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# Elementary Schools Update Lunchrooms

Each of our elementary school lunchrooms have received a makeover for the new school year.



(Pictured Above) Searingtown Elementary School

(Pictured Below) Denton Ave Elementary School & Center Street Elementary School

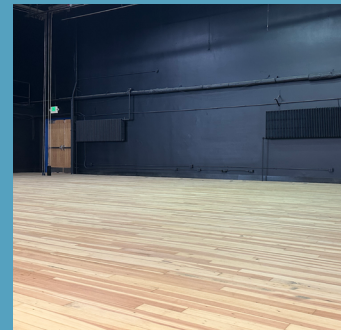


**S**o long, old-school lunchrooms! Starting this fall, students at our elementary schools will be enjoying their pizza Fridays in style, as each of our lunchrooms have received a much-needed update! Renovations include repainted walls and ceilings, completely retiled floors, and new curtains for the stages.

Each school's lunchroom will sport a unique look designed by their respective principals! First off is Searingtown's lunchroom, which features an interlocking tile pattern on the floor, gray epoxy-coated walls, and a ceiling painted with Herricks blue-and-white school colors. Next up is Denton Ave's lunchroom, which has a sleek, black ceiling, gray epoxy-coated walls, and a blue-and-white square tiled pattern on the floor. Last—but certainly not least—is Center Street's lunchroom, which is emblazoned with light blue walls, a white-and-blue ceiling and a tiled floor which is blue with white borders!

One thing's for sure—regardless of which school they attend, all of our Elementary students can look forward to enjoying their lunches in an environment filled to the brim with school spirit!

## SETTING THE STAGE: COMMUNITY CENTER AUDITORIUM GETS A MODERN FACELIFT



Another of our large-scale summer capital projects is the complete renovation of the Community Center's Auditorium, which is used to host events such as elementary school graduations and middle school plays. Gone are the old auditorium's salmon-pink walls and scratched-up blue floor tiles, replaced with a cohesive, modern look.

Future steps towards completion include installing new seating and aisle runners; additionally, the stage—which has been completely sanded down—will be painted black.

# Middle School Art Room Refreshed With Epoxy Floors

One of our middle school’s art rooms has had its floors refinished with epoxy; a material that not only provides a modernized look, but which also requires significantly less maintenance than traditional floors.

## BEFORE:



## AFTER:



## WELCOME, NEW TEACHERS!

On August 21-23, Herricks School District held a New Staff Orientation program, welcoming over a dozen new educators, counselors, and more to the district. The program included presentations on topics such as: as effective teaching methods, making personal connections, roles and responsibilities, empathy and equality, and more. To all of our new teachers and staff—welcome to Herricks!



*Herricks High School student Athul Santhosh (Grade 11) giving a presentation on the “Herricks Student Perspective” to incoming teachers.*

# Herricks High School Undergoes Summer Renovations

The crown jewel of the Herricks School District rings in the new school year with a number of exciting renovations.

Over the summer, the Herricks High School underwent a number of renovations which promise to both freshen the campus up in time for the new year, as well as contribute to the school's ongoing modernization.

The largest project at the high school this summer was the tennis courts, which were fully redone and repainted. The tech room has also been completely renovated—receiving the same style of epoxy floors as the middle school art room, a brand new ceiling with updated lights, and repainted walls. This summer also saw the conversion of an old office into a student lounge area—nicknamed the “Zen Den”—which features open walls and bean bags. This room will be available for students to use as a quiet space for reading, meditation, or just to clear their heads between classes. One of our business classrooms has also received a facelift, featuring brand new desks and chairs, hardwood floors, and super cool new overhead lights!

Additionally, several of the girls' bathrooms in the building have received some updates, such as new sinks and epoxy-coated walls.



## KICKING OFF THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR!

On August 30th, we held our annual Opening Day Convocation, welcoming all of our staff back for the 2023-2024 school year! The ceremony included student speakers from each of our schools, who all shared what the Herricks School District means to them, and was concluded with a student performance of Natasha Bedingfield's “Unwritten.”

