

DEPARTMENT OF FACILITIES PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT

Subject: November 6, 2025 – McClymonds Facilities Community Meeting Summary

Thank you to everyone who joined the most recent McClymonds community meeting focused on the **safety and security components of the modernization project**. Below is a summary of key updates and information shared by OUSD staff and Facilities team members. For those who did not attend, we encourage you to join a future meeting.

Meeting Discussion

During the meeting, a significant portion of the discussion focused on the safety and security measures associated with the McClymonds Modernization and Turf Replacement project. The project team provided detailed updates on the permanent safety upgrades in the project and the safety protocols in place to ensure students, staff, and community members are safe during construction.

The project team shared that several permanent security upgrades will be made to benefit the campus in the long term. These include the installation of steel-framed gates at the football field, re-keying the entire campus, adding additional security cameras throughout the property, and adding a new secure lobby where-in only administrative staff can grant access to the rest of the school. These measures are designed to enhance the overall security of the campus, both during and after the construction process.

The project team also discussed the safety protocols that will be in place during the construction period to keep students and staff safe, as well as McClymond's neighbors. These protocols include careful proactive management of soil and dust during excavation and demolition work, ensuring all contractors prepare and submit safety plans, requiring fingerprint and background checks for all contractors, fencing around active construction, traffic controls, communication and coordination with site leadership including the administration and culture keepers, and additional site security provided by Elite Security, a local firm owned by a McClymonds alum.

Meeting Questions and Responses

Q1: Where are we in the modernization timeline?

A1: We have received our first round of comments from the Division of State Architect (DSA), and we are currently working on responding to them. Our team is committed to providing accurate and feasible responses,

so we are taking care not to commit to anything we cannot deliver on. We are on track to meet the six-week timeline for addressing these comments. Additionally, we have been maintaining regular communication through our meetings and biweekly summaries. While we discussed the project timeline in our previous meeting, we are still waiting for evaluation from the DSA. We anticipate that this evaluation will happen within the next 60 days.

Q2: Will there be any changes to the current spaces?

A2: We are actively working to reopen spaces that are ready, such as the library. Over the next few weeks, we will continue to evaluate other spaces on campus to determine if additional areas can be reopened for students or faculty. We will continue to communicate updates as they become available.

Q3: When is the construction start date?

A3: We are scheduled to meet with DSA soon. At that time, DSA will have had a week to review the comments and responses we've submitted. This meeting will help determine the next steps and the construction timeline.

Q4: Can the community meet with DSA?

A4: Unfortunately, no. The DSA team is focused on providing technical responses to the project, and it's not a setting where community members would be able to ask questions. Our architects will be answering the responses and handling any questions related to technical aspects of the project.

Q5: We have Flowater stations on site, but some are not working. What should we do?

A5: We will follow up on this issue and work to resolve any problems with the Flowater stations. In addition to our follow-up, each station has a QR code posted on it that can be scanned to submit a service ticket for any issues. Please share this information with others—requests can be made by anyone, not just OUSD employees, using the QR code to submit a new ticket.

Q6: Is there any way to change the meeting time?

A6: We will revisit the meeting times after the December meeting and follow up with a schedule for the new year soon.

Next Steps

The next McClymonds Community Meeting will be held on **Thursday December 11 from 8:30 – 9:00 a.m.** at the **McClymonds Creative Design Lab (Room 106)**. The meeting will focus on providing a general overview of the project.

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