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The Hodgson project team would like to provide the school community with the following update on progress of the addition & renovation project currently underway at Hodgson Middle School.

PROGRESS OF CONSTRUCTION WORK

- 1. General Contractor mobilized on the construction site in June.
- 2. Construction fencing/silt fencing has been erected around the perimeter of the site and the site is now fully secured.
- 3. Demolition and abatement work in the 1920's building being renovated are continuing.
- 4. Demolition of the 1960's building is completed.
- 5. Removing of sod/topsoil and rough grading required to lower the playfield to street elevation is generally completed. All excess materials have been removed from site.
- 6. Underpinning of existing footings at the 1920's building is underway.
- 7. Excavations for footings of the new addition is progressing well and initial shipments of concrete forms and reinforcing steel have been received.
- 8. Please see pictures & descriptions of current works on the next page.

UPCOMING WORK

- 1. Demolition and abatement works will continue in the 1920's building.
- 2. Excavation for new addition will continue.
- 3. Forming & pouring of footings.
- 4. Forming and pouring of foundation walls.
- 5. Structural steel to follow pouring of foundation walls.
- 6. Underground rough ins for mechanical & electrical.
- 7. Pouring of ground level concrete slabs.



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COMMUNITY UPDATE:

During excavation the project encountered some soils that did not meet the required bearing capacities per the design. This unforeseen site condition was reviewed by all stakeholders quickly and the findings resulted in some redesign of footings. The consulting team subsequently issued the appropriate instruction to revise the footing design to suit the lower bearing capacities of the soils so works could continue at the project site.

The overall project is progressing well and remains on track for completion in the summer of 2026 with the school being ready for use in September of 2026.

CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS PHOTOS:



Exterior photo of the east elevation showing the 1960's building completely demolished and exposing the interior wall of the 1920's building.



Exterior photo showing the excavation progress of the future 3 storey addition.



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Exterior photo looking to the southeast of the playfield. Retaining wall on Davisville Ave has been removed and the elevation of the playfield has been lowered.



Exterior photo looking to the northeast of the playfield, showing the lowered elevation of the playfield.



Exterior photo showing the underpinning works on the recently-exposed east elevation of the 1920's building.



Interior photo looking west showing progress of demolition works in existing main floor (previously basement) corridor.



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Interior photo of existing library being converted into classrooms. Picture is looking southwest and is showing current progress of demolition works.



Exterior photo looking northeast from third floor classroom showing site trailer and excavation progress of future 3 storey addition.