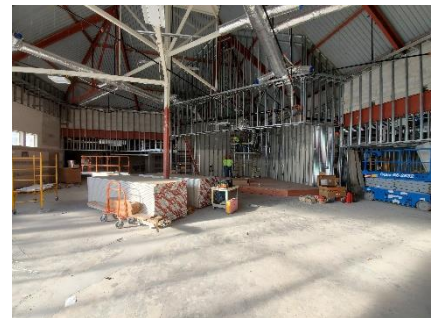


Update on Construction Bond – Summer 2019

The 2016 Bond construction continues as District officials and the Board of Education continue to plan for enhanced technology, security, and facility upgrades.

Summer is finally here! We hope that you are having an AMAZING break! Construction crews continue to work extremely hard on many upgrades throughout the District and will continue to work throughout the school year. There have been quite a few projects completed and many that have just started. We are excited to share this news with you!



Pinewood Middle School is in the middle construction on a new, state-of-the-art Collaboration Center. Crews will continue working over the next few weeks. This center will serve as a mobile, technology-based, student-focused learning environment that fosters creative collaboration and encourages knowledge sharing. Teachers and students LOVE the freedom to differentiate instruction and optimize learning for all! Anticipated completion of this project on January 1, 2020. Students will ring in the new year with a new Collaboration Center.

The **East Kentwood Site Project** continues. This project began in the winter of 2019. Anticipated completion of Phase 1 is August 2019. Phase 2 will be completed in August of 2020 and Phase 3 in August of 2021.



The **East Kentwood Security Entrance** renovation is almost complete. A few more finishing touches and we will be ready for students when they return in August. The project consists of remodeling the EKHS Door K to develop a more customer-focused entryway with increased security.



When students return to **Explorer Elementary** this fall, they will find a *COOL* new addition. Eight (8) additional classrooms and a new HVAC system await them.



Exciting news!

The East Kentwood **Falcon Stadium** is getting a new scoreboard! This new scoreboard is compatible with the upgraded video production class software used by EKHS Video Production class. Students and staff will be able to produce commercials, live stream events and other media advertisements.



Thank you to our Kentwood Community for your support!

Throughout the course of the year, District officials will continue to communicate progress of the construction projects across the District that are possible due to the passage of the Bond Issue in 2016. We encourage you to visit our website (www.kentwoodps.org) for updates, including pictures and a link to the construction vlog (video log), for all of the projects. Detailed information is also available by contacting Todd Bell, Executive Director of Finance and Business Operations at 616.455.4400 ext. 79918.