

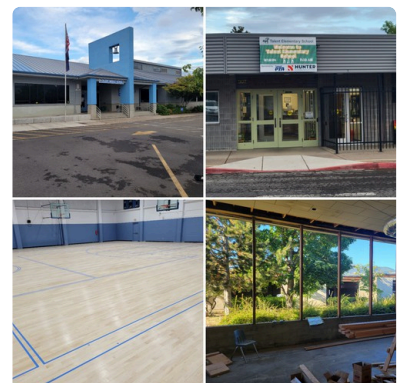


Facilities Mini Olympics

Last August, the Facilities team hosted a Mini Olympics in collaboration with our district partners, Sodexo and First Student. It was a fun-filled day that began with training and continued with a variety of field games, followed by lunch. The event strengthened our partnerships, fostered camaraderie, and sparked some friendly competition. We hope to make this an annual tradition, with this year's event scheduled for August 28, 2025.

Talent Middle School and Talent Elementary Seismic Upgrades

Talent Middle School and Talent Elementary underwent significant seismic upgrades and extensive remodels, enhancing overall functionality, improving energy efficiency and sustainability, and increasing the number of ADA-compliant restrooms.





Phoenix High School now has four new tennis courts, which are also lined to accommodate 16 pickleball courts.

Construction on the new tennis courts at the high school began last fall and was completed just in time for our tennis team to begin practicing and hosting matches on campus. Previously, the team had to travel to Medford to access the nearest courts. With this new addition, the high school is now looking forward to launching a boys' tennis team next year.

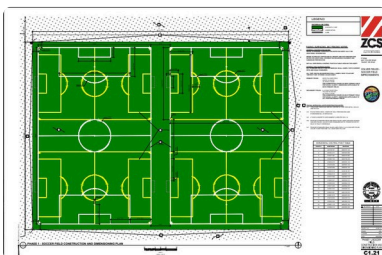
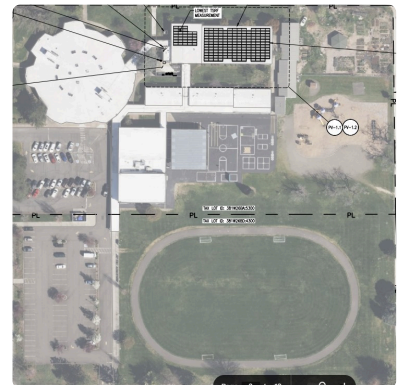
Talent Middle School starts construction on a 1.3 million dollar solar project

Construction is underway on a 143kW solar energy system, expected to save the district approximately \$20,000 annually. The system will also provide battery backup power to the gyms and cafeteria. While the project is scheduled for completion by the end of June, the timeline depends on the arrival of the battery units in the coming weeks. Funding for the project was secured through an Oregon state energy grant.



Talent Elementary School starts construction on a 1 million dollar solar project

Construction is set to begin next week on a new solar array projected to save the district \$20,000 annually. In addition to energy savings, the system will provide battery backup for lighting and IT equipment. The project is expected to be completed by the end of August, pending the on-time delivery of the battery components. Funding for this project comes from an Oregon state energy grant.



Designs for two new turf soccer fields have been completed, marking an exciting step forward in expanding our athletic facilities.

Designs for Phase 1 of the new Colver Master Plan have been completed. This phase includes two new turf soccer fields, a new entrance, and an expanded parking area. We aim to secure permits by the end of summer and move the project to bid shortly after. Construction is expected to begin in the spring.

Bear Creek Interpretive Trail Project

Last fall, we began hosting community meetings and initiated the design process for a piece of property in Talent generously gifted to the District. The vision is to create an interpretive trail featuring outdoor learning spaces for classes to enjoy during nature-based field trips. We hope

PHS (Phoenix High School)

- Replace back door in Academic Wing
- Paint:
 - Some hallways
 - Lower 8 feet of the small gym
 - Weight room

PES (Phoenix Elementary School)

- New carpet and paint in 3 classrooms (round building)
- Camera upgrades

Facilities Building

- Frame new office space for Sodexo chef/procurement specialist

School Farm

- Construct or improve pig pens
- Build new wash rack and weigh area near the cattle enclosure

Bear Creek Greenway Property

- Ongoing site clearing and maintenance



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