

## Bond Program Updates

As you may know, thanks to the generosity of Boulder Valley School District voters, Community Montessori is in the midst of a \$2.5 million facility renovation project. The project includes improvements to learning spaces, facility maintenance items, improvement to building systems, and exterior site improvements.

I want to thank the DAT (Design Advisory Team) members for the endless hours spent guiding the design process for our bond work. Six parents (Ruth Anderson, Steve Brauneis, Lisa Gardner Sweeney, Marshall Lee, Rick Meyers, Rodney Russ), a community member (Andrew MacGregor), teachers (Patti Bleil, Jenny Dube, Elizabeth Ross), principal (Marlene Skovsted), project manager (John Bollinger), and our architectural and construction teams served on the DAT committee. Thank you also to the user groups for their invaluable input into the design of specific areas as we worked through this process.

Attached are diagrams of the work to be completed. The office has a copy of the complete construction documents if you are interested in browsing. The recommendation for the proposed modifications to the parking and traffic circulation has now been reviewed by traffic engineers and a community meeting on the specifics of the site plan will be presented at a meeting at the school on April 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

The final decision for the timeline of our construction has now been determined. Our work will be accomplished in stages:

- During the summer of 2011, the east wing improvements will be completed.
- Art and SAC will move to their new space (rooms 110,112) for the fall of 2011.
- The food preparation area for primary and PE storage will be ready for the fall of 2011.
- Occupants of room 110 will have temporary homes for most of the 2011-2012 school year.
- During the summer of 2011, the outdoor site work will be completed (playground, parking, traffic flow)
- During the fall of 2011 arrival and dismissal procedures will change. We will no longer implement a valet drive-through arrival/departure system. Parents will park to drop-off and pick-up their children. The procedures will be similar to current elementary dismissal practice. Please look for the details of 2011-2012 arrival-dismissal procedures in the May Buzz.
- In December of 2011 Community Schools will move to their new site at the education center.
- In January of 2012, renovation on the wing previously used by Community Schools will begin. This work should take about three to four months.
- In January of 2012, music will move to a temporary space.
- In spring of 2012, Community Montessori will begin to move into the new wing.
- By fall of 2012, we will fully inhabit our new spaces and all construction will be complete.

As excited as we are about these improvements, we also look forward to the next BVSD bond to complete the remaining building needs identified during the CM re-assessment process which identified over \$5 million in facility needs for our school building. One critical need that we were not able to accomplish with our allocated funds was new construction to accommodate separate spaces for our cafeteria and gymnasium. In the meantime, we look forward to our new flex space to mitigate our scheduling challenges with the multi usage of our current space.

If you have any questions about these bond program updates do not hesitate to contact me, any of the DAT members or John Bollinger at 720-561-5113 or [john.bollinger@bvsd.org](mailto:john.bollinger@bvsd.org).

