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Demolition of Cardiff School Slated to Start

Campus will be closed to the general public once work commences

Cardiff by the Sea, CA (June 10, 2019) – [Cardiff School District](#) announced today that demolition of the 60-70 year old buildings on the Cardiff School campus will take place this summer. With the end of the school year drawing near, Cardiff School District staff is gearing up for the long-awaited start to the Cardiff School rebuild project. The week of June 17, second and third grade teachers will be moved to the Ada Harris campus, and kindergarten and first grade teachers will be relocating within the Cardiff School campus to temporary classrooms ahead of the campus going dark for the summer so that the rebuild project can officially get underway.

Construction fences will go up immediately thereafter in advance of mobilization and the property will be closed off to the general public for the duration of construction as a safety precaution. The Cardiff School District Office will work out of the Ada Harris School office for the summer and will return to the Cardiff School campus when the school offices reopen on August 13.

The project will commence with on-site mobilization of construction equipment and then demolition of the existing school buildings will take place. Grading and undergrounding of utilities will follow and will be completed by mid-August. Construction is scheduled to begin in the fall of 2019 keeping with the District's anticipated construction timeline.

"It has been a long road to get here, but we're finally ready to begin delivering on what we promised Cardiff voters when they passed Measure GG," said Cardiff School District Board President Siena Randall. "By spring of 2021, Cardiff School students will have a fresh new campus built to the highest safety standards and designed to maximize their learning environment."

After the bond was approved in late 2016, the District worked closely with teachers, staff and the community to collaboratively design the new campus while keeping the hometown charm of the current site intact. In addition, the District opted to voluntarily prepare an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) as part of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review process as a way to demonstrate its dedication to providing an environmentally sound project.

The District continues to work to resolve an issue stemming from a grant accepted more than 25 years ago by the City of Encinitas and the District to improve the school's playfields at the time. The grant agreement language currently precludes the District from building any structures within the

boundaries established by the grant agreement; however, a process exists to adjust this requirement when needed to address past and present construction.

While this grant issue is being ironed out, the District has agreed to hold off building the multipurpose room and parking lot, which would overlap with a small portion of the north playfield and the current grant boundaries. “We look forward to resolving the grant issue and delivering these final two components,” said Randall.

Please continue to check the District website at www.cardiffschools.com/measureGG for updates. An app will soon be available that will allow interested community members to follow the project and receive regular updates.

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