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## OSHKOSH AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT PROJECT PROGRESS REPORT

## WHAT'S NEW?

Since the voter-approved November 3 referendum, the District has been hard at work developing plans to address facility needs. Design meetings for the two new schools, as well as the first set of renovation projects to address priority maintenance, safety and security, and infrastructure improvements, are underway.

To prepare for these building upgrades, the District selected a land surveyor through a Request for Proposal process. Surveyor work has already begun and they will document all building sites over the next few months.

## **PLANNING & DESIGN UPDATE**

The first set of renovation sites will include:

- » Carl Traeger Elementary & Middle Schools
- » Emmeline Cook Elementary School
- » Lakeside Elementary School
- » Franklin Elementary School
- » South Park Middle School

Interior finish conversations have been ongoing over the past few weeks and Bray Architects is prepping for a final finish selection on renovation work in February. Design and planning meetings have continued. The renovation goal is to have construction start and finish this summer at the five schools. Design discussions with each building principal addressed the needs of the main offices. Conversations about security, visibility, and staff and student interactions remain ongoing.

Planning for the new middle and elementary schools have kicked-off with the Core Planning Team (CPT), which includes District administration and building principals. The first handful of meetings regarding the Jackson Field site for the new middle school have resulted in the following ongoing discussion points:

- » Adjacency of Jackson Field to Jackson Street
- The surrounding neighborhood residential homes
- » Best parking location in relation to the main entrance
- » Incorporation of a two- or three-story building into the dense residential neighborhood

## WHAT'S NEXT?

- The District will tour other middle schools in the state to see modern learning environments. These tours may inspire the design of Oshkosh's new middle school to support future teaching and learning.
- » New middle school floor plans and exterior plans continue to be developed.
- Future discussions about the Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics (STEAM) curriculum in the new middle school will occur.



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