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“MOVING FORWARD WITH OUR MASON CITY SCHOOLS” **CONSTRUCTION UPDATES – WHAT’S HAPPENING NOW!**

Phase 1 – Blazek Electric

- Planning to have High School two story power back on by June 25, 2011.

Phase 2 – Holland Contracting

- Cooling tower structural steel is set and concrete slab is complete.
- Mechanical piping is almost complete in Chiller Room.
- Electrical connections to mechanical equipment are proceeding. More equipment will be installed after walls are painted.

Phase 3A – Larson Contracting

- Demolition of stage in High School dining area is done.
- Electrician is installing conduit for HS Dining power and lighting.
- Plumbing rough in for kitchen equipment has been reviewed by equipment contractor.

Phase 3B – Henkel Construction

- Casework, lockers and doors are being removed at 2nd level.
- Asbestos abatement contractor is finished with Music area and adjacent classrooms. Has moved into remainder of JAMS 1st Floor.
- Henkel is beginning other demolition work in Music area now that tile has been removed.

John Adams 8 (Annex) -- Henkel Construction

- 10-classroom unit has begun being installed. Progress is slower than expected due to some water infiltration at exterior of a few trailers. Material has been removed and replaced with new before trailers are set against adjacent trailers.
- 6-classroom unit will begin arriving next week.

FEMA Safe Room

- Initial review by “state” FEMA has begun. This needs to be completed before it can be sent to regional office.
- Proceeding with finalizing documents for public bid in August.

Transition Monitoring Team

- This group of parents, teachers, administrators and support staff began meeting during the second semester to help our district be “out in front” of concerns, issues and to identify topics that our community is interested in knowing more about. The group met at John Adams 7 (Madison) on Wednesday June 23 to discuss items related to the transition and renovation process. The group toured the facility and were impressed by the preparation our custodial, IT and grounds staff have completed already in preparing for re-opening in the fall. Fresh paint, floors cleaned and waxed, and some outside grounds work will begin as soon as it quits raining! All of the equipment and teacher supplies are moved into classrooms and some teachers have already begun preparing for next year in their new location.

For additional information and pictures of the Secondary Campus work, go to: www.masoncityschools.org and click on the Construction News Banner.

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