



DEERFIELD COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT PROJECT PROGRESS REPORT

September 2023 Update



PRELIMINARY VIEW OF NEW MIDDLE SCHOOL COMMONS
(CURRENTLY MS/HS CAFETERIA)

WHAT'S NEW?

Since the successful referendum, the District and its design and construction partners have formed a Core Planning Team (CPT) to further develop the improvement plans approved by voters in April 2023. The CPT meets two to three times a month and will continue to do so throughout the duration of the project, while also engaging user groups at key milestones to ensure input is captured and reflected in the final design. In an effort to keep all staff, students, parents and community members informed, the District will continue to distribute progress reports throughout design and construction.

PROJECT TIMELINE

Schematic Design · April—July 2023

Design Development · August—October 2023

Construction Documents · November 2023—February 2024

Bidding · February—March 2024

Construction · Spring 2024—Fall of 2026

PLANNING & DESIGN UPDATE

To assist the District and staff with the planning and design of the middle/high school's additions and renovation, the District team joined Bray Architects for five building tours:

- Sun Prairie West High School
- Mount Horeb High School
- JC McKenna Middle School (Evansville)
- Kewaskum Middle/High School
- Mayville Junior/Senior High School

These buildings are examples of recently renovated or completed state-of-the-art facilities that feature spaces very similar to those being developed for Deerfield. Coming out of the tours, the CPT had many great projects to draw inspiration from and identified different elements that could be incorporated into our school's design. In addition to the tours, over the summer, the CPT met with many staff members and users to ensure the design being drawn aligned with the District's goals and needs.

As the design effort shifted from high level schematic to a more refined design development stage at the end of summer, Bray Architects shared updated plans and a 3D walkthrough to all Deerfield staff as well as the School Board.

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Currently, the CPT is continuing to focus the majority of its efforts on gathering staff feedback, as it directly affects the design of the building. On-going meetings with staff and users include working with each department to make sure the new or renovated space is set up for both current and future needs. These user groups include Special Education, Family & Consumer Ed, Tech Ed, Art, Band, Choir, and more. In addition to meeting with curriculum-focused groups, the design team has also been meeting with staff on the Kitchen design to ensure the new Cafeteria and Kitchen is set up to make best use of space.

Following user group meetings, the CPT is actively meeting to ensure user group desires are working together towards a cohesive design.

In parallel with gathering feedback, Bray Architects is developing the exterior design of the school. This task is important as more than 75% of the existing building will be re-cladded, with implementation of the re-cladding being critical to how the new addition will look and feel. More information on the exterior design will be shared in our next update at the end of 2023.

WHAT'S NEXT?

- » Exterior design will be finalized
- » Meetings with Staff/Users will wrap up in November
- » Interior design implementation will occur this fall
- » Coordination with the Village on site plan approval with begin



TOURING JCMCKENNA MIDDLE SCHOOL IN EVANSVILLE



TOURING SUN PRAIRIE WEST HIGH SCHOOL



ALL STAFF PRESENTATION IN AUGUST

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