

Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District



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Summer 2025

John Adams Middle School

Building Tomorrow's Future: New Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Building

Construction for the new STEM building at John Adams Middle School (JAMS) is officially underway. Thanks to the community's support of [Bond Measure QS](#), this exciting project is moving forward to transform STEM learning for JAMS students.



Abatement, demolition and site work began in June 2025, immediately after the school year ended. Early activities included mobilizing the site, setting up trailers and temporary fencing, salvaging reusable materials, and surveying for site layout and underground utilities. Hazardous materials were abated, and demolition of exterior hardscape and landscaping was completed.

Teachers' materials were moved into their designated swing space classrooms. This summer's work also includes relocating the electrical switchgear from the old science building to a new standalone structure to ensure continuous power throughout the campus.



The existing science building was demolished in late summer, with materials being recycled and hauled off-site. Site utility work will continue into early fall to prepare the area for upcoming construction.

A new parking lot at the northeast corner of Will Rogers Learning Community, located next to the early childhood building opening in August 2025, will offer additional parking for JAMS staff during construction. This lot will help offset the temporary closure of parking areas near the old science, music and preschool buildings.

Construction of the new STEM building is set to begin in November 2025. The 34,000-square-foot facility will feature seven cutting-edge laboratory classrooms, an engineering lab, a makerspace, and dynamic common areas and outdoor learning spaces designed to inspire students to explore, create, and reimagine the world around them.

The SMMUSD Facility Improvement Projects (FIP) team is committed to minimizing disruptions during construction while ensuring these enhancements benefit generations of students to come.



Stay tuned for more updates as we continue to build the future of JAMS!

Read more about FIP here: <https://bit.ly/FIPHomepage>.

Learn more about the JAMS new STEM building here: <https://bit.ly/JAMSFIP>.

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"A school building is more than a physical structure providing housing, light, heat, and shelter from the elements; it is the one expression of the community's commitment to education." -Donald Leu



STEM building

Site utilities and gas line relocation in progress.



STEM building

Cleaned up courtyard in preparation for the beginning of school.



STEM building

New switchgear installed, intercepted and powers the campus.



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