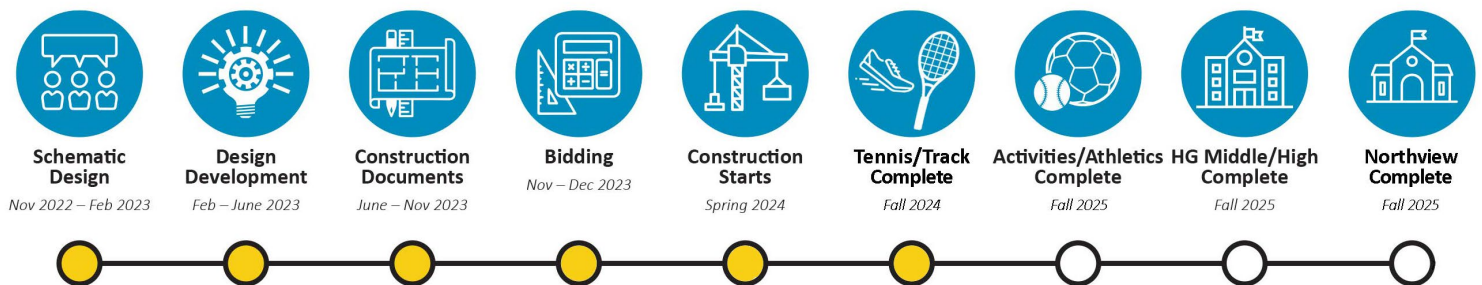


## WHAT'S NEXT

At the end of October, the high school addition will be officially turned over to the school district. Construction will be complete, and staff members will begin the process of moving into their new office space. Once the existing high school office area is vacated, demolition will begin, and work will start on the new

Maker Space area, which will provide additional, flexible space for the school's needs.

With winter fast approaching, temporary enclosures will be built at the window openings at the middle school to ensure the building remains at an adequate temperature for ongoing interior work through the cold months.



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## BUILDING PROJECTS PROGRESS REPORT

September 2024 Update

### WHERE WE'VE BEEN

Before the school year kicked off, several renovations at the existing high school were completed, including updates to the Library Media Center (LMC), LMC Classroom, and the new conference space adjacent to the library. These areas now feature fresh wall and soffit paint, new doors, frames, windows, and a brand-new reception desk.

On the high school addition, the roofing process is officially done, and with windows set to be installed in the next couple of weeks, the building will soon be fully watertight. At the middle school, the precast panels for the new gym are up—43 of the 44 panels were set in just one week! If you notice an open space, it has been left to accommodate construction traffic and trades needing access to the gym area.



### WHERE WE ARE

Progress is steady at the high school addition with interior framing and drywall in full swing, and MEP (mechanical, electrical, plumbing) trades wrapping up their rough-in work through steel stud walls and above the ceilings. Windows are scheduled for installation soon, and the exterior façade will be completed with fiber-cement siding to follow.

At the middle school, crews are working from North to South, making headway with concrete slab on grade, deck pours, and continued steel erection. Construction is a game of following the leader so as steel and concrete work progresses, cold-formed metal framing will follow, soon leading to exterior sheathing and the start of the building's façade. Outside, the new soccer game field, practice football field, and practice soccer field have been seeded, and with regular watering, we'll start to see grass germinate by next spring.



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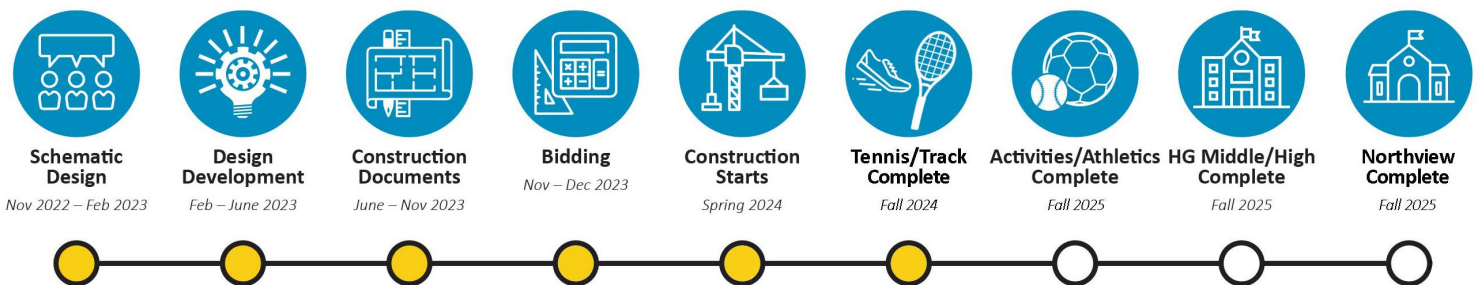




## WHAT'S NEXT

In the coming month, the high school addition will be drywalled, taped, finished, and painted. MEP finishes, casework, and furniture will also be moved in, ready for turnover by late October. At the middle school, steel work will wrap up shortly,

and exterior construction will pick up with cold-formed metal framing and sheathing. Roofing preparations on the north side of the middle school addition are underway, which is key for making the building watertight, allowing interior work to begin.



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## BUILDING PROJECTS PROGRESS REPORT

September 2024 Update

### WHERE WE'VE BEEN

Throughout August, the construction team has been hard at work, making significant progress on the new high school addition. Steel erection, cold-formed metal framing, and sheathing have all been completed, allowing the masons to begin work on the exterior façade. The structure is well on its way to becoming watertight, with roof and window installations on the horizon. The reroofing of the high school gym was also successfully completed in early August.

We celebrated a major milestone for the new middle school with the first concrete deck pour on the north end of the addition. Steel erection is continuing at full speed, ensuring that we stay on schedule. Meanwhile, the existing track surface has been stripped, and the installation of the new track surface is already underway. At the new athletic fields, rough grading has been completed, site utilities are in place, and power has been run underground for future lighting and scoreboards.



### WHERE WE ARE

The momentum continues at the middle school addition, where steel erection is in full swing. The team is finalizing the last bit of foundation concrete work on the south side of the gym, setting the stage for what's to come. MEP contractors are busy with underground work, making sure everything is ready for the upcoming concrete slab on grade pour.

At the high school addition, the roofing process has just begun. Once the roof is in place, the building will be ready for spray foam insulation on the exterior and fireproofing on the interior. As soon as the spray foam is complete, the exterior façade will start to take shape, giving the building a new look!



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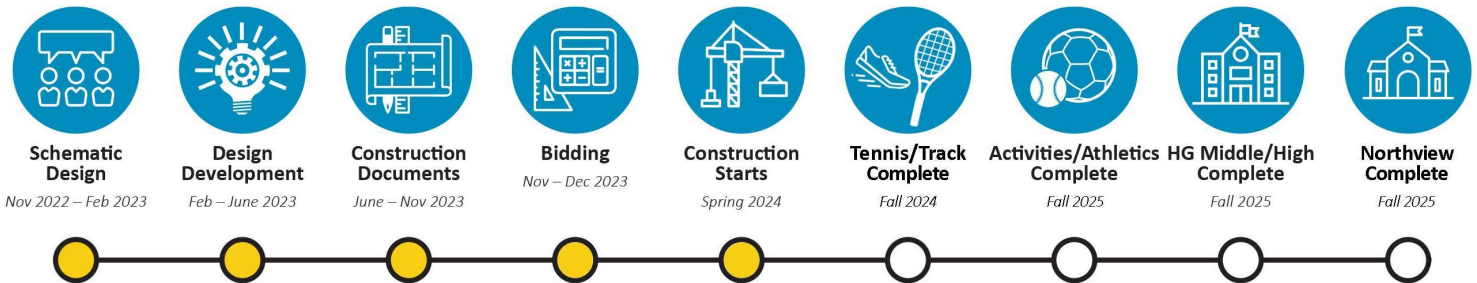




## WHAT'S NEXT

Looking ahead to September, we're gearing up for the delivery of precast wall panels. Once these panels arrive, they will be erected in just a couple of weeks, bringing the new gym to life. Over the next few weeks, significant progress will also

be made on the new softball, soccer, and practice football fields. Preparations for seeding are underway, and we're excited to see the new batting cage, scoreboards, foul poles, dugouts, and concrete pad for the bleachers being installed soon.



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## BUILDING PROJECTS PROGRESS REPORT

August 2024 Update

### WHERE WE'VE BEEN

The busy summer has continued through June and July, and the construction team is making great headway.

Inside the existing high school, mechanical, electrical, and plumbing (MEP) contractors have completed their overhead work in the athletic hallway, and the ceiling is set to be replaced in the coming weeks to prepare for school being back in session.

Outside, all the concrete is poured for the new high school office foundation, and the ironworkers are wrapping up steel erection.

The tennis courts have been paved, and crews are now waiting for the 30-day cure time before final surfacing can begin.



### WHERE WE ARE

Steel erection is nearing completion at the high school addition and is fully underway at the middle school.

Inside the building, renovation work in the Library Media Center (LMC)

continues and is on track to finish in early August, so students can enjoy the renovated space this upcoming school year.

Window replacements have also begun and are expected to wrap up the third week of July.



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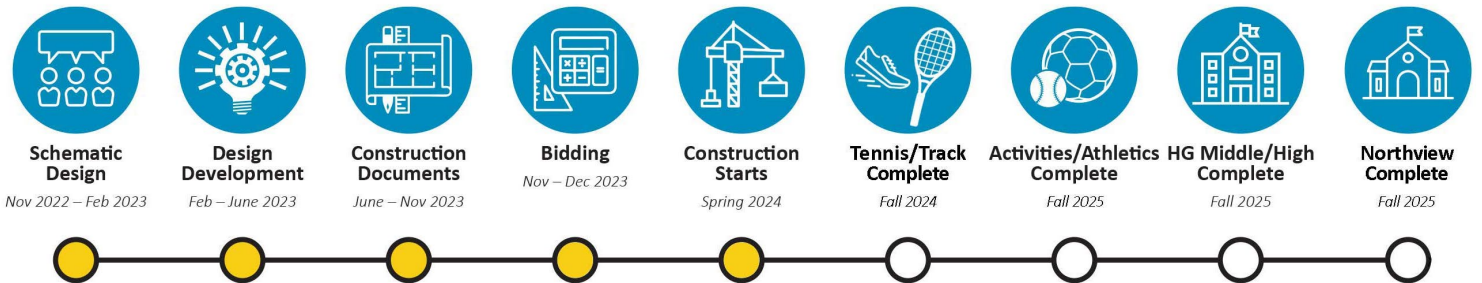
## WHAT'S NEXT

With the school year fast approaching, contractors are making their final pushes to complete all interior work this summer.

This includes the addition of multiple Variable Air Volume (VAV) systems, water lines for the middle school addition, and fire protection lines for the high school addition.

At the tennis court, fencing will soon be installed, and the court will be surfaced shortly thereafter to prepare for competition this fall. The track will also be stripped and resurfaced before the first football game of the season.

At the middle school addition, concrete will continue to be poured daily, and steel erection will proceed as we plan for building envelope work to begin. Exciting times ahead!



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July 2024 Update

### WHERE WE'VE BEEN

It's been a busy month with numerous activities taking place all over the jobsite. With the help of excavation, fire protection, and plumbing contractors, C.D. Smith project team crews successfully installed the new fire tank for the middle and high school. This 25,000-gallon tank was installed nearly 20 feet below grade, ensuring a robust fire safety system for the new buildings.

At the middle school addition, micro piles were drilled into the existing high school foundation to ensure structural integrity as we begin to tie into the existing structure.

The demolition of the old tennis courts was completed, involving the removal of the old surface, asphalt, fencing, and surrounding landscaping.



### WHERE WE ARE

C.D. Smith's crew is wrapping up the footings and foundation walls in Area E of the middle school addition and moving into Area F.

They have also begun demolishing the current high school entrance into the cafeteria, preparing for the new high school addition scheduled for this summer into the fall.

The tennis courts are being graded, and asphalt paving is set to occur within the coming weeks.



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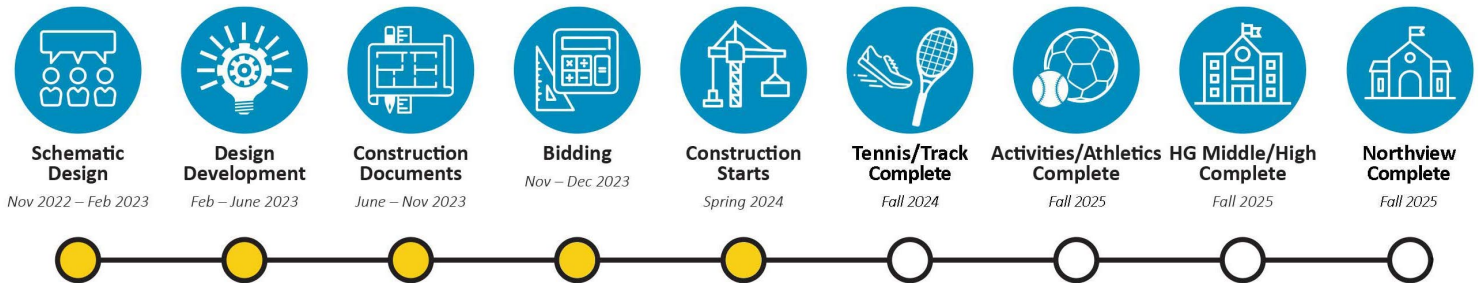




## WHAT'S NEXT

July will be another busy month across the site, with work taking place in various areas and multiple phases of construction. Structural steel erection in Area E will commence before the end of the month, allowing the building to start growing vertically. Once the new well installation is complete, excavation and footing work will begin at the high school addition.

Inside the school, crews will start removing and replacing windows in the existing openings with new, updated ones. Additionally, ceiling tiles are being removed for miscellaneous overhead MEP (Mechanical, Electrical, and Plumbing) work that will occur throughout the summer.



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June 2024 Update

### WHERE WE'VE BEEN

We hosted a groundbreaking celebration on Thursday, May 16th!

Almost all site demolition efforts have been wrapped up. The old softball field has been demolished, and the lights have been properly disconnected, removed, and are awaiting their new home at the new softball field.

All site utilities have been relocated and removed from the new footprint of the middle school addition.

Excavation crews have graded the new south drive lane for the Middle School and have made a significant start on grading the future parking lot.



### WHERE WE ARE

The C.D. Smith crew has officially begun work on the footings and foundations on the north side of the middle school addition. Notably, the first concrete pour coincided with the groundbreaking ceremony on May 16th. A crew of six laborers and ironworkers from C.D. Smith

is currently on-site and responsible for forming the new foundation, tying rebar and pouring concrete.

Excavation crews are diligently clearing and preparing the site for the new middle school addition. Their efforts extend to grading the future drive lane, parking lot and playground for the middle school. The excavated soil is being strategically reused to raise the grade of the new soccer field and practice football field.



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## WHAT'S NEXT

### Demolition and Tennis Court Renovation

Demolition of the existing tennis courts is scheduled to begin on May 22nd. The courts will be demolished, resurfaced with new asphalt and pavement and outfitted with new fencing. This project is anticipated for completion by August 13th, in time for the first day of fall practice.

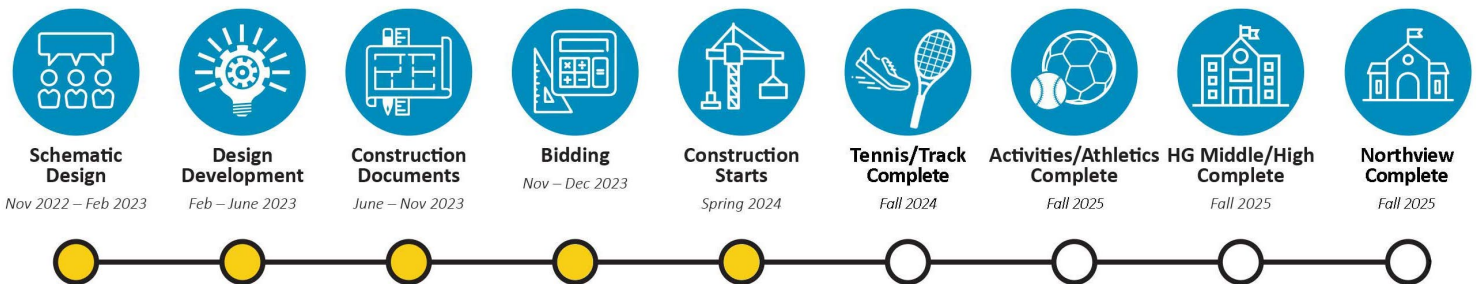
### High School Addition

The month of June will see a significant increase in on-site

personnel as work commences on the high school addition. This portion of the project is scheduled to begin on the Monday following school dismissal, June 10th. C.D. Smith's crew will be focusing on footings, foundations, backfill, and even masonry throughout the month.

### Middle School Addition

Concrete deliveries will become a frequent sight at the middle school addition as C.D. Smith's crew progresses southward with construction. Steel erection is planned for later in June, marking an exciting milestone as the building begins to take shape.



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May 2024 Update

### WHERE WE'VE BEEN

Construction is progressing rapidly at the site of the new Middle School as C.D. Smith and contractors have mobilized equipment and materials.

Throughout the month of April, the landscape around the High School has undergone major changes. Excavation crews have been diligently working to clear and prepare the site for the new addition, driveway, and site amenities.

Site utilities such as telephone, fiber optic and power were relocated from the new Middle School footprint in preparation for footings and foundations to begin in May.



### WHERE WE ARE

Steel reinforcing has been delivered to the site, which is a key component for structural concrete. The delivery of this material marks the beginning of footing and foundation work for the new Middle School.

Concrete crews are starting their work in the education wing nearest the district office and will work their way around the building, ending at the new gymnasium.

Meanwhile, excavation crews will continue their work on the site by hauling soil from areas with a surplus to areas needing fill.



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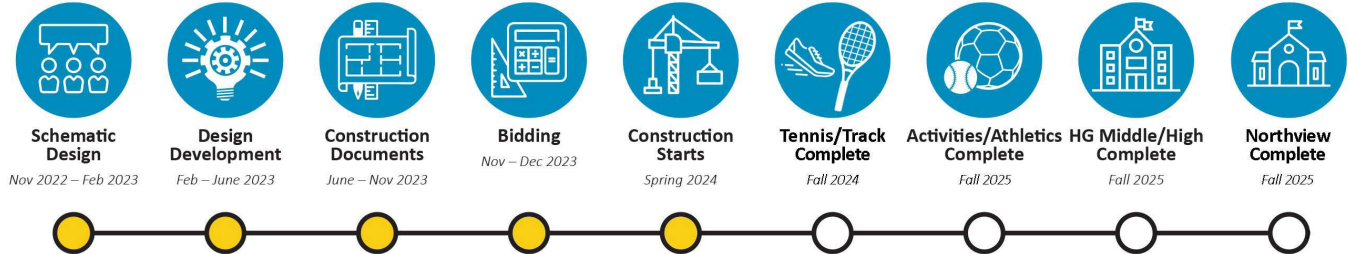
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## WHAT'S NEXT

The month of May will see an increased number of construction crews on-site as the footing and foundation work continues over the next few months. As concrete work progresses, the plumbing contractor will mobilize to install underground piping, which will eventually provide storm and sanitary services for the building.

Sitework will continue throughout May in preparation for the summer athletic projects, which include regrading the baseball field and resurfacing the existing track.

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## Where We've Been

Last month, we reported the exciting news of favorable bidding results. C.D. Smith is now finalizing contractor selections and logistics for a seamless construction launch.



## Where We Are

Favorable bid results will translate into maximizing the project's impact on modern learning environments for students and the overall value delivered to the School District of Howards Grove. As bids are finalized we are now working to establish the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP), which will ensure the project cannot exceed our stated amount during construction.

Additionally, we've prioritized clear communications to establish and meet schedules for the Middle and High School additions, existing building renovations and athletic fields' construction.

## What's Next

We'll be hosting a groundbreaking ceremony to officially kick off construction in the coming weeks. The exact date is still yet to be determined, but stay tuned for further details!

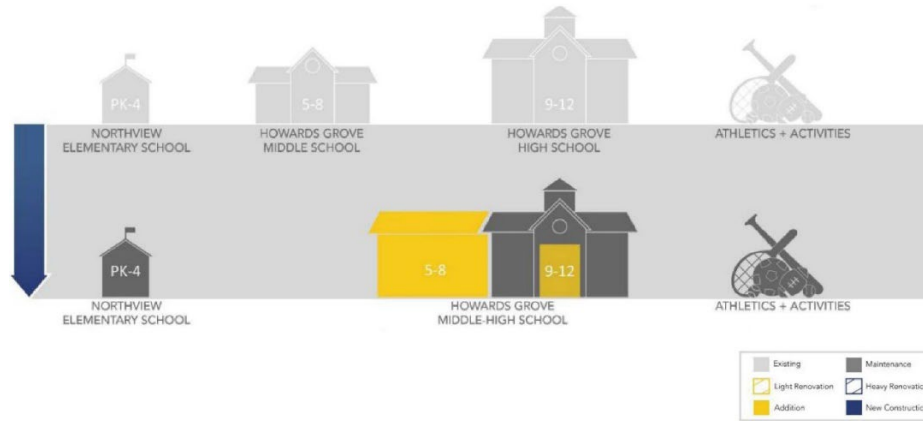
Here's a quick rundown of key milestones as we prepare for construction mobilization:

- **Construction Kickoff:** April 2024 (Middle School Addition), June 2024 (High School Addition & Renovations), June 2024 (Northview Elementary, Phase II)
- **Project Phases:**
  - Middle School Addition: Construction through June 2025
  - High School: New entryway & windows (June 2024), followed by interior renovations (systems, special education spaces) by 2025/26 school year.
  - Northview Renovations: Summer of 2025, complete by 2025/26 school year.
- **Athletic Fields:** Groundwork starts April 2024, Track & Tennis courts ready by Fall 2024, Remaining fields seeded by November 2024 (usable Fall 2025).

We remain committed to keeping everyone informed throughout the construction process, and we look forward to sharing updates highlighting key milestones and showcasing the exciting transformation of our schools!

## Where We've Been

Following the successful passage of our capital referendum in November 2022, we've been hard at work crafting the building solutions. The project team has just finished crafting comprehensive construction documents for district-wide facilities improvements following a visioning and design period.



The keystone project of this referendum will be a building addition to the High School to serve as the New Middle School. Other aspects of the referendum will include a secure entrance addition to the existing High School with office spaces, systems and safety improvements to the existing high school and elementary school, and exterior athletic improvements on the new Middle/High School grounds.

## Where We Are.

With the design and planning stages complete, construction at the High School site is set to begin this spring. Northview received most of its site safety improvements last summer, and interior improvements for systems, safety, exterior envelope efficiency, accessibility, and improved classroom environments will take place over the summer of 2025. For the new Middle School addition, C.D. Smith is mobilizing in April for initial earthwork, with construction running through June 2025. The High School addition and renovations will kick off in June 2024, focusing on the new entry and high school envelope (window replacements) first, followed by renovations for systems, improved Special Education spaces, and other functional interior improvements. This strategic phasing ensures minimal disruption to ongoing school activities while delivering completed spaces by the start of the 2025/2026 school year.

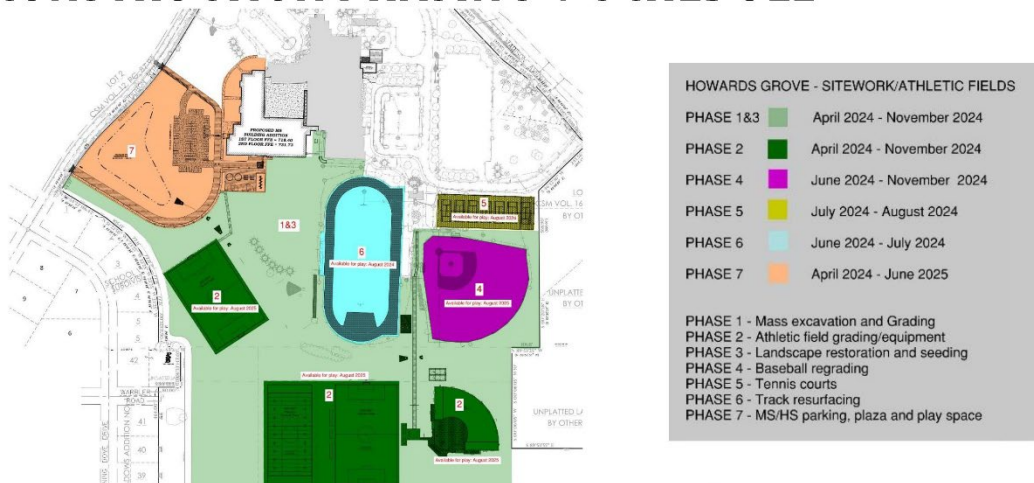


# CONSTRUCTION PHASING + SCHEDULE

- **Middle School Addition**
  - Mobilization: April 2024
  - District Move-In: July 2025
- **High School Addition**
  - Mobilization: June 2024
  - Structure Complete: September 2024
  - District Move-In: November 2024
- **Northview Elementary**
  - Teacher Move-Out: June 2025
  - Construction Begins: June 2025
  - Construction Complete: August 2025

Looking beyond individual structures, athletic field improvements are also on track. Mobilization starts in April, with track and tennis courts ready for fall 2024 competition. The remaining fields will be seeded by November 2024 and prepped for competition in fall 2025.

# CONSTRUCTION PHASING + SCHEDULE



## Where We're Going

With favorable bidding results in hand, the project team is diligently finalizing logistics for a smooth construction kickoff. C.D. Smith, our chosen construction manager, has extensive experience managing complex projects and is committed to minimizing disruptions to the surrounding community. Clear communication and coordinated planning are at the forefront, ensuring construction activities adhere to established schedules and safety protocols.