

BUILDING FUTURES

FROM THE FACILITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS OFFICE
OF THE SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

FALL 2019



DISTRICT, SANTA MONICA COLLEGE BREAK GROUND ON NEW PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

A groundbreaking ceremony was held to celebrate the start of this highly anticipated project.

The Adams' auditorium was demolished in the summer in preparation for the new Performing Arts Complex. Construction on the site (above) for the new



state-of-the-art facility, a joint project with Santa Monica College has begun.

The new complex (below) will have a theater with seating for 750 and a larger stage big enough to hold an orchestra or band. The theater will include a new choir room and backstage support facilities. The complex will include a multi-purpose rehearsal room that will be used for dance, community meetings, theater rehearsals, and an expansive courtyard.

SMC is providing \$20 million in funding from Measure V and SMMUSD funding is from voter-approved Measure ES. More renderings and information are available on the [district website](#). It will be equipped with state-of-the-art lighting and a sound system capable of mimicking any acoustic

environment, from an outdoor amphitheater to an intimate chamber music setting. The PAC will host more than 150 performances each year.

As part of the Environmental Site Assessment, lead-paint residue was discovered in the soil in a small area of the site. The District properly removed the 11 cubic yards of soil in accordance with Department of Toxic Substance Control requirements. The area has been tested and the results are negative for lead contamination. See [this document](#) for more information.

MORE ON PAGE 2: AIR-CONDITIONING PROJECT 50% COMPLETE

THANK YOU

We appreciate your support as we make improvements that are paid for with funds from voter-approved bond measures ES and SMS.



Connect with SMMUSD on:

Download our mobile app: Santa Monica-Malibu USD



OTHER IMPROVEMENTS AT ADAMS

COMPLETED IN 2018



Gymnasium: Installed new gym floor, painted all surfaces, installed new volleyball poles and nets, improved boys and girls locker rooms, showers and restrooms to updated ADA compliance. Also improved staff restrooms.



Bottle-filling stations: The stations have been installed inside and outside, and encourage the use of reusable containers

instead of one-and-done plastic water bottles.



Former church property: The site at 16th and Maple was improved temporarily to support swing-space parking for the JAMS faculty during the construction of the performing arts center. The long-term use of the property is being planned.

PROGRESS ON AIR CONDITIONING



The first phase of the heating, ventilation and air-conditioning (HVAC) project has added air conditioning to approximately 50% of the campus. The second phase will provide air conditioning for the remaining indoor spaces, with completion expected next spring.

FIRE ALARM PROGRESS

The district continues to upgrade the fire alarm systems on campus, with work happening after school and on weekends. We plan to switch over to the new system in late fall. The system complies with current code and includes voice evacuation, which can reduce fear in an emergency and reduce complacency during drills.



FIELD DRAINAGE ISSUE REPAIRED



After a vexing problem with flooding during last winter's heavy rains, the district discovered a blockage in drains that carry water from the new (finished in the summer of 2018) artificial-turf field. Repairs have been made, and we will monitor closely during weather events this winter.