



Dear Durham Education Center Community --

With construction now underway, we wanted to share an update on progress. For those that may be unfamiliar, Durham Education Center is expanding with a new 15,000 SF wing that will open for January 2019 and include:

- Central commons / cafeteria with a kitchen accessible to instructional programs such as the garden
- New centralized main office with breakout rooms and conferencing areas for collaboration between students and staff
- Covered play area to provide outdoor recreation space
- New science classroom and MakerSpace to enhance the STEM curriculum offerings available to students
- Additional classroom space to allow moving all instruction out of the basement of the original schoolhouse building
- "Net-Zero" energy usage- with DEC's unique programming and limited energy use, the new building was an outstanding candidate for a highly sustainable design. With a solar panel array anticipated for the roof, DEC will have one of the first "Net Zero" energy use education buildings in the State.

Construction progress thus far includes:

- Site Preparation: The site has been excavated, with rebar footings set and concrete foundation slabs poured
- Framing & Construction: Carpenters will be framing walls through May to prepare for roof construction in early June

Some reminders on safety and site access from my previous communication:

- During construction from January - December 2018, Durham Education Center's (DEC) parking will be offline, several street parking and Durham Elementary spaces will be reserved for DEC use (see included "Durham Elementary Parking Changes")
- Fencing will set up around the DEC campus, safety and access signage will be placed to direct pedestrians to appropriate entrances (see included "Durham Education Center Fencing")
- Construction deliveries will occur in early pre-school hours, please be aware if you have any early business at the school
- Construction can be a loud and noisy process, while we hope to mitigate any disruptions to students and class time, we appreciate your advance patience and understanding while work occurs

Upcoming communications will include:

- Additional newsletter(s) and updates on construction progress and any impacts to the access drive
- Bond program updates on the website: bond.ttsdschools.org

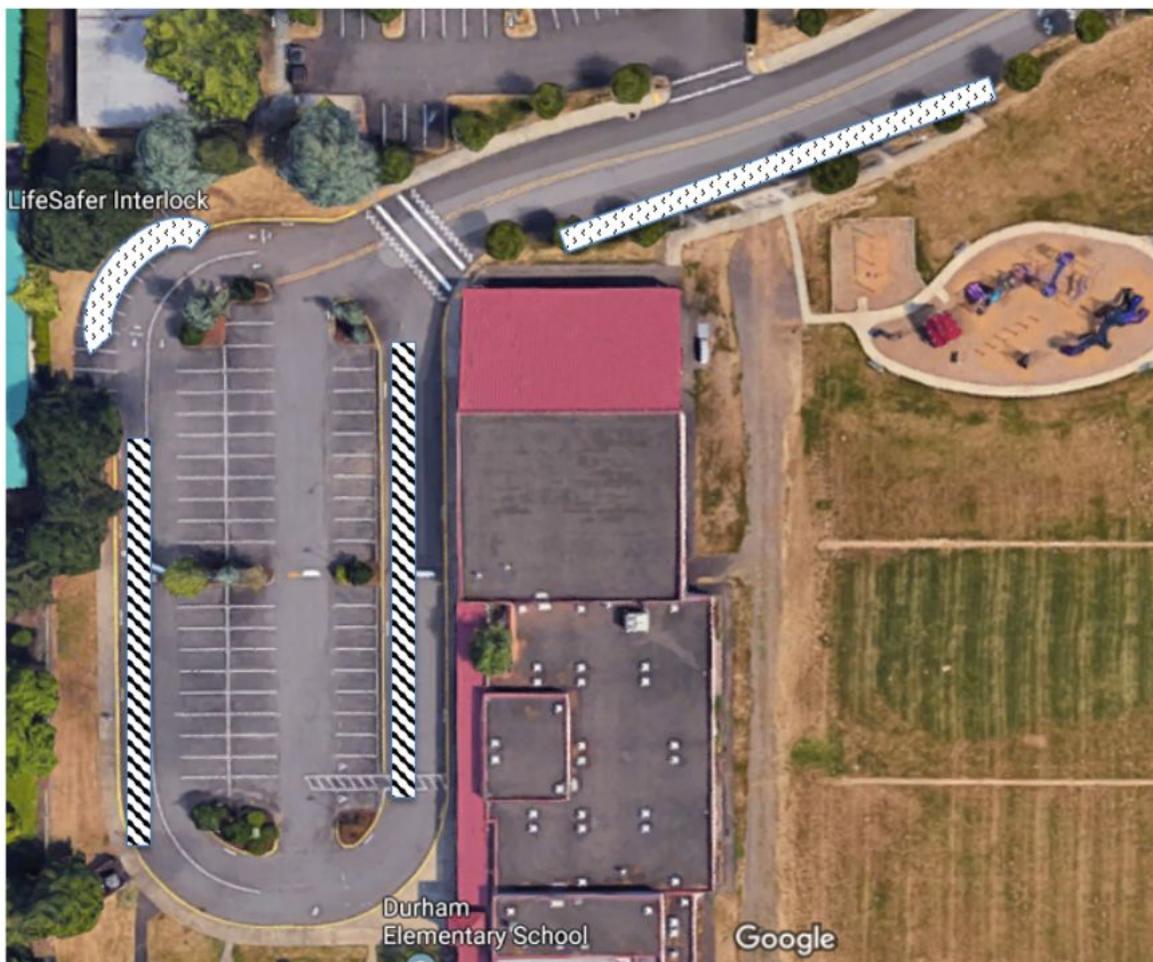
Should you have any questions on the project and upcoming construction at our school, please be in touch.

CONSTRUCTION LOGISTICS

DURHAM ELEMENTARY PARKING CHANGES

The parking lot at Durham Education Center will be offline for a period of construction while the new wing is built in its current location. The new parking lot will not be built until Summer 2018 so the area can be used for materials storage during construction.

During this period, a portion of Durham Elementary's parking lot and the access road will be reserved for staff of Durham Education Center. In turn, some additional visitor parking will be open in the Durham Elementary bus lane during posted hours. Please refer to the map below and heed newly posted signage.



Additional Temporary Parking (8:00 am - 2:00 pm ONLY)



Parking Reserved for Durham Center Employees (7:00 am - 4:00 pm)

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DURHAM EDUCATION CENTER FENCING

During construction at Durham Education Center, fencing will be installed to protect the site. Signage will be posted to direct pedestrians, access paths will be preserved whenever possible. The fencing will be repositioned in Summer to enclose an additional area of the site for construction of the new parking lot.

Winter & Spring 2018 Fencing Plan



Summer & Fall 2018 Fencing Plan

