Summer 2014



Heritage 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.

In early 2014, Phase One began with the renovation of ten classrooms. This early start date was due to a requirement of the Division of State Architect that work be steadily done to avoid invalidation of the certification stamp by DSA. Since no work was done in 2013, progress needed to be started early in 2014.

The ten classrooms now have new fire alarm systems complete with smoke detectors, heat detectors, strobes and alarms integrated into an automatic address-

system. able Rooms have new paint, carpet, magnetic whiteboards, and tack boards for display of student work or visual learning exhibits. The classrooms now comply with **Federal access**



Demolition of Office Workroom

requirements (ADA) by having walkways around campus replaced as needed. The rooms have new doors and hardware that are compliant. Lastly, classroom sinks, drinking fountains and cabinetry were replaced and or/ modified to meet ADA. Additionally, student restrooms at the end of building wings 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. The second phase of construction began in May and took approximately seven weeks to complete. This plan involved the renovation of eight classrooms. 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

ADA drinking fountains

of paint. Demolition of an office workroom is also being done this summer as the workroom was not code compliant.

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 multipurpose room with cabinet work, new doors and hardware, new fire alarms along with smoke and heat detectors. The existing flooring was is in poor condition and must be replaced. A wheelchair lift will also be installed to provide access to the stage. The fire alarm system will be upgraded and replaced in the kitchen. Work in this phase is expected to be done by mid to late August.

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-bellpaging system that allows for integration with emergency notification systems for emergency situations.

What's Ahead at Heritage

The final phase of construction will begin in early July and take approximately two months to complete. Heritage's modernization will be substantially complete September 2014.

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

Modernization Update