

Construction Updates

Lake Washington School District



November 2019

2016 Bond Projects

Focus on nature, cost-savings earns Kirk a 1st place Masonry Award



On November 8, **Peter Kirk Elementary School** received first place for block masonry in the Excellence in Masonry Awards 2019 from the Masonry Institute of Washington.

Designers selected concrete masonry as the primary exterior finish of the new school. The decision provided a savings of 30% over

other materials. Concrete masonry units (CMUs) will also provide the school with long-term durability.

Working with Mutual Materials, the designers at Studio Meng Strazarra developed a palette of materials echoing the layering, textures and tones found in the site's natural environment. The general contractor for the project was Lease Crutcher Lewis.

Learn more about the award in the [Seattle DJC special edition](#).

Timberline Middle School cuts celebratory ribbon during Grand Opening



Hundreds of students, staff, parents and dignitaries gathered to celebrate the grand opening of **Timberline Middle School** on October 11. [Watch the video.](#)

Speakers included:

- Superintendent **Dr. Jane Stavem**
- King County Councilmember **Kathy Lambert**
- School Board President **Siri Bliesner**
- Principal **Heidi Paul** and two leadership students

Also attending were:

- School Board Vice President **Mark Stuart**
- School Board Member **Cassandra Sage**
- LWPTSA President **Mindy Lincicome**
- Lake Washington Schools Foundation Executive Director **Helen Sernett**
- Deputy Superintendent Dr. **Jon Holmen**, Associate Superintendent Dr. **Matt Livingston**, Associate Superintendent **Mike Van Orden**, Associate Superintendent **Barbara Posthumus**, Associate Superintendent **Matt Gillingham**, Director of Support Services **Brian Buck**, Director of Communications **Shannon Parthemer**, Associate Director of Support Services **Robert Foster** and Capital Projects Manager **Laura DeGooyer**.

See more photos from the [Grand Opening Ceremony](#).

Timberline Games: TMS students welcomed district staff and School Board members Siri Bliesner and Cassandra Sage to judge costumes during their Timberline Games, which followed their Grand Opening Ceremony. The field was filled with team-building activities to help the school build a positive culture. [See more photos.](#)

Welcome to the PACK! Three TMS students shared what they like about their new school: large, writeable desks and walls, space to socialize with friends, and classrooms for electives like robotics and foods. [Watch the video.](#)



Timberline Middle School

Peter Kirk Elementary celebrates during Grand Opening Ceremony



Students celebrated the opening of **Peter Kirk Elementary** during a Grand Opening Ceremony on Oct. 24.

Speakers included:

- Superintendent **Dr. Jane Stavem**
- School Board Vice President **Mark Stuart**
- Kirkland Mayor **Penny Sweet**
- Principal **Monica Garcia**

Also attending were:

- Washington State Sen. **Patty Kuderer** (48th District)
- Kirkland City Councilmembers **Toby Nixon** and **Jon Pascal**
- School Board Member **Cassandra Sage**
- Lake Washington PTSA Vice President **Melissa Stone**
- Lake Washington Schools Foundation Executive Director **Helen Sernett**
- **Chris Hendrickson**, City of Kirkland
- Deputy Superintendent Dr. **Jon Holmen**, Associate Superintendent **Rick Burden**, Associate Superintendent **Mike Van Orden**, Associate Superintendent **Barbara Posthumus**, Associate Superintendent **Matt Gillingham**, Director of Support Services **Brian Buck**, Director of Communications **Shannon Parthemer**, Associate Director of Support Services **Robert Foster** and Capital Projects Manager **Laura DeGooyer**.

[See more photos from the ceremony.](#)

In their own words: Students at the rebuilt and enlarged school share what they like about the new school, including more space to read, play and eat. [Watch the video.](#)

Peter Kirk Elementary School

Margaret Mead Elementary celebrates 40th anniversary and Grand Opening



You could feel the excitement at **Margaret Mead Elementary** on November 14. Even before two Seahawks Dancers took the microphone to lead students in a cheer, student greeters were singing and clapping as parents, staff, builders, architects, retired teachers and other guests arrived for the Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony.

Speakers included:

- Superintendent **Dr. Jane Stavem**
- School Board President **Siri Bliesner**
- Principal **Sandy Klein**
- Capital Projects Manager **Laura DeGooyer**

Also attending the event were:

- **Pam Stuart**, Sammamish City Council
- **Mark Stuart**, School Board Vice President
- **Cassandra Sage**, School Board Member
- **Rick Rudometkin**, City of Sammamish, City Manager
- **Mindy Lincicome**, President, LWPTSA Council
- **Anjali Myer**, City of Sammamish, Parks and Recreation Deputy Director
- **Helen Sernett**, Executive Director, Lake Washington Schools Foundation

Associate Superintendent **Matt Gillingham**; Associate Superintendent **Mike Van Orden**; Associate Superintendent **Barbara Posthumus**; Director of Elementary Education **Sue Anne Sullivan**; Director of Communications **Shannon Parthemer** and Associate Director of Support Services **Robert Foster**. See more photos from the [ceremony](#) and [open house](#).

In their own words: Students at the rebuilt and enlarged school share what they like about the new school, including their favorite books in the library, cubbies in their classrooms, eating lunch with their friends in the cafeteria and getting their bodies moving in the new gymnasium and playground. [Watch the video.](#)

Margaret Mead Elementary School

Community tours Phase 1 of Juanita High School

Student volunteers and district staff answered questions about Phase 1 of Juanita High School during a community Open House on Saturday, October 26. Visitors could watch as construction crews continued working on Phase 2 of the new building across the courtyard. See more photos from the Open House. [See more photos from the Open House.](#)

Last steel beam placed during Topping Out Ceremony

While students attend Phase 1 of the new Juanita High School, construction on Phase 2 is in full swing. The last steel beam was placed on September 25 during a "topping out" ceremony. Traditionally, a tree branch and flag are placed on the last beam as it is flown into place. The entire school will open in fall 2020. [Watch the video of the ceremony.](#)



Juanita High School

Old Redmond Schoolhouse

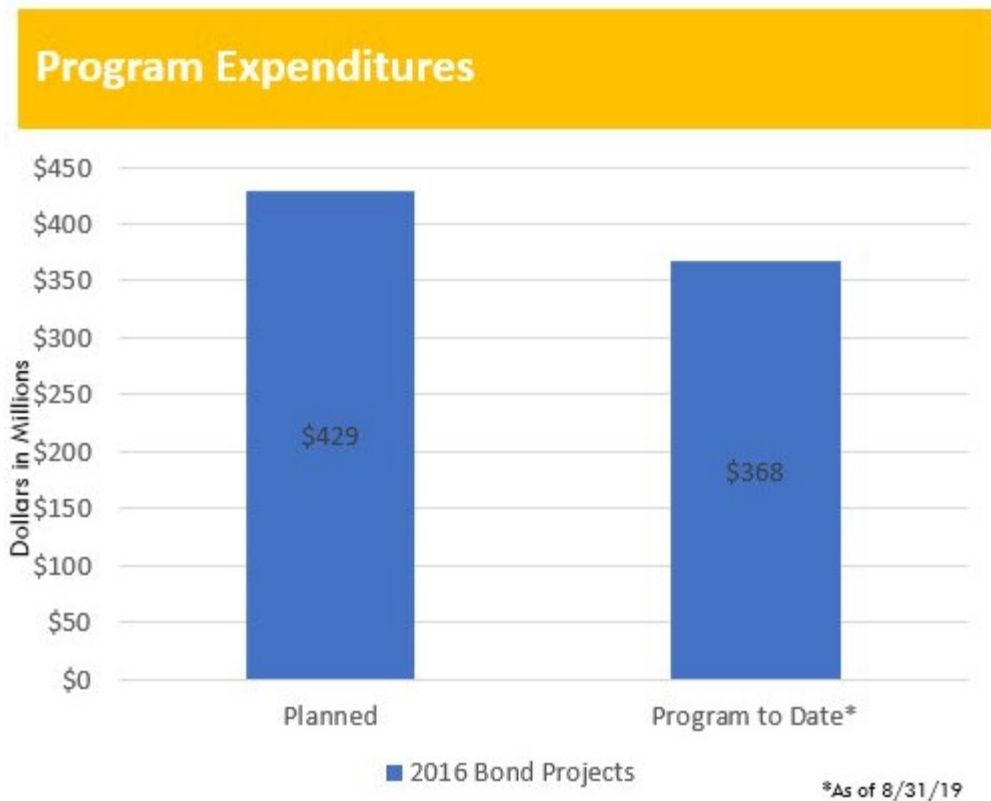
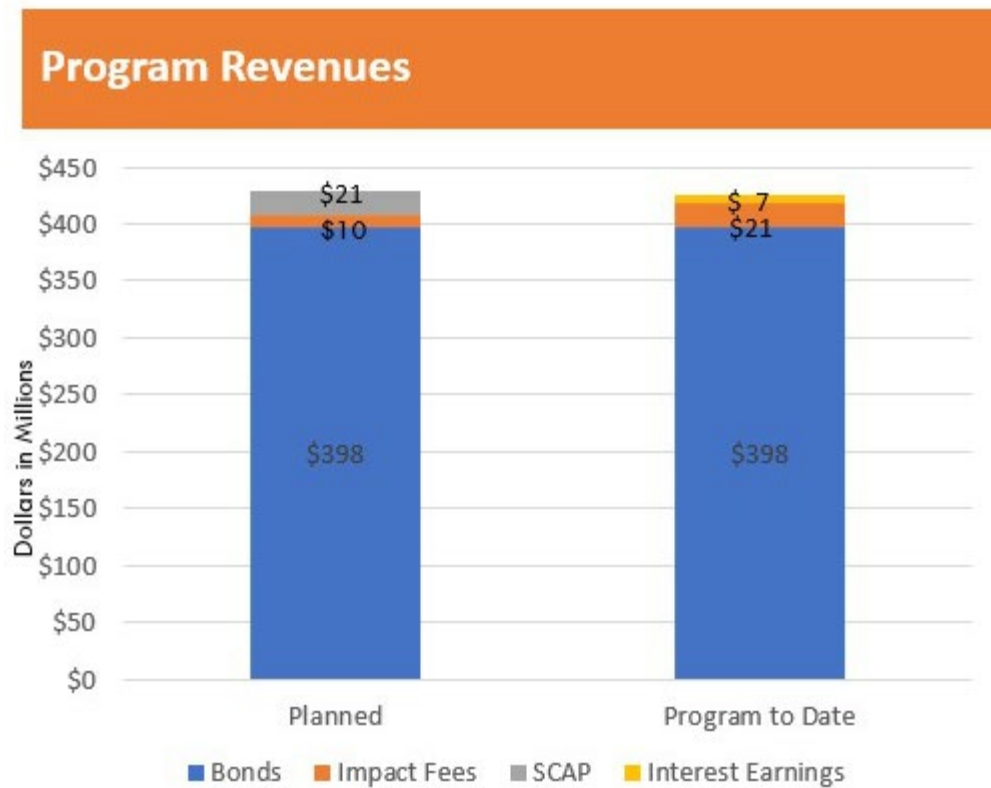


- Exterior windows are being repaired or, when necessary, replaced.
- Work on the roof replacement continues.
- Non-masonry exterior walls are receiving new siding.
- Interior improvements continue.

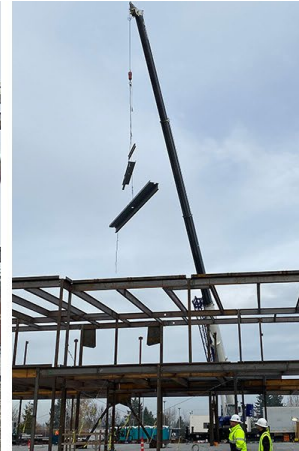
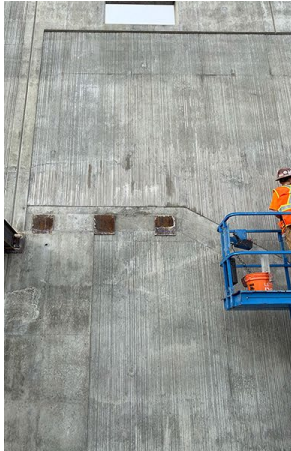
Old Redmond Schoolhouse

Financial Update

The charts below show planned 2016 bond program revenues and expenditures compared to current receipts and spending. Of the total planned expenditures of \$429 million, the district has spent \$368 million.



Lake Washington High School addition



Concrete and steel have transformed the appearance of **Lake Washington High School** this fall. Below ground, plumbing pipes are installed and a stormwater detention vault is complete and functioning. The first concrete wall was placed in October. Steel installation is nearly complete.

Lake Washington High School

Elementary school additions

Thank you to our voters for passing a Capital Projects Levy last April. You are invited to attend information nights about the elementary school additions funded by the 2019 Capital Projects Levy. These will be open-house style poster sessions. Feel free to drop by any time during the one-hour events.

- [Mark Twain Elementary](#) (4 classrooms): Complete: Event held November 21, 2019 from 6-7 p.m. at Twain Elementary
- [Benjamin Franklin Elementary](#) (8 classrooms): December 5, 2019 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at Franklin Elementary
- [Rose Hill Elementary](#) (8 classrooms): December 12, 2019 from 5-6 p.m. at Rose Hill Elementary
- [Rachel Carson Elementary](#) (4 classrooms): An information night for Carson Elementary will be scheduled next year in fall 2020.

Have a question about a project? Let's Talk!

Have a question about any of these projects? [Ask us through our "Let's Talk" system](#). This system allows you to share comments or ask questions to members of our team.



Connect with us!



