

Building Project Updates

It is always exciting to be around the East Troy Community School District with their continued improved programming and practices. These are the focal points of the East Troy Community School Board as we continue to strive to provide personalized learning environments that promote entrepreneurship through innovation and creativity, ultimately leading to increased engagement and student successes.

The district's facilities can support these programs and practices, and the new building projects per the successful passage of the referendum will foster and support learning rather than restrict, and continue to have a positive impact on the school and community. The original portion of the tax levy that was projected to cost taxpayers 16 cents for every \$1,000 of home dropped to 5 cents per \$1,000 after locking in a majority of bonds. This means that if one owns a home value of \$200,000, the tax impact would be \$10 per year.

Currently the high school project has a completion date of August 2016, and the foundations continue to be dug, formed and poured for the additional classrooms and fitness center. Ground has broken for the new band addition and foundations will be poured and walls erected in the coming weeks.

Furthermore, renovations to the following will begin in the coming months: innovation space area that includes the metal / technical education lab; S.T.E.A.M. lab; robotics classroom and media lab; music classroom; lecture hall; a few classrooms; and locker rooms and a bathroom.

The new Pk-2 elementary school is in the final stages of necessary drawings with bid proposals expected in late February. In addition, construction will begin in April of 2016 and completion by June of 2017. Middle School projects will also be included in these bids with intent of completion being August 2016.

As building projects continue to move forward, the district also has various committees to help prioritize the acquisition of furnishings, fixtures and equipment (i.e. furnishings for new spaces, equipment for innovation spaces at high school, fitness center equipment, and playground equipment). Various proposals have already been received within each area, and in the coming months the scope and each vendor will be determined. If anyone is interested in assisting via a donation, please visit the STEAM Donations link on the homepage of the East Troy Community School District website.

Finally, thank you for continuing to assist the East Troy Community School District with becoming the "district of choice." We look forward to continuing to provide updates via our webpage, Facebook and Twitter accounts.