

Facilities Facts – February 2011

February was an eventful month as modular classrooms began arriving at Mariemont and Terrace Park. The modular classrooms will be in place and ready for the big move during spring break at the end of March.

The Board of Education accepted bids for bid packages 7-10 which include: Asbestos abatement at Mariemont Elementary and Terrace Park Elementary, Early site work and site utility work at Mariemont Junior High in Fairfax, Early site work and demolition for Mariemont Elementary, and early site work and demolition for Terrace Park Elementary School. These bids came in slightly under budget.

The Board of Education is working with the Village of Mariemont on two projects – West Street Parking and the sale of the Dale Park Building. Parking is an issue for Mariemont Elementary School and the business community and so we are working with the Village to add parking on West Street for the benefit of our parents and the village. In addition, the Board of Education is working with Village to identify a suitable use and buyer for the Dale Park Building.

The Board of Education authorized a bid package for owner purchased equipment. This package includes items such as: chillers, boilers, electrical switchgear, and generators. By pre-purchasing this equipment we can guarantee that our major equipment is the same in all three buildings thus saving long term dollars in the area of maintenance and upkeep.

I am pleased to report that our project remains On Schedule and On Budget. The State of Ohio is promising significant budget cuts for public schools in Ohio, and while these cuts will be very difficult in Mariemont, matters would have been much worse if we were still draining money from our General Operating Fund to fix old buildings. Our community's vision and proactive approach to our facilities needs will save significant dollars for current and future generations.

THE TIMELINE

- March 19 - Community Open Houses at Mariemont Elementary and Terrace Park Elementary
- April 17 – Mariemont Junior High Groundbreaking in Fairfax
- May 22 – Mariemont Elementary and Terrace Park Elementary Groundbreaking
- May – Public bids accepted for all three projects
- June 2011 – Construction begins
- Fall 2012 – All three buildings complete in time for school to begin

THE TRANSITION

- Junior high students will remain in their current building until they occupy the new building in the fall of 2012
- Mariemont Elementary students will remain in the current building for most of the 2010/2011 school year and then transition to a modular complex after spring break and

remain in the modulars for the 2011/2012 school year. The modular complex will be located on the play field behind the school.

- Terrace Park Elementary students will remain in the current building for most of the 2010/2011 school year and then transition to a modular complex after spring break and remain in the modular for the 2011/2012 school year. The modular complex will be located on the T-Ball field adjacent to the current school.

GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONIES SPONSORED BY THE MARIEMONT SCHOOLS FOUNDATION

Please hold the following dates which have tentatively been scheduled for groundbreaking ceremonies:

Mariemont Junior High in Fairfax Sunday, April 17, 2011

Mariemont Elementary School Sunday , May 22, 2011

Terrace Park Elementary School Sunday, May 22, 2011

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