

Post Referendum Updates

Shortly after the referendum passed in November the District's Core Planning Team, consisting of administrative and maintenance staff, have been meeting twice a month with representatives from Bray Architects and JP Cullen. Much of the work to date has been designing the floor plans for Community Elementary School's Primary and Intermediate buildings, the high school commons area, counseling office, administrative office, and the science and math classrooms. Most of this work is complete and we are beginning to review three dimensional renderings of all the new and renovated spaces.

Throughout the design process our staff have been involved in the planning process by serving on specialized subcommittees which examined specific projects such as the high school commons area, science labs, elementary classrooms, and the elementary library. In the near future subcommittees will also assist in the selection of furniture and equipment.

In addition to subcommittee work, staff have provided input through site visits to Little Prairie Primary School in East Troy and Muskego Lakes Middle School. The tours provided our staff an opportunity to view new learning spaces similar to those in our plan designs for the Primary and Intermediate buildings.

Recently the City Planning Commission approved plans for our infrastructure updates which include parking lots and campus traffic reconfiguration. Ridgeway Street will be a one way road from the beginning of the District property to Albion Street. Buses will no longer travel on Ridgeway Street and they will have a separate drop-off/pick-up loop in the new parking lot area that will be located near the District's lighted sign. This project will begin in early June and be completed by August 16.

Also occurring this summer will be the installation of secure entrances at Yahara Valley Elementary School and the Middle School. In addition, construction staging will be established for the Community Elementary School renovation of the 1990 portion of the building and the new construction. This portion of the building will be emptied this summer and work will begin in the fall.

In the fall, construction staging will be established for the High School addition near Door A (main entrance). This area will be closed and the main high school office will be relocated to the current District Special Education offices near Door E. The upper parking lot near Door A will be used as a parent drop-off/pick-up area next year and there will be limited parking available in this lot. During the summer of 2020 the entire drop-off/pick-up area at the high school will be reconstructed and additional parking will be available in this upper lot.

During the summer of 2020 renovations to the high school and the 1954 & 1957 portions of Community Elementary School will occur. Due to the amount of work these projects will require, the 2019/20 school calendar was modified to begin the year earlier and end on May 22, 2020. The calendar modification will provide three additional weeks to complete these major renovations.

Stadium Update

On May 20, demolition of the high school athletic stadium will begin. The stadium was assessed by engineers for safety and structural integrity. The necessary upgrades were not cost prohibitive and therefore the District chose to replace the stadium. Construction of the new stadium will begin immediately once the demolition is completed. The new stadium is scheduled to be completed by mid July.

Pedestrian Footbridge Update

The new pedestrian footbridge will be constructed this summer and installed in late summer or early fall. Prior to this work Alliant Energy will be installing a new electrical loop in the lines above the bridge which will then allow us to move the lines temporarily for the installation without interruption of electrical service to this area.

It is a privilege to serve as the District Administrator in the Edgerton School District.

Dr. Dennis Pauli
District Administrator