

Farwell Area Schools December 2020 Update on the Bond Projects



Construction Site for New Elementary Wing

Construction is underway! On November 30, 2020, the excavating for the new elementary wing began. This wing will house six new classrooms that will be constructed with an early childhood focus. Contractors have installed fencing to safely isolate the worksite from the elementary playground and school. Soon the foundation will be poured and the walls will begin to rise. This is an exciting next step in our bond project, and one that is clearly visible to our community.

The new fence project at the Kerwin Paesens Athletic Complex is wrapping up. This project is also clearly visible to the community. Only the gates remain to be installed. The new 8 foot fence will increase the security of our athletic complex. The new gate locations were designed with input from coaches, athletic department, maintenance department, and the Farwell Sports Boosters.



New fence at Kerwin Paesens Athletic Complex

Another project that kicked off on December 16, 2020 is the resurfacing of the old high school gym floor. This floor will be stripped down all the way to the wood. The new lines and logos will be painted, and finally a new finish will remarkably improve the quality of this playing surface. The new lighter finish will also dramatically improve the lighting in this gym.



Other projects that are not as visible, continue within our schools. New card access readers systems that have been installed in all three buildings are in the process of being activated. This will improve the security of all of our buildings. The wires have been run and soon the new security cameras will be hung and activated. We continue to balance and regulate our new HVAC systems in all of our buildings.

Major projects scheduled for the summer of 2021 include:

- New Elementary Office
- New Elementary Parking Lot
- New Elementary Playground
- Replace Elementary HVAC units
- Demolish the 1949 Teachout Wing
- New Middle School Secure Entrance
- New High School Secure Entrance
- New Central Office Secure Entrance

This truly is an exciting time for our district. While the excitement for all of us is there, we must make a priority to investigate, discuss, design, and THEN purchase/build. Taxpayers have entrusted us to spend community dollars wisely, so we ask for your patience as we move through this process. We will continue to communicate with you through our website, our Facebook page, and through email messages. If you have any questions, feel free to talk with me (Steve Scoville) by phone at (989) 588-9917 or by email at sscoville@farwellschools.net