

## **RESPONSES TO COMMUNITY FORUM Q&A - 05.01.24**

**1. Will the children be able to see what is happening in the construction site?**

*Yes, Turner Construction will have multiple cameras posted around the project site. Turner welcomes the engagement of students and will coordinate with Principal Healy and his team to provide students with insight as to what is occurring on the other side of the construction fence. In addition to construction fencing, there will be a clear delineation between an active construction work zone and an active school zone to maintain student safety.*

**2. What would be the impact of the Tree Warden's recent opinion that the rock outcropping should remain? In terms of cost, schedule, athletic fields, and safety?**

*Per the Tree Warden's final ruling on May 20, 2024, the trees on the rock outcropping are scheduled to be removed which aligns with the complete removal of the rock outcropping.*

**3. When do you anticipate that construction will be completed?**

*The current projected completion for the project in its entirety is December 2026. The new Central Middle School will be completed prior to the start of the 2026-2027 school year.*

**4. What is the date for phase 1 to begin? When will the back field become a construction site with fencing, delivery of equipment etc.**

*It is projected that Turner Construction will begin site mobilization with fencing, gates, site removal, etc. in December 2024.*

**5. What is the expected period to time when parent drop off will share the bus loop once the school opens but before the existing gym is torn down and the drop off lane complete? How much of the school year?**

*Turner Construction anticipates the parent drop off will be shared with the bus loop for 1 to 2 months after the return of students and staff for the 2026-2027 school year.*

**6. While the entire project is scheduled to be completed in Dec 2027, what is the scheduled date to have children in the new building?**

*The current project schedule has the students utilizing the new building for the start of the 2026-2027 school year.*

**7. Are there any upcoming hurdles or approvals that could push back the timeline, if so what would the impact be?**

*As with any construction project, there are hurdles and challenges that the Professional Team, the Building Committee, and the Owner will need to work through especially when it comes to the schedule. Currently, the project is on schedule - the Building Committee and the Professional Team do not have any unforeseen hurdles or approvals that could detriment the schedule.*

**8. How will students access the school during Phase 2?**

*At the start of the 2026-2027 school year, it is anticipated that the bus entrance will be on Orchard Street. This is while the existing gymnasium demolition is brought to completion as well as the hardscape and landscape for the newly constructed parent drop off from Indian Rock Lane. Once this is complete, the final and permanent designated access will be available. All phased access to the campus will be thoroughly communicated from the Building Committee and Professional Team to the CMS Principal for his distribution to students and parents.*

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9. **Would like to submit, in writing, detailed comments on behalf of perimeter neighbors on traffic/road safety.** This is a statement request- not a question for CMS BC or Professional Team.

*The Building Committee noted this response and encouraged the public to attend regularly scheduled Community Forums and/or Perimeter Neighborhood Meetings to voice their comments, concerns, and questions.*

10. **When will we have the opportunity to review the detailed site plan?**

*The Building Committee is always available to answer any questions from the public and regularly schedules Community Forums. The Final Site Plan will be reviewed by the Greenwich Planning and Zoning Commission on Wednesday, May 29, 2024.*

11. **Once the ledge and rock are blasted will you use that material for drainage and reuse for cost savings?**

*During the first phase of construction, any removed material that is suitable for reuse will be used in the building process as this phase is a net import. During the second phase of construction, a large majority of the materials will be brought offsite as it is a net export.*

12. **What is the grade plane of the building?**

*The current documents have the grade plane at 50' - 3".*

13. **How many trucks will enter and exit each day?**

*Accurate daily counts are very difficult to predict as there will be highs and lows during the dynamic nature of the building and construction process. For instance, during the first phase, a higher volume of construction traffic should be expected due to soil imports while lower traffic volumes can be expected during the interior finish activities. Please refer to the P&Z Application which includes additional and detailed information on Phasing and Logistics.*

14. **Will the current 6th-graders be attending the new school?**

*The students who are currently 6th graders for the 2023-2024 school year will be 8th graders during the 2025-2026 school year. The new building will not be completed and ready for students until the 2026-2027 school year.*

15. **What is the height of the construction fence?**

*The construction fence is being proposed as an 8' post driven temporary fence with scrim.*

16. **What is the elevation of the roof?**

*The Main (Lower) Floor roof is equal to the finished Second Floor at 16'-0" above the finished floor. The Second (Upper) Floor roof is 30'-0" above the main floor level.*

17. **Will there be an opportunity to keep and improve the stone wall along Orchard Street?**

*The stone wall will remain intact except where there are two new curb cuts being proposed at the bus drop off in which demolition will be required for those areas.*

18. **When do you plan to move the children into the new building to start demolition of the old building and building of the new fields?**

*It is projected that the students will be able to utilize the new building for the start of 2026-2027 school year.*

***Responses provided by the project team's construction manager (Turner Constr.), architect (S/L/A/M Collaborative), and owner's representative (Construction Solutions Group)***