

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Free State High School :: DECEMBER 2018



Greetings to the Free State Community!

The construction project team wanted to take this opportunity to say **THANK YOU** for your patience while we finish the first phase of updates to Free State High School. We think it will be well worth it.

We are working on last-minute details to open the new additions for your use in the spring 2019 semester. Over Winter Break, we will be working hard to transition into the Media Center renovations stage, which will bring with it some visual updates when you return to the building in January.

Please review our rundown of these updates on the next page. Also, please take a look at the Safety Update section covering Winter Break activities and building closures.

We hope you all have a great end of the year. Happy Holidays!



SAFETY UPDATE

PLEASE READ!

During the Winter Break period (December 21 – January 6), the main entries into the Commons Area at Free State High School will be closed to all non-construction personnel. Please do not enter through these doors and obey all signage to ensure your safety.

If you are coming to the building for athletics, please enter through the gym doors.

We appreciate your cooperation as we work to safely enhance your school!

What to Expect in January 2019

The safety and wellbeing of students, staff, and the community is of the utmost importance to our team. Special attention will be paid to maintaining a quality teaching and learning environment during construction operations. We appreciate your understanding during intermittent and unavoidable disruptions through this time.

- New Classroom Addition
 - The new Classroom Addition will add seven new classroom spaces and the 2nd- floor Learning Pocket area.
- New Cardio Addition
 - The new Cardio Addition will include an additional cardio area, training room, and whirlpools.
- Temporary Walls and Emergency Exiting Updates
 - **Commons** – Over Winter Break, we will be constructing temporary walls in the 1st-floor Commons for separation between our construction activities and everyday school activities. These walls will shrink the current size of the Commons to accommodate the new Media Stair installation.
 - **2nd-Floor Hallways (New Media Center)** – We will also be constructing temporary separation walls down the 2nd-floor corridors to keep our construction **activities** contained over the Spring Semester.
 - Please be sure to take a look at the “Coming Soon” graphics that will be on the temporary walls in the Commons and the 2nd floor to help you visualize what all the excitement is about!
 - **Emergency Egress Updates** – During the spring 2019 semester, temporary emergency exit stairs will be in place on the north and south sides of the building.
- Clock System
 - Please be aware that some classrooms may experience an interruption of digital clock systems upon returning in January 2019.
- Intercom System
 - Upon returning, the intercom system will no longer be in service. Please utilize classroom phones for contacting the office.



WHAT'S NEXT?

Over the next semester, we will be diligently working behind these walls to build out the new Media Center and Media Stair.

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