

Superintendent's Corner

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I am happy to report that we are currently slightly ahead of schedule on the construction of the new high school (HS) and new elementary school (ES). I am amazed at how frequently our new buildings are changing and growing. This is a very exciting time in the CCS!

As promised, I have included in this week's Corner a list of new technology and safety equipment being installed in our new ES and HS. Many of these items are not only designed to control access to the building but also for fire safety. Although this list is somewhat comprehensive, details of the equipment on several items have not yet been finalized.

Exterior

- Emergency access drive around all facilities
- Robust camera system for campus security

Buildings

- Robust camera system for building security
- Latest technology in fire suppression systems
- Electronic access controls: All exterior doors and many interior doors are electronically controlled and monitored
- All exterior doors – default position is LOCKED
- Doubly secure entry vestibules equipped with a voice activated camera and a “buzzer” system that allows visitors to enter only into the office area
- All exterior doors are electronically monitored by a door position switch; if left open an audio alert is sent to the office
- Classroom doors are constructed as solid core wood doors with emergency lockdown thumb lock on latch side of door
- Small center-positioned piece of glass
- Emergency Lockdown Notification System: these “pull stations”; much like fire alarm “pull stations”, will be located throughout the buildings. (*Currently in the design phase*)
- E-911 Phone System: this is an electronic communication system that would automatically alert all emergency responders and key district personnel in the event of an emergency. (*Currently in the design phase*)

I would like to commend our Board of Education and the architects from SHP Leading Design for providing these additional building security items for the sole purpose of providing a future safe learning environment for our students.

As always, if you have questions on any district issues, please give me a call.



