

Watchung Borough School District

July 2024 Referendum Update





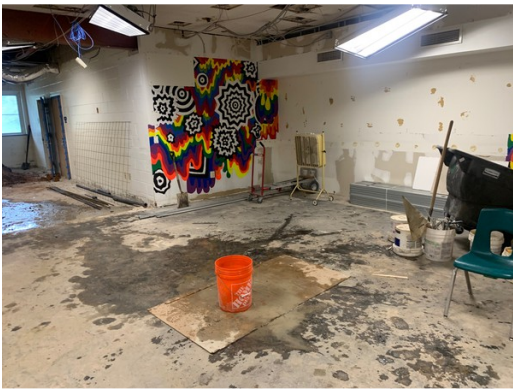
WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

Progress has been made on the various projects in the district. The art room, media center, and Bayberry—Alterations have had multiple inspections and will meet the substantial completion dates. Unfortunately, the HVAC project has been delayed. Some of the critical components needed to meet the substantial completion will not arrive by the start of the school year. These delays will **not** impact the start of school, the fresh air requirements, or the safe use of classrooms.

Valley View Art Room

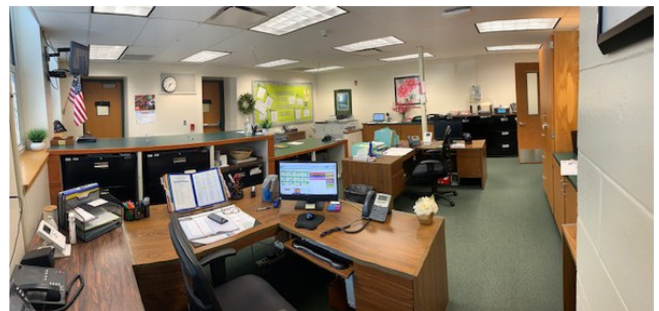
The scheduled demolition has been completed, including removing the walls between the art room and storage area. Underground plumbing was installed and passed inspection. The finishes are to begin by early August. The space will be ready to occupy for the start of the school year.





Valley View Main Office

The demolition, rough electric, and rough framing have been installed—framing inspection is to be conducted the week of 7/22. The finishes are anticipated to start in early August.





Valley View Media Center

The demolition, rough electric, and rough framing have been installed. A framing inspection is to be conducted the week of 7/22. HVAC work associated with the media center only is in process. The drywall has started in areas not pending inspections. Testing on the ceiling in the media center was conducted with no environmental issues. Finishes are set to begin at the beginning of August.

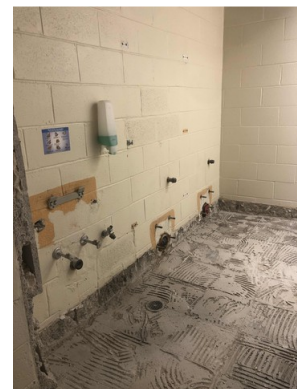
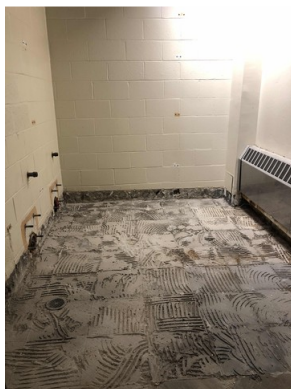






Bayberry Alterations

The demolition portion of the work has been completed. Framing of the new-sized bathrooms for the seven approved classrooms is in process with anticipated completion the week of 7/22. Casework modifications are in the process. Rough electric and plumbing are ongoing with partial inspections ongoing. Finishes are anticipated to begin in early August.



HVAC UPGRADES

The delayed equipment is the Unit Ventilators, over 40 pieces of equipment. Some of those pieces will arrive at the end of August, with the majority coming in September. The material that has been delivered will be installed throughout the district. This includes RTUs, exhaust fans, coils, casework, and ducts. Work required after school starts will only be done after hours or during the day if the district is off. Casework demolition has started to limit the disruption when the new unit ventilators are installed during the school year. Gym RTU preparation is underway and will be

completed by the start of school. The delay is an ongoing issue, and there is the possibility of further problems. Contingency construction plans are being implemented, and adjustments are fully expected.



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