



Bond and Facility Improvement Update

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Sweet Home Junior High School

Here are the latest architectural renderings for the Sweet Home Junior High School reconstruction project. The first rendering shows the school's new entrance that will include a security vestibule adjacent to the main office to help control who can enter the building. On the left-hand side of the rendering, you can see the new gym that will have a full-size court providing needed space for PE classes and after-school activities. The second rendering shows the natural light filled cafeteria with windows overlooking Sweet Home and Marks Ridge. The new cafeteria will also provide space for musical performances and serve as a learning commons area for students when it is not meal-time.



We realize that the construction work will present challenges to the junior high school's students and staff members. In many ways, attending the junior high school during the project will be like living in a home while it is being renovated.

We know attending school during a construction project is not ideal but we are committed to making the project a safe, positive and memorable experience. We've already talked with the contractor and the architect about providing opportunities for students to learn about construction, engineering and building design while much of the school gets rebuilt around them. We are also working with our nutrition services staff to figure out how best to serve breakfast and lunch in spite of not having a cafeteria until the project is complete.

It's been fifteen years since our last major construction project when much of Sweet Home High School was rebuilt during the 2003-2004 school year. Looking back, there were numerous challenges for students and staff members during construction but the end result was a greatly improved learning environment. We're hopeful that will also be the case for the upcoming junior high school project.

Here is the project schedule:

Fall 2018

- Site work and demolition
- Finish construction documents
- Obtain subcontractor pricing and establish final project cost
- Construction preparation
- Prepare and plan for low voltage and electrical wiring

Winter 2018-2019

- Begin construction on the new gymnasium, cafeteria, locker rooms, main office and new entrance
- Panelize framing for the exterior walls for the classroom wings

Spring 2019

- Continue construction on the new gymnasium, cafeteria, locker rooms, main office and new entrance
- Install the panelized walls around the classroom wings
- Low voltage installation

Summer 2019

- Finish construction on the new gymnasium, cafeteria, locker rooms, main office and new entrance
- Parking lot improvements
- Roof work including adding slope to existing flat roofs
- Finish electrical, plumbing, HVAC within contractor's scope of work
- Change out electrical sub panels
- Complete low voltage wiring
- Remodel existing office into new design studio/makerspace

Fall 2019

- Wrap up (excluding renovations the school district will continue to make to the existing building interior throughout the 2019-2020 school year and the summer of 2020)

Hawthorne Elementary School

The Hawthorne Elementary School seismic project is complete along with safety/security improvements to the front entrance, office area and health room.

A grant from the Oregon Infrastructure Authority paid for the seismic improvements. District funds were used for the front entrance/office/health room improvements.

Here is a “before” picture of Hawthorne Elementary and an “after” picture.



Holley Elementary Playground

Installation work is well underway on the new playground at Holley Elementary School. Excellent job by the Holley Elementary PTC to fundraise to buy the new playground equipment.

