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The construction team wrapped up the gymnasium demolition last week and has begun work removing the adjacent 1960s wing by raking off the layer of brick and separating it from the main building. Many have asked about the gymnasium floor which was refinished (not fully replaced) by the Portland Trailblazers about 10 years ago. Sections of the floor were removed and given to the Roosevelt Alumni Association for use in future historical displays and as fundraising memorabilia. The bleachers were salvaged for use as wood accents in the modernized building.

Very soon the building will be moved over to its new temporary power service. Once that is online, the old boilers that have served the school for generations can be taken offline and the boiler room itself can be demolished to make way for the new Student Commons & cafeteria.

With the beginning of the 2015-2016 school year soon upon us, the moves into the new modular classrooms are being coordinated so spaces are ready for staff and students' return in late August. [To see a notice showing construction routes at Roosevelt click here.](#)

[View the RHS Access & Emergency exit plan](#)

Construction Begins July 17, 2015

Demolition on the music building is now complete. The crews are nearing completion on [the demolition of the gymnasium](#), with the rest of that 1960s wing to follow. This will make way for the new gym wing and access drive.

The temporary classrooms—the “ten-plex” and the two portables from Faubion--have arrived and been set in place. All that remains is finish work, adding ramps, and moving furniture to get them ready for the first day of school.

With summer school now complete, the custodial team is taking advantage of the students and staffs absence to step up school cleaning activities. **Please know that the school will be closed for all community members and non-custodial staff July 25-August 4 so the main office and hallways can be cleaned.**

Due to construction activities, there are some limitations in place at the Roosevelt Track & Football Field. Access has been limited to the track gate on North Burr Avenue ([See the Track Access notice](#)). Water and electricity have also been disconnected ([See the Track Utilities notice](#)). Some bleachers are currently roped off due to dust from the gym demolition. Please be sure to seek out a [Civic Use of Buildings](#) permit to confirm whether facilities will be available. The tennis courts have also been closed. ([See the Tennis Courts Closed notice](#))

Some have noticed that several of Roosevelt's trees have been felled make way for new construction. Many pieces of these trees, including stumps and trucks, are being identified by the landscape architect to be used in new stormwater pond areas and as furniture in the school. The intent is for them to remain a part of the Roosevelt community for generations to come.