

Roosevelt Construction Updates September 2015

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Contractors began foundation work this week with the first footings poured for the new gymnasium wing. Excavation on the orchestra pit for the new auditorium began this week, giving shape to the new theater. The next few weeks will be dedicated to form work and pouring concrete, so that Roosevelt's new walls have a sturdy, level foundation to stand on.

We acknowledge the site has been dusty and the contractor is working to mitigate dirt and debris tracked out of the site. Should you experience this or encounter another construction related issue, please call the Roosevelt construction line: 1-866-686-1886

Construction Updates Sept. 14 -18 2015

To make way for the building footings and foundations of the new auditorium and gym wings, grading and backfill work continues this week so the Lease Crutcher Lewis construction team has a level, even surface to build on in the coming weeks. Part of that work includes placing the underground utility vaults and, very soon, locating the new orchestra pit in the ground. This will be an exciting milestone as the new theater begins to take shape.

While work on new auditorium begins, transformation work on the old auditorium into the new library and media center continues. With the hazardous materials such as asbestos cleared, the walls are being gutted and the stairwells have been removed to accommodate the new rooms including the Writing, Publishing & Social Justice Center and Multnomah County Teen Health Center that will be completed for the 2016-2017 school year.

Construction Updates Aug 31-Sept. 4, 2015

On August 31st, Staff and Students executed Roosevelt's first fire drill utilizing the Construction Evacuation Path, through a fenced path from the school courtyard to the Football Field. Things could not have gone more smoothly and we are grateful to all that participated in this important exercise to ensure student safety during the Roosevelt Modernization.

The halls at Roosevelt are once again bustling with activity with the start of the 2015-16 school year [last Thursday](#). Drills like the one mentioned and peer-led tours have been used to help orient new and returning students to the campus. With many areas fenced off, doors no longer in use and several new buildings in place, making sure students are [oriented with the changing landscape](#) has been a critical priority in keeping Roosevelt an operational school.

The construction team, led by Lease Crutcher Lewis, continues to work hard and has kept the project on schedule through the summer. With nearly all of the major demolition now complete (including the much anticipated [chimney removal](#)), efforts are being focused on preparing for the foundations of the new wings to begin in September.

Soon the footprint of the new spaces will be visible as well as key landmarks such as the new orchestra pit and new stairwells taking shape. We look forward to sharing pictures of this exciting progress soon.

The [Roosevelt Campus School-Based Health Center](#) is now open. The clinic hours are: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday: 7:45 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. Tuesdays, open late: 9:45 a.m. to 5:45 p.m. [The clinic is now in a state-of-the-art mobile health services unit](#) that located next to the new P.E. tent behind the library. The clinic number is (503) 988-3909 [Click here to view the Roosevelt Clinic Family Advisory](#).