

**TAMALPAIS UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Larkspur, California**

**BOND MODERNIZATION PROGRAM**  
**FALL 2003 UPDATE**

Visitors to (and occupants of) the District's three comprehensive campuses can clearly see the results of modernization construction activity that has taken place over the last few months. Some contracts have been successfully completed; others are underway; and the rest of the program's main projects are scheduled to bid by Summer 2004. Here's a site-by-site update:

At **Tam High School**, Increment 2 (renovation of Gus Gym, boys' and girls' locker rooms, science portable and Palmer Hall) is nearing completion. Work in these areas has been extensive: asbestos abatement; new mechanical and plumbing throughout; door and hardware repair / replacement; new lights; and new walls in many locations. Palmer Hall will have a new elevator, and the locker rooms will each have new showers, accessible restrooms, and a new classroom / team room space.

The Increment 2 schedule has slipped from its original target date because of previously undiscovered structural conditions, dry rot, and routine construction challenges. Delays in procurement will leave the new bleachers un-installed until after occupancy, but the contractor will install temporary bleachers to allow the site to use Gus Gym by the end of December. Palmer Hall is scheduled for move-in the week of January 5.

Tam's Increment 3, the main project, has been bid and will go to the Board for award on November 25. The scope of this increment includes standard modernization (abatement, lights, floors, mechanical systems, general repairs, and paint) as well as relocation of the campus's main distribution facility for technology. Phase 1 of this increment is scheduled to start in Hoetger and Phoenix Halls in mid-January, after those classes are moved out to the portables.

Increment 4, which includes the new theater, Keyser Hall, Ruby Scott Gym, the Student Center, Benefield, and the weight room, is in final design and is expected to go to bid in Spring 2004.

**Redwood High School** is currently completing Phase 1 of Increment 2 (the main project), and has begun work on Phase 2. The Phase 1 classrooms (new science, shop and art) and counseling center were not quite ready when they were re-occupied in August and mid-September, causing some disruption to instruction, but the entire team continues to work hard to make the new spaces fully functional.

The other component of Phase 1, the Gym, is scheduled to open for instruction on Monday, November 24. The Gym has a brand-new maple hardwood floor, new bleachers, new basketball backboards and hoops, new scoreboards, new fire sprinklers, new heaters, and fresh paint. A grand opening is scheduled for sometime in December. Locker rooms have new restroom facilities, upgraded coaches' offices, new heating system, new lights, and a fresh coat of paint. The large storage building (the "Butler" Building) behind the southwest corner of the Gym is also complete, and the new portable classroom directly behind the girls' locker room is nearing completion.

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Phase 2 abatement is essentially complete, and the west wing of the main building has been gutted. In addition to abatement, the scope of work for this phase (as with future phases) includes new windows (which can be easily seen from the West Parking Lot); new lights, ceilings, heating units, floors, door hardware, casework, and paint, along with some minor reconfiguration in the first floor administration wing. Phase 2 is currently scheduled for completion in January 2004.

Other Phase 2 work involves placement of three modular classrooms between the main building and the shop building. The buildings arrived on site on Monday, November 17; completion of these buildings is currently scheduled for January.

**Drake High School's** Increment 2, renovation of Building 500, has been essentially completed, with six classrooms spaces (photo, ceramics, two art classes, shop and computer lab) occupied at the end of the summer. An open house to dedicate this building is scheduled for December 9, starting at 4:00 in Building 500.

Increment 3, the main project, is moving through the campus in phases. The scope for this main project is standard modernization: new floors, ceilings, lights, casework, window walls, new heating systems, paint, and whatever doors were not completed in Increment 1.

Phase 1, which covers portions of Wings 200, 300 and 400, as well as the permanent portables, is nearing completion and is scheduled for re-occupancy in late November or early December. The most notable components of Phase 1 are two new science classrooms at the west end of Wing 300 and the relocation of the three permanent portables to their new home behind the Theater. This move allows the campus to re-gain badly needed parking spaces in the vicinity of the Theater and Devonshire Hall.

Increment 4, which includes the Gym complex and the new cafeteria / Student Center, is in final design and is expected to go to bid in Spring 2004.

The **Fields Projects** are also scheduled to go to bid in early 2004, with Redwood starting in January, followed shortly thereafter by Drake and Tam. All fields will be under construction through calendar year 2004, with the football / track components scheduled to be completed in late Summer / early Fall. The Board's final review of the fields projects is scheduled for Tuesday, November 25, starting at 4:30 in the Kreps auditorium.

From a **financial** perspective, the District is pleased to report that the modernization program is still within budget. Overruns in bids and change orders on some projects have been offset by bid and change order savings on other projects. State funds and reserves have been carefully and systematically approved by Board action, and the Modernization Team will present another financial update to the Board in December.

As always, questions about the modernization program may be addressed to Director V-Anne Chernock, 415-924-7624, [vchernock@tuhsd.marin.k12.ca.us](mailto:vchernock@tuhsd.marin.k12.ca.us). Watch this site for monthly updates.