

Dear Wayside Middle School Neighbors,

We are excited to see construction on the new Wayside Middle School get underway! As the construction contractor begins mobilizing today, May 1, we want to make sure our school neighbors are aware of the project and its impacts.

The replacement campus, approved by voters in the 2023 Bond election, is being built on the site of the former EMS ISD Administration building, just south of the current Wayside building and grounds and across from Bryson Elementary School. The new Wayside campus will provide our community with a modern building and facilities designed to support the Wayside legacy of high-quality instruction, competitive athletics and award-winning fine arts and accommodate enrollment growth in our desirable area.

During construction, for the safety of students, staff and the community, there will be no access to the track, tennis courts, fields and open spaces, or parking lots and drives around Wayside and the former administration building. We apologize for this inconvenience, because we know many in our community use these spaces when school is not in session, but as always, safety is our highest priority.

The new school building is expected to open in January 2026, but construction will continue through the summer of 2026 on the outdoor athletic areas. Once construction is complete, we look forward to providing our community with a quality field, track and tennis courts that will again be available for use by the public when school is not in session. Thank you for your patience during this time.

Information about the project is available at <u>www.emsisd.com/newwayside</u> on the Bond Program Progess website. For construction site questions, please email <u>wayside@pogueconstruction.com</u> or contact EMS ISD administration through the *Let's Talk!* online system available through the district website at <u>www.emsisd.com</u>.

Thank you for your continued support of EMS ISD and Wayside Middle School. Through the 2023 Bond Program, exciting progress is underway for the future of our community!

Respectfully,

Eagle Mountain-Saginaw ISD Administration