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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

When will construction start?
Construction is scheduled to start during the winter break of this year.

How long will construction last?
Construction is scheduled to be complete by February 2021. Since this is an occupied campus, construction will be divided into phases, with a lot of heavy construction happening during the school breaks.

How many phases will there be?
There will be a total of three construction phases. The two classroom buildings will be completed at the end of phase one. At the end of phase two, the Administration and Multipurpose buildings will be completed. And the parking lot finalized with phase three.

Where will the students play during construction?
Although reduced in size, play areas will be provided in each of the construction phases. We know that play and activity time is as important to kids as their time inside the classrooms, therefore we will have as much area as construction allows.

Will there be more parking?
We are doubling the parking capacity. Overall, we want your experience while visiting our school to be more pleasant and convenient for you.

Will there be construction during the school year or during school hours?
Yes. Because of the magnitude of this re-build, construction will be taking place throughout the school year. However, the construction scheduled for these times is completely safe for the students. Student and staff safety is our priority, as well as a comfortable environment for learning.

Will school be disrupted? How will teaching and learning be impacted?
We will keep disruptions at a minimum. During construction, you can expect a reduction of areas for play and some spaces to be relocated temporarily. However, convenience and function will be driving the decisions. Noise will be kept at a minimum during school hours and away from students.

Will there be portables during construction?
No. The phasing of construction will allow for relocation to the new spaces before our construction team goes to work on the existing spaces. The first new buildings in the campus will be the classrooms, keeping our students in safe and comfortable learning spaces.

Where will the new buildings be constructed?
The new classroom buildings will be located south of the existing buildings. The administration and multipurpose building will be located in the heart of the site, overlapping where some of our current buildings are.

How is drop-off and pick-up being affected with the new design?
We're making the vehicle queue distance four times longer. This means a significant reduction of wait time and traffic issues on 56th Street. The campus' new driveways and parking lot have been designed to expedite the student drop off and pick up process and mitigate safety concerns.

How many buildings will there be?
A total of four buildings: two classroom buildings, one administration, and one multipurpose.

How will my child learn from this experience?
The Cherokee contractor, architect and administrative team are planning a series of activities for students with a focus on learning while construction is happening on campus. We see it as an opportunity to bring a unique learning experience for our students!

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