



Bishop Public School

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Dear Families,

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The following is an update and timeline for the new Bishop Middle School that is anticipated to open for the 2024-2025 School Year. We are eager to start and complete the project.

- ❖ Construction Manager, CMS Willowbrook: The middle school was bid on October 6, 2022. The project came in substantially over budget by approximately \$2,000,000. CMS Willowbrook immediately contacted all the apparent low bidders in an attempt to see how we could revise some of the building materials and/or scope of work to get the project into budget. However, it was determined we would not be able to achieve the amount of savings necessary with current documents. Due to this determination the building size was revised from 20,000 Square Feet to 15,000 Square Feet.
- ❖ 2023 FEMA Grant: The school has applied for a \$2,500,000 FEMA Grant for a storm shelter that can double as classrooms. When approved, construction of the 5,000 Square Feet storm shelter / classrooms will be added onto the North end of the 15,000 square feet building; bringing the project back to a 20,000 square feet building. The storm shelter facility will not be a separate building.
- ❖ CWA architect: The architect is working on the design revisions. We should receive the revised documents within the next 6 weeks. We will start advertising for bids around the end of April 2023 and bid around the middle of May 2023. Construction is anticipated to begin in the June/July 2023 time frame. The construction process will take approximately 12 months.

If you have any questions please stop by or call the office. Thank you for your continued support.

Very Respectfully,

Howard Hampton
Superintendent