



Mariemont City School District “Building on Excellence” Frequently Asked Questions October 2019

With the passage of the operating and permanent improvement levy on November 6, 2018, voters showed their commitment to maintaining the excellence that defines Mariemont City Schools. Now we transition into a period of “Building on Excellence”, a time to take the excellence already established in our schools and build on it with the Mariemont High School Facility Project. Here are a few answers to some of the most frequently asked questions about the project and the transition period.

Q: What is the timeline for construction at Mariemont High School?

A: The Mariemont High School facility project began Construction Phase 2A in the summer of 2019. This includes the demolition of the old building and the construction of the new academic wing. This phase of the project is scheduled to be completed in the summer of 2020 when Phase 2B (arts/athletics wing renovations, system replacements) will commence. The MHS Facility Project is currently projecting on time and within budget.

Q: What will the new academic wing of Mariemont High School look like upon completion?

A: Updated interior and exterior renderings of Mariemont High School are available to view on the district’s website, www.mariemontschools.org, in the MHS Facility Project page.

Q: How long will classes be held in the modular units and temporary classroom spaces in the auxiliary gym?

A: Upon completion of Construction Phase 2A in the summer of 2020, most classrooms will transition into the new academic wing of Mariemont High School and modular units will be removed from the MHS campus. In order to accommodate for the classrooms that will be affected by Construction Phase 2B, the temporary classrooms in the auxiliary gym will remain through the 2020-21 school year.

Q: Will the athletics facilities and auditorium be open during construction?

A: The main gymnasium, auditorium and natatorium will remain open and available for use during the 2019-2020 school year. The auditorium will be closed for renovation during most of the 2020-2021 school year pending final scope and construction timelines.

Q: Why is there a pole in the middle of the new access drive along Wooster Pike?

A: The light pole is an existing pole for the traffic light at the intersection of Wooster and the Promenade shopping center. The district is working with Turner Construction and the Ohio Department of Transportation to move the pole out of the roadway by the time the it will be open to regular traffic in the fall of 2020.

Q: When will students be able to use the new secondary drive?

A: The secondary drive will serve as a construction-only entrance during construction but will be open to all high school traffic upon completion of the project.

Q: Where will graduation be held while the building is under construction?

A: Kusel stadium and the main gymnasium will be functional, allowing for the traditional on-campus graduation ceremonies in 2019 and beyond.