

# Community School Construction Update

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**Date:** December 4, 2009

**To:** Community School Parents

**From:** Matthew Gould, Head of School

We are now within two weeks of being able to move in the new Leadership Wing! While the landscaping and site work around the new wing will be ongoing for several months, the classroom and interior work is nearly complete. Recent accomplishments include:

- Carpet has been laid in the hallways and classrooms.
- Cabinetry (built-in cubbies, bookshelves, fixtures, etc.) has been installed.
- Technology hook-ups for SMARTBoards, projectors, and computers are in place.
- Fresh paint has been applied to hallways and classrooms.
- Restrooms on both levels are fully functional.



I hope that everyone has marked their calendar for a very special ribbon-cutting ceremony to take place in the gym on **Thursday, December 17, at 8:15 a.m.** We are excited that several dignitaries from Ladue, including Mayor Irene Holmes, will be in attendance. The ribbon-cutting ceremony will be the students' first opportunity to see the new wing, and I know that they are excited!

We will be moving classroom materials over the winter holiday. Please remember... on January 4, 2010 when students return to school the **fifth and sixth graders will be in the new wing** and the **fourth graders will be in the current Sixth Grade classrooms**. (The current Fourth Grade classrooms will be "guttled" over winter break in anticipation for this summer's office renovation.)

Other changes in January will include:

- The Learning Center will be in the current Fifth Grade (south) classroom.
- Early Childhood Extended Day will be in the current Fifth Grade (north) classroom.
- Cathy Haines' office will be on the first floor of the Leadership Wing.
- Drama and linguistics classes will move back to their location at the end of the hallway by the gym.

During the time period between January and May, construction on campus will be relatively quiet. This summer, the team from Hensley Construction will mobilize again to complete work on the front entry plaza and the administrative offices. Thus, I won't write another Construction Update until May, but please feel free to contact me with any questions. I hope to see everyone at the ribbon-cutting on December 17!