

Update: Nov. 21, 2019

- Work on the Bond program continued into the fall with success. Newly renovated classrooms are now occupied, and second and third phases are beginning in nearly half of the 13 Bond projects.
  - Construction work includes demolition, building new entries, gutting and framing academic wings, as well as preparing for upcoming construction over the holiday breaks when students and staff are away.
  - Construction completion at Bowden Academy is scheduled for March 2020.
- The Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) met on Nov. 5 at Bowden Academy to see the progress of construction.
  - Kedrick Wright, director of Planning and Construction, presented the latest updates on the Bond projects and took questions from the committee members.
  - Members took a tour of Bowden Academy, one of the first projects to be further along in the construction process. Committee members saw the addition complete with a collaboration space and classrooms, as well as updated general learning classrooms and new windows throughout the building.
- Updates for the individual projects include:
  - **Bowden Academy:** Concrete paving at loading dock is complete. Kitchen demo is in progress, along with roofing and exterior window installation. Work also includes painting, HVAC and millwork.
  - J.T. Brackenridge ES: Interior painting is occurring throughout the building as the exterior ramp is being placed and the new front entry framing is underway. Ceramic tile is being placed in the 2nd floor restrooms. The new administration area will be ready for use in early 2020.
  - Davis MS: Electrical subcontractors are working on Phase 2. Workers are running cables and installing devices. Existing ceiling in auditorium is being removed.
  - Irving Academy: Front security vestibule is under construction. Interior work of Phase 2 continues with overhead mechanical, electrical and plumbing work. Ceiling grid installation is almost complete. 2nd floor classrooms are being prepared for flooring while the library wall framing is nearing completion.
  - Rogers MS: Work on new academic building continues with placing concrete at level 2 of Phase 1 building, as well as level 3 at the Phase 1 building.
  - **Tafolla MS:** Occupied construction areas have the above ceiling work well underway. Along with the new central plant, the installation of vertical steel for the new front canopy is scheduled for Thanksgiving week.
  - **Brackenridge HS:** New addition construction continues with mechanical, electrical and plumbing work. Most of the walls within the existing structure have been painted, and suspended ceiling grid has been installed. Cabinets are being installed in the administration suite as well as in the 2nd floor science classrooms. Brick installation will continue after a short break due to low temperatures.
  - **Burbank HS:** Installation of the project crane is scheduled for early December. The underfloor temporary lighting is presently being installed for workers' safety. Concrete floor frame work is ongoing along with the start of concrete building columns.
  - Edison HS: Demolition of field house set to begin. In the fine arts areas and secondary gym, mechanical, plumbing and painting work is ongoing.
  - Fox Tech Campus: Plywood is being installed at the learning staircase, along with the northwest mall restroom ceiling. Classrooms are being painted, ceramic tile is being installed in the kitchen and ceiling grid is being wired.
  - Sam Houston HS: Ceramic tile, painting, mechanical, electrical and plumbing is ongoing in the construction areas. Kitchen to open in early 2020.
  - Jefferson HS: Work for two new concession stands (track and ball fields) has begun. In the SUB (Student Union Building) room, the terrazzo mud bed has been installed and will soon be ready for the terrazzo finish. The cafeteria/kitchen work continues to progress. And the underfloor structural work is well under way with the porte cochere drive scheduled to be released in December.
  - Lanier HS: Kitchen and dining build out is in progress, along with wall framing in the fine arts area. Weather delayed roof activities for a week.