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Welcome to the Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) Newsletter. It is a priority for Alexandria City Public Schools (ACPS) to keep the community informed about our current capital improvement projects. This newsletter is distributed on the first Monday of every month and includes major updates from some of our ongoing projects.

Read on to learn more about upcoming community meetings and the latest project updates.

Douglas MacArthur Modernization Project
Virtual Community Meeting

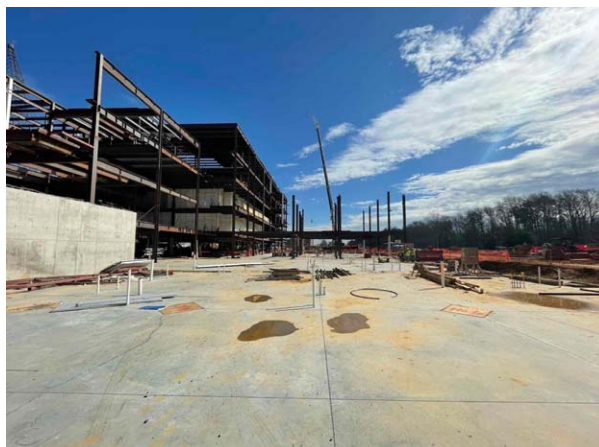
Tuesday, Mar. 28, 2023
6:30-7:30 p.m.

Meeting invitation and Zoom link forthcoming

This meeting is an opportunity for the project team to provide an update on the Douglas MacArthur modernization project design, construction timeline and transition logistics. Representatives of ACPS will be on hand to answer questions submitted during the virtual community meeting.

If you cannot attend the virtual community meeting, the presentation will be available online, and all feedback received will be shared with the relevant staff and decision-makers on this project. Please send your feedback to Arte'a Funderburk, CIP communications specialist, at artea.funderburk@acps.k12.va.us.

The High School Project: Minnie Howard Redevelopment



Underground utility work is continuing onsite and on West Braddock Road and is expected to continue through March. Washington Gas' work will be scheduled to start soon and will be on West Braddock Road. Metal floor decking is ongoing and continues to follow the steel being installed. Footings, foundations and underslab utilities are continuous on the south side of the building and will be wrapping up in March. The pool area excavation will begin this month. Interior partition layouts, preparation for above-ceiling utilities and spray fireproofing have started and will continue throughout March. Installation of interior metal studs and drywall has begun. Submittals and fabrications are continuing for all upcoming work. The contractor has been approved for extended work hours as required for concrete work and will request extensions as needed for large concrete slab pours.

Community members can send questions, comments, and concerns to the project email: hsproject@acps.k12.va.us. Gilbane is also hosting a [website dashboard](#) to provide project updates.

Douglas MacArthur Modernization Project



North elevation window installation has begun. Masonry on the north side and the east balcony roof are nearing completion. Level two walls are closed-in and finished; painting begins this week. East side masonry, mechanical room painting, garage painting and fireproofing on the south side are complete. Furniture order quotes have been finalized and authorization requests have been issued. A transition vendor has been selected, and the procurement process is ongoing.

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newmacarthur@acps.k12.va.us. SKANSKA is also hosting a [website dashboard](#) to provide project updates.

Alexandria City High School

- Parking garage close-out is complete.
- Perimeter fence stakeout is complete. The initial clearing has commenced and the laydown area has been designated.
- Studio equipment pricing is ongoing and pricing options are being compared.
- Auditorium: stage flooring is complete, carpet pricing has been received and installation is being scheduled.
- Parker-Gray stadium: lights have been adjusted to reduce light on treetops along the property line.

Charles Barrett Elementary School

- Heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) renovation project is on schedule for summer construction.
- Luxury vinyl tile (LVT) design is ongoing for lobby flooring.

Cora Kelly

- Library: lighting upgrade is scheduled for summer; coordination is underway.

Francis C. Hammond Middle School

- HVAC renovation work is ongoing in phases; piping work is scheduled to take place over Spring Break. Crane is scheduled to be onsite in the summer.
- Drainage/stormwater management (SWM) component phasing is being explored and scheduled.
- Hardscape pricing options have been received for parking lot resurfacing; review is ongoing.
- Gymnasium lobby renovation: flooring installation and painting are scheduled to commence over Spring Break.

George Washington Middle School

- Security safety vestibule: material ordering has commenced; checking with multiple vendors for timing on long lead items (aluminum framing, glazing), security equipment/conduit/wiring ordered and will be installed over Spring Break.
- Gym floor engineering assessment proposal has been received; investigation commencement is being scheduled.

John Adams Elementary School

- Parking lot/drive asphalt milling and repaving will commence over Spring Break.
- LVT flooring is being fabricated for hallways; remediated over Winter Break.

James Polk Elementary School

- SWM improvements have been scoped for: slope from bus loop to prevent scouring (swale enhancements, HDPE piping placement, sodding), and tying modular downspout directly to underground SWM piping. Phasing and pricing is ongoing.
- Restrooms: renovation design is ongoing, and measurements are underway for possible reconfiguration of one group restroom.

Lyles Crouch Traditional Academy

- Site Improvements: parking lot upgrades anticipated in the summer. Comprehensive site planning, including stormwater, playground and field, is ongoing.
- Library mural art design changes are being implemented.
- Kitchen renovation: design complete, construction documents have been submitted for permit and invitation to bid (ITB) being scheduled.
- Elevator pit and oil separation tank repairs/redesign have been completed, this work will be included in the bid package as an add alternate.

Mount Vernon Community School

- SWM improvements are being scoped for phasing. Yard inlet on east side of school to collect sheet flow is priority; tie-in of west side downspout and awning downspouts directly to underground SWM system is second priority; courtyard SWM improvements are part of overall courtyard design enhancements and will be part of larger funding request.
- New chiller is scheduled for summer delivery and installation.
- Library renovation window film installation commenced.

Naomi L. Brooks Elementary School

- Security safety vestibule/main lobby renovation: finish material has been reviewed and selected with administration.
- Lobby flooring asbestos abatement being scheduled for Spring Break.
- Media Center renovation: scoping/design commenced (coordinated with lobby components).
- Roof: change order metal coping installation scheduled for Spring Break.
- Window replacement: historical components design approval received, ITB being scheduled.

Samuel W. Tucker Elementary School

- HVAC school-wide commissioning is beginning this month. The preliminary report on the heating season is anticipated to be completed in April, and the final report, including cooling season, to be completed in July.

William Ramsay Elementary School

- SWM improvements are being scheduled for the south side of the school to correct erosion and scouring along stairs and the steep slope of the hillside. The runoff is causing blockage of drains with mud collecting on the courts and sheet flow washing away playground mulch and creating erosion and drop-offs at pavement edges.
- Building envelope phasing is being scheduled.
- HVAC rooftop unit installation scheduled for Summer Break.
- Kitchen renovation: design complete; construction documents being submitted for permit.
- Lobby flooring asbestos abatement being scheduled for Spring Break.

Alexandria City Public Schools (ACPS) serves more than 15,500 students who hail from more than 145 countries and speak 132 languages. ACPS has 18 schools, including two middle schools, two K-8 schools, a pre-K school, and the internationally recognized Alexandria City High School. ACPS is committed to ensuring that each and every student succeeds. Visit us on the web at www.acps.k12.va.us and follow us on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) and [YouTube](#).

