



SPS Renovation Project Progress

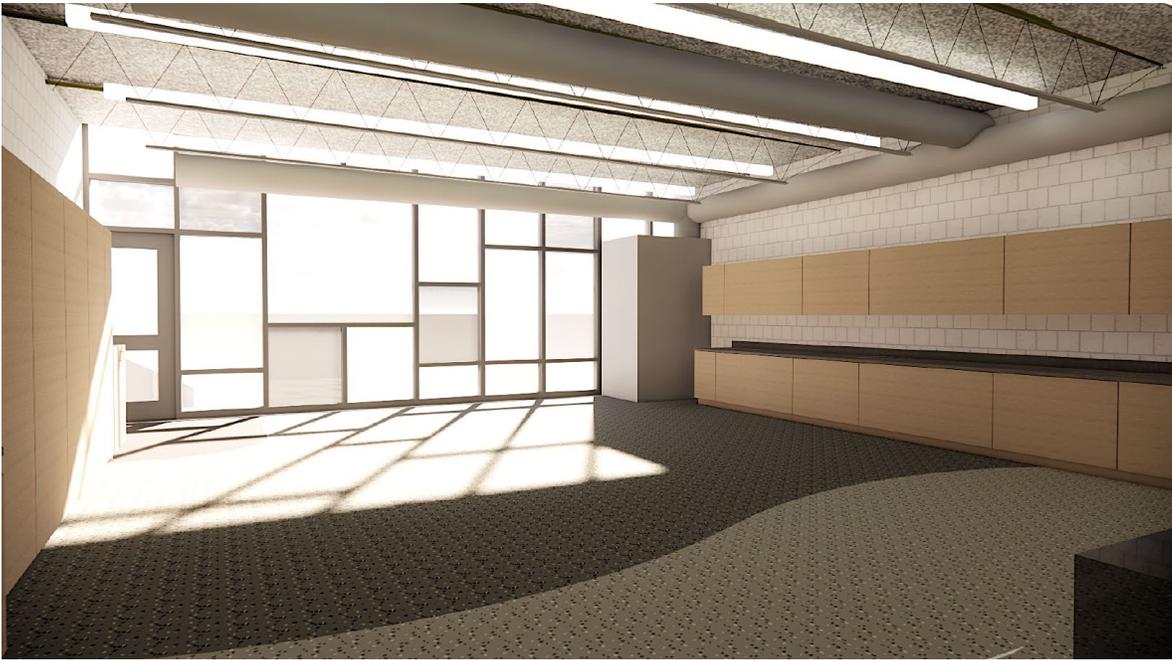
February 11, 2021

It's hard to believe that it was almost one year ago that voters generously approved \$35.6 million for significant renovations to Douglas Elementary and Saugatuck Middle School & High School. The design process at DES has been completed through the efforts of a committee of nearly 40 architects, engineers, teachers, administrators, support staff, parents and school board members. A similar committee kicked off the middle/high school design on February 10th.

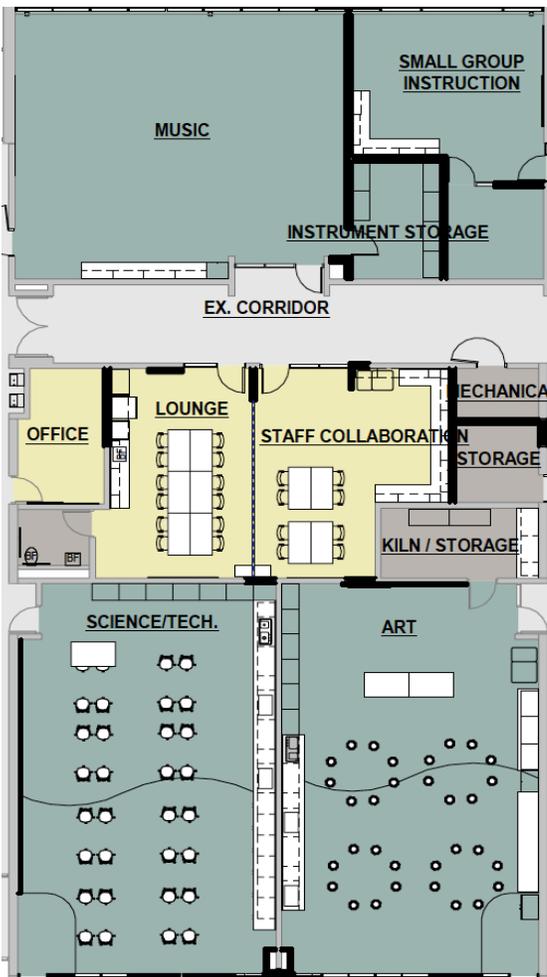
DES Construction Scheduled to Begin April 2nd



Construction is set to begin at DES during Spring Break. Several classrooms will be rearranged to accommodate the first phase of construction which will focus on the new music, science/tech and art rooms. Phase one will continue for the remainder of the 2020-21 school year. Temporary corridors will connect the south hallway at the back of the building to the gym and cafeteria.



New DES Art Room—Tentative completion December 31, 2021



New DES Music Room—Tentative Completion December 31, 2021

Currently, the DES project is slightly under budget. The first series of bonds to finance the renovations has been sold at a very competitive interest rate, saving taxpayers approximately \$3.7 million in interest costs compared to pre-bond estimates. Construction bids have been approved by the board of education and contractors are preparing to begin work on April, 2nd.

Stay tuned for future SPS Renovation Project Progress updates.

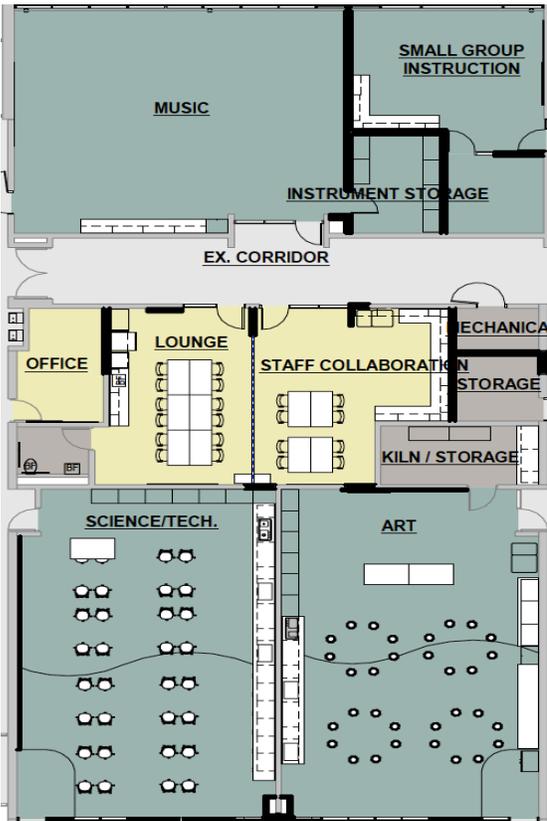
Phase 1: Art, Science/Tech, Music



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Demolition Changing the Shape of Phase I Spaces



Spaces in Phase I are changing shape. In the first month of demolition, mechanical and electrical systems have been disconnected and rerouted, the roof has been removed and some interior walls have been taken down. Can you identify these spaces?

**Phase I- Science/Technology
Music & Art**

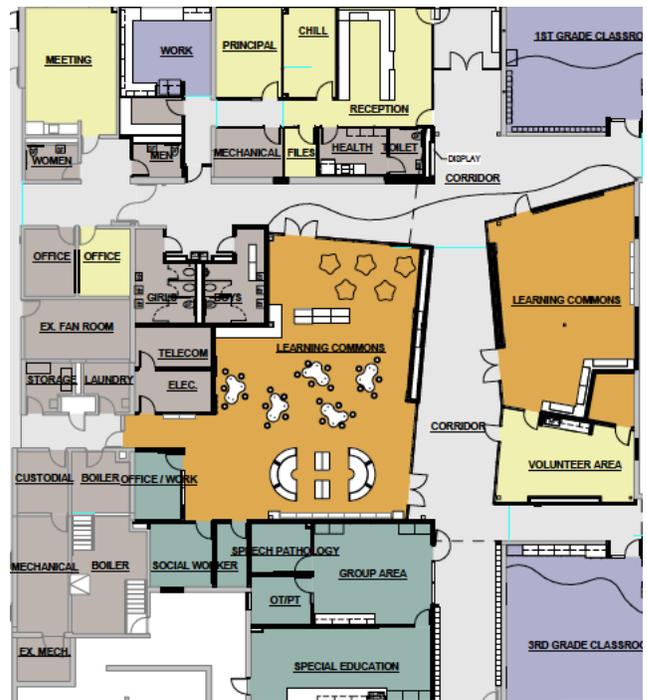
Ground Breaking Ceremony May 20th



A groundbreaking ceremony will be held at DES on May 20th to announce the beginning of construction and thank the community for making the significant renovations at DES possible.

DES Phase II Plans

Phase II of the DES project will kick off as soon as the school year is completed on June 11th. Phase II will include the new secure entrance and office, the learning commons spaces and volunteer area, the special education suite, and the four lower elementary classrooms on the north side of the building. The cafeteria will get a refresh this summer as well. The renovated art room, music room, science/technology room, small group instruction space, teacher collaboration and work space, and four lower elementary classrooms are scheduled for completion by the end of December 2021.



Middle School & High School Enters Schematic Design Phase

After three months of discovery workshops and programming meetings with a broad group of stakeholders including students, parents, faculty, staff, administration and a board member, the Middle/High School Project is entering the schematic design phase. The schematic design phase aligns a high-level budget to the proposed scope of the project prior to solidifying design decisions in the design development phase which is scheduled to be completed by August.