

August 4, 2009

Message from the Superintendent

I hope you are enjoying your summer break and will continue doing so these remaining five weeks! It has been a very busy summer for District 89, and I am pleased to report that renovation work is progressing well.

**Construction**

Construction updates have been posted on our web site regularly. Generally, most of the mechanical, electrical, and plumbing infrastructure work has been completed. HVAC units have been placed in classrooms and roof top units erected in other parts of buildings. New windows, masonry, casework, clocks, and floor replacements are underway. Ceiling tile grid work is now being installed along with new lighting.

**Technology**

New ceiling systems will incorporate an LCD projector and two speakers integrated with the LCD system in each classroom. Each building has been connected with new fiber optic cable and all classrooms have new Category 6 (higher bandwidth) wiring installed that will transmit phone communications (a new phone system is part of this) and all technology.

**Access to Buildings**

As portions of buildings become accessible, teachers will be informed when they can begin reassembling their classrooms. Electrical, mechanical, water, and HVAC systems are planned to start-up and be tested the week of August 17. This will be followed by the installation of new phones and reinstalling and testing technology systems and equipment. Buildings will then be cleaned and furniture returned to classrooms. We hope to have building secretaries and principals back in their buildings the week of August 31. ***We ask that families and children not enter the buildings due to safety hazards and liability concerns of the various contractors on site.***

**Start of School**

Our staff will be reporting on September 3 and 4 for various meetings and professional development. Students will begin on Tuesday, September 8, 2009. Since we have adjusted the start of the school year, please be reminded that, for this year, school **will** be in session on Columbus Day, October 12, Veterans' Day, November 11, and Presidents' Day, February 15.

Looking forward to seeing your children in September!

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