

New Miami Trace High School

Project Update

April 2016

Much of the work during the month of April was focused on the review of the Schematic Design (SD) drawings for the project. The SD phase is the first of three phases of project design. Teams from SHP Leading Design and Ruscilli Construction were busy independently reviewing the 170 plus sheet SD drawing set for constructability and budget compliance. This process is expected to be completed by early May. Issues of concern noted during this review will be addressed as the team moves into the next phase of project design, which is Design Development (DD).

The team has been very focused on site development, storm water drainage, and road improvements along Bloomingburg-New Holland Road. Soil borings have been completed to determine the design for building foundations and parking lots. As with the other new schools on the campus, the findings show that the soil will need lime stabilization and proper compaction in order to provide a solid base to build upon. The team is also in the process of drilling a 300' deep geothermal "test well." Well data will be used to measure the amount of energy transfer that can be provided by each well in order to determine the number of wells that will be needed for the new school.

The district will hold a public meeting during the month of June to provide information and seek input regarding the project. Additional details will be provided later. The county engineer's office has assigned the new high school an address. The new high school will be located at **300** Bloomingburg-New Holland Road, Washington Court House, Ohio 43160.

The design team is working to schedule the next round of staff meetings with the entire high school staff in mid-May. This will be our last opportunity to meet with the entire staff prior to the upcoming summer break. This round of meetings will focus on finer details of the project such as furniture, cabinets, technology systems, room layout, and interior finishes.

On April 20, the district held a public auction for the former Eber Elementary School site. The 3.5 acre site is no longer needed for any foreseeable future purpose due to the purchase of the 59 acre parcel for the new high school.

The high school tennis court project is slated to begin on April 30. The project will provide five competition tennis courts. It is anticipated that this project will be completed by August 1. This project was *not* funded by the high school bond issue levy and has been in the planning stages for several years.

At this time, the team does not foresee any significant project issues that would delay the January 2019 opening for students.

Please feel free to contact us with questions or comments related to the project. We may be reached at (740) 335-3010, or by email at bfranke@mtrace.org. Thank you for your continued support and Go Panthers!