



# HIGHLAND FALLS-FORT MONTGOMERY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Mr. Michael McElduff, Superintendent of Schools

March 21, 2025

Dear Highland Falls - Fort Montgomery Community,

I am pleased to share exciting updates on the progress of our Capital Project, which continues to move forward as planned. The work being done will significantly enhance our school facilities, ensuring that our students and staff have modern, safe, and high-quality learning environments.

**Phase 1:** At the Fort Montgomery Elementary School, we are seeing tremendous progress as structural steel installation for the building addition began on March 13 and concluded on Tuesday, March 18th, bringing us closer to completing the new space. Bathroom fixtures have now been completed, and toilet partitions are set to arrive next week. IT infrastructure improvements are also continuing, with building controls and access panels being installed in the IT closet to support modern technology and security needs. Work is advancing steadily on ceilings, door frames, taping, and final finishes throughout the building. Additionally, the new rooftop unit (RTU), which is essential for improving climate control within the school, is scheduled for delivery early next week.

**Phase 2:** At James I. O'Neill High School (JIOHS) and Highland Falls Intermediate School (HFIS), significant progress has also been made. A walkthrough with prime contractors was completed earlier in the week, to ensure a smooth sequence of work as construction advances. Kitchen equipment for JIOHS has been reviewed and approved, and it is now moving forward into production and installation. The new rooftop units are officially in the production queue, and we are currently awaiting confirmation of the expected delivery date.

We are committed to keeping the community informed as we move forward with these vital improvements. The dedication of our contractors, district leadership, and staff ensures that we remain on track for successful completion.

Thank you for your continued support and patience as we work to enhance our schools for generations to come. Your investment in our district is making a lasting impact, and we look forward to sharing more updates in the weeks ahead. Attached you will also find several pictures from the FMES project.

Thank you for your continued support.

Michael McElduff

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Superintendent of Schools