



Northcutt Elementary School

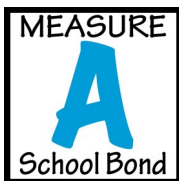
What's Been Accomplished

In 2012, the underground utility infrastructure was replaced with systems that will enhance the physical support needed for today's classrooms. New electrical service and larger panels will serve the schools increased demand for power. New water lines and larger gas lines have significantly improved the capabilities of the buildings while at the same time creating a sharp reduction in maintenance call outs. Existing sewer lines were camera inspected and found to be in good shape. During Summer 2013, one set of student restrooms were extensively remodeled to meet Federal disability access requirements (ADA). The restroom renovations included re-piping of all water and sewer lines along with brand new sinks, toilets, partitions, dispensers, tile, paint, lighting, and larger exhaust fans.

With the close of the 13/14 school year, extensive renovation began at three major areas of use. The administration building has undergone extensive demolition of old flooring, replacement of doors and door hardware including thresholds. Cabinetry was refurbished, new flooring installed and all interiors received a fresh coat of paint. Kindergarten classrooms are undergoing similar work including the renovation of student restrooms, new carpeting and flooring, cabinet refurbishment, paint, doors and hardware. The third area is the multi-purpose room with cabinet work, new doors and hardware, new fire alarms along with smoke and heat detectors. The existing flooring is in acceptable condition and does not need replacement. The fire alarm system will be up-



Prep work for path of travel



graded and replaced in the kitchen. Work in this phase is expected to be done by mid to late August.

The second phase of construction began in early July and will take approximately two months to complete.



Framing of kinder restrooms

These classrooms will have new fire alarm systems complete with smoke detectors, heat detectors, strobes and alarms integrated into an automatic addressable system. Rooms will receive new paint, carpet, magnetic white-

boards, and tack boards for display of student work or visual learning exhibits. The classrooms will now comply with ADA by having walkways around campus replaced as needed. The rooms will have new doors and hardware that is compliant. Lastly, accessible sinks, drinking fountains and cabinetry will be replaced and/or modified to meet ADA.

As modernization of buildings is completed, high speed wireless internet access points and additional hard wired network data drops for connectivity are installed. In addition, new VOIP phones are provided in every classroom along with an internet based digital clock-bell-paging system that allows for integration with emergency notification systems for emergency situations.

What's Ahead at Northcutt

It is anticipated that Phase One should be completed by the end of August and Phase Two by mid-September. Phase Three, which is further classroom renovation, is expected to kick off after school begins.

Should you have any questions about the Measure A Modernization program or the work being done at Northcutt, please call Facilities at 714-663-6442 or email us at facilities@ggusd.us.