

New Miami Trace High School

Project Update

May/June 2016

Work has finally begun on the new tennis courts. The crews are currently busy preparing the soil sub-base of the courts to ensure that the five courts last for many years to come. It is anticipated that the new courts will be ready for use in August. The tennis courts were **not** funded by proceeds from the high school bond issue and were paid for with existing district permanent improvement funds.

The design team has been very busy with finalizing the site layout and utility plans for the building and parking lots. During the past month, the team has shifted the entire building to the south part of the site in order to save site development costs and provide plenty of land on the north side of the site for our vocational- agricultural programs. The site layout is fairly set at this point, in anticipation of the start of earth-moving activities in late September or early October. This portion of the project, known as the “early site package,” will focus on site development such as storm sewers, water lines, parking lots, site lighting, and roadways. The actual “bricks and sticks” portion of construction is expected to begin in early 2017.

The project team has moved into the Design Development (DD) phase of the project. The team was able to incorporate additional feedback from our staff members based on meetings that were held in late May. The “DD” phase is the second of three design phases in the project, with each phase becoming more detailed. Recently, SHP Leading Design presented preliminary building exterior elevations to district officials. The current exterior design shows a building that is reflective of our existing elementary and middle school buildings while featuring design cues that are in keeping with a 21st century high school facility. Based on the initial draft, district officials requested that the design team make some subtle changes. We expect a final draft of the building exterior elevation to be made public during the month of July.

Other projects on the central campus include a project to rebuild the varsity baseball dugouts and construct a new restroom and concession stand facility for use by the varsity baseball and softball facilities. The bid opening for this project is on June 17. It is expected that this project will be completed by October.

At this time, the team does not foresee any significant project issues that would delay the anticipated 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!