



Facilities Update

Cincinnati Public Schools

CPS' three newest buildings with their principals, left to right: Mary Ann Bernier (Midway), Christina Russo (Winton Hills) and Vicki Graves-Hill (Roll Hill).

Facilities Master Plan: What's Happening Now

Construction continues, as CPS' 10-year, \$985-million Facilities Master Plan enters its third year.

This fall:

- Four new buildings break ground — new Roberts Paideia Academy, new Shroder High School, new Frederick Douglass School, and new George W. Hays School.
- Seven new buildings begin design — Academy of World Languages, Bond Hill Academy, Carson School, Fairview German Language School, Mt. Airy School, Pleasant Ridge School and South Avondale School.
- A full renovation starts at Kilgour School.
- Eight buildings will be demolished to make space for new schools.

Exciting School Buildings Opening As Anchors For Students, Community

The new look of Cincinnati Public Schools' campuses — attractive, efficient, modern, community-oriented buildings — is drawing attention around the district, as more new buildings are readied for students and more construction starts up.

Three new buildings — Midway School, Roll Hill Academy and Winton Hills Academy — opened on August 23; four more new buildings are scheduled for completion this school year; and one full renovation is finishing up.

CPS' new schools are distinctive, eye-catching buildings, with technology-ready classrooms and stand-out architectural features that provide an abundance of natural light, and include courtyards that invite outdoor learning, and welcoming rotundas. As state-of-the-art, 21st-century schoolhouses, these buildings quickly will become local landmarks and community anchors.

The three newest buildings join the new Rockdale Academy in Avondale — which greeted students in January 2005 as CPS' first new building since 1982. All four are community learning centers designed to serve families and the community beyond the school day. Community learning centers are a collection of partners offering academic programs, enrichment and support services needed to enhance education and wanted by a community.

For example, the new Midway School is partnering with Cincinnati Early Learning Centers to provide after-school day care for Midway students, and the new Winton Hills Academy is continuing its partnerships with the Civic Garden Center and the nearby Winton Hills Medical Center and Cincinnati Recreation Center.

The new schools also are designed with classroom wings separated from the school's common areas so the community can use such spaces. All new schools also have full-service gymnasiums, art and music rooms, and computer labs.

The community learning center concept is about building "bridges and relationships, and reaching out in strategic ways to bring in programs and activities that will enrich education," said Mary Ann Bernier, Midway's principal.

"It's all about opening our facility for more public use while thinking about how we can help parents do more for their children," Bernier said.

Open Now!

From the new Midway School's tower entrance to Winton Hills Academy's new facade of bright blue tile and the new Roll Hill Academy's distinctive white stone bands, these new buildings quickly are becoming local landmarks and community anchors.

Midway School

3156 Glenmore Avenue · Westwood · Dedicated: Sept. 2, 2005



"Our commons area is a warm and welcoming space — the school's heart."

Principal Mary Ann Bernier

Computers labs enhance the teaching of technology.



Abundant natural light floods into Midway's 3,200-square-foot commons area through a hexagon-shaped opening topped by a 12-foot by 12-foot skylight (above). Children will eat lunch here on school days, and it will serve as the seating area for student and community events. There is a stage at the far end.



Soft pastel colors greet students and visitors inside Midway School, such as the warm pink wall with music notes and the yellow and blue floor tiles that lead into the music room.

Midway School is built on a residential scale, using familiar red brick and arched windows and entrances that echo the Tudor-style homes of the surrounding neighborhood.



The spacious entrance area (left), enhanced with blue and green floor tiles, welcomes visitors into the main office and commons area.

Special classrooms are designed for specific uses, such as music instruction.



Winton Hills Academy

5300 Winneste Avenue · Winton Hills · Dedicated: Sept. 15, 2005



"The children asked for the new school to be bright and colorful, and we listened to them."

Principal Christina Russo



Blue tile (above) glimmers along the school's front wall and offers a bright welcome to students and visitors. Natural light fills the building, much of it streaming through windows facing two interior, open-air courtyards that beckon students and teachers outside for gardening and other learning activities.



The stage (above) is centered between the cafeteria and the larger gymnasium so it can be used from either side depending on the size of the audience.

Superintendent Rosa Blackwell (right) shares a lesson with students inside the computer lab.





Floor tiles form playful patterns all around Roll Hill, such as the black-and-white checks in the cafeteria/auditorium (left). The checkered pattern continues in splashes along hallways, accented with orange and purple stripes and other colorful shapes.

The stage is set between the cafeteria and the larger gymnasium, so it can be used from either side.

■ Roll Hill Academy

2411 Baltimore Avenue • North Fairmount • Dedication: Oct. 6, 2005



A glass-front office creates a welcoming space for parents and visitors. The office opens off the school's "Main Street," a wide hallway that leads visitors past areas such as the cafeteria, gym, art and music rooms and into the classroom area.



"There's such an open, airy feeling in our school, with lots of sunlight. It's an inviting feeling."

Principal Vicki Graves-Hill

Classrooms follow the CPS model, with four enclosed classrooms clustered around an extended learning area that teachers can use for a variety of activities. Restrooms and drinking fountains are located close to the classroom clusters.

Roll Hill's perch atop a hill presents a dramatic view to approaching visitors.



A 5,763-square-foot gymnasium houses a wooden-floor basketball court with a scoreboard and 200 bleacher seats, and space for volleyball and full- and half-court basketball.

Opened

New Rockdale PreK-8 (Avondale) — Opened January 3, 2005, an 86,160-square-foot school for 650 students.

Architect: *GBBN Architects Inc. + WA Inc.*
Building Construction Cost: \$13,985,500

New Midway PreK-8 (Westwood) — Opened August 23, 2005, a 76,800-square-foot school for 550 students.

Architect: *Voorhis, Slone, Welsh, Crossland Architects, Inc.*
Building Construction Cost: \$13,356,490

New Roll Hill PreK-8 (North Fairmount) — Opened August 23, 2005, an 84,000-square-foot school for 650 students.

Architect: *Roth Partnership/Lesko Associates*
Building Construction Cost: \$11,047,765

New Winton Hills PreK-8 (Winton Hills) — Opened August 23, 2005, a 66,001-square-foot school for 450 students.

Architect: *BHDP Architecture*
Building Construction Cost: \$10,118,220

Opening Soon

New Pleasant Hill PreK-8 (College Hill) — Opening October 2005, an 84,000-square-foot school for 650 students.

Architect: *Burgess & Niple Limited*
Building Construction Cost: \$10,624,974

New Riverview East PreK-12 (Columbia Tusculum) — Opening January 2006, a 105,000-square-foot school for 615 students.

Architect: *SFA Architects, Inc. + Alexander Camabeau & Associates*
Building Construction Cost: \$17,653,731

Cheviot, Renovation and Addition PreK-8 (Cheviot) — Addition under construction, for 74,000-square-foot school for 550 students. Work on the addition finishes November 2005; students move into new addition during Winter Recess 2005 so renovation on main building can begin. Renovation finishes August 2006.

Architect: *Glaserworks*
Building Construction Cost: \$12,477,128

New Rees E. Price PreK-8 (Price Hill) — An 84,000-square-foot school for 650 students. Whittier School will occupy this building starting August 2006 while new school built on Whittier site. Construction finishes February 2006.

Architect: *McGill Smith Punshon Inc. and DeJong*
Building Construction Cost: \$10,808,812

New Woodward 9-12 (Bond Hill) — A 261,870-square-foot school for 1,200 students with three wings designed for new school's three career-technical programs. Wing A nearing completion, finishing October 2005. Wing B's masonry walls going up. Wing C's drywall being installed. Exterior glazing on Media Center begun. Construction began Spring 2004; finishes February 2006.

Architect: *Steed Hammond Paul + DHArchitects*
Building Construction Cost: \$38,183,556

Under Construction

New Millvale PreK-8 (Cumminsville) — Site work under way on a 66,001-square-foot school for 450 students. Construction began Summer 2005; finishes November 2006.

Architect: *URS Corp.*
Building Construction Cost: \$8,933,531

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Progress On Individual Schools

(All dates are estimates. Projects are listed roughly in order of completion.)

New Schroder 7-12 (Madisonville) — Site work under way on a 98,000-square-foot school for 600 students on Duck Creek Road site. Construction begins Fall 2005; finishes January 2007.

Architect: *Voorhis, Slone, Welsh, Crossland Architects, Inc.*
Building Construction Cost: \$13,553,589

New Roberts PreK-8 (Price Hill) — Schematic design approved June 2004, on a 95,000-square-foot school for 750 students. Construction begins October 2005; finishes February 2007.

Architect: *McGill Smith Punshon Inc. and DeJong*
Building Construction Cost: \$12,193,180

New Douglass PreK-8 (Walnut Hills) — Project will be bid in October 2005 for 74,000-square-foot school for 550 students. Construction begins January 2006; finishes Spring 2007.

Architect: *DNK Architects + DH Architects*
Building Construction Cost: \$10,755,386

New Hays PreK-8 (West End) — Demolition of former Porter/Hays complex finished, allowing space for 66,001-square-foot school for 450 students. Project is being designed. Construction begins in 2006; finishes Summer 2007.

Architect: *Moody/Nolan Inc.*
Building Construction Cost: \$11,900,000

Withrow Renovation 9-12 (Hyde Park) — Work under way renovating wings A & B for Withrow International, finishing January 2006. Renovation begins January 2006 in wings C & D for Withrow University, finishing January 2007. New kitchen and cafeteria under way, finishing January 2006. New gymnasium under construction, finishing June 2006. Demolition of Vocational Building slated for January 2007. Project began April 2005; finishes Summer 2007.

Architect: *Cole+Russell and Fanning/Howey*
Building Construction Cost: \$29,442,591

Up Next

New Academy of World Languages PreK-8 (Evanston) — Design plans in progress on 84,145-square-foot school for 650 students, to be built on current site. Demolition of current building scheduled for September 2005. Students moved to 2240 Baltimore Avenue in North Fairmount until new building completed. Construction begins Spring 2006; finishes Summer 2007.

Architect: *McGill Smith Punshon Inc.*
Building Construction Cost: \$11,433,014

New Fairview PreK-6 (Clifton) — Design plans approved August 2005 on 84,143-square-foot school for 650 students, to be built on site of Clifton School's south building. Demolition of building on site scheduled for September 2005. Construction begins Spring 2006; finishes Summer 2007.

Architect: *Glaserworks*
Building Construction Cost: \$11,461,757

Kilgour Renovation and Addition PreK-6 (Mt. Lookout) — Design plans in progress for 23,630-square-foot addition and full renovation of the existing building for a school for 450 students. Students moved to 3401 Edwards Road, (cont.)

Hyde Park, until work completed. Construction begins Spring 2006; finishes Fall 2007.

Architect: *Champlin/Haupt Architects, Inc.*
Building Construction Cost: \$7,945,393

New South Avondale PreK-8 (Avondale) — Design plans in progress for 84,143-square-foot school for 650 students, to be built on current site. Demolition of old building slated for September 2005. Students moved to 305 Rockdale Avenue, Avondale, until new building completed. Construction begins Spring 2006; finishes October 2007.

Architect: *ATA Beilharz Architects*
Building Construction Cost: \$11,346,955

New Mt. Airy PreK-8 (Mt. Airy) — Design plans in progress on 84,144-square-foot school for 650 students, to be built on current site. Students move Fall 2005 to 1402 W. North Bend Road, College Hill, until new school completed. Demolition of old building scheduled for January 2006. Construction begins Spring 2006; finishes November 2007.

Architect: *DHArchitects Inc.*
Building Construction Cost: \$11,346,955

New Bond Hill PreK-8 (Bond Hill) — Design plans in progress on 66,102-square-foot school for 450 students, to be built on current site. Demolition of old building scheduled for September 2005. Students moved to 6701 Elbrook Drive, Amberley Village, until new building completed. Construction begins Summer 2006; finishes December 2007.

Architect: *Steed Hammond Paul + DHArchitects*
Building Construction Cost: \$8,922,937

New Carson PreK-8 (Price Hill) — Design plans in progress on 75,310-square-foot school for 550 students to be built on current campus, which will be enlarged. Construction begins Spring 2006; finishes December 2007.

Architect: *GBBN Architects Inc.*
Building Construction Cost: \$10,178,794

New Pleasant Ridge PreK-8 (Pleasant Ridge) — Design plans in progress on 75,310-square-foot school for 550 students to be built on current site, which will be enlarged. Demolition of old building scheduled for Fall 2005. Construction begins Summer 2006; finishes December 2007.

Architect: *Steed Hammond Paul + DHArchitects*
Building Construction Cost: \$10,178,794

New Washington Park PreK-8 (Over-the-Rhine) — Design plans in progress for 66,001-square-foot school for 450 students. School will be built on 2.93 acres between Walnut and Vine, and 13th and 14th streets. Construction begins late 2006; finishes 2008.

Architect: *KZF Design + Feinknopf Macioce Schappa*
Building Construction Cost: \$10,754,761

For more details and to view architectural drawings, as they are available, visit our Web site:

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(Click on "Facilities Master Plan," then click on "Individual Schools.")

Diverse Businesses Gain Bigger Share Of CPS' Construction Contracts



CPS' first Women in Construction Conference this summer provided information about doing business with CPS and networking opportunities.

What's Happening Now Supplier Diversity Program and Facilities Master Plan:

- Construction contracts – 29%, or \$21.9 million through June 30, 2005, awarded to minority-owned small businesses and minority women-owned businesses, a 265% increase over the last year.
- Work hours – 20.9% performed by minority construction workers (cumulative, all work as of June 2005.)
- Architectural and engineering contracts – 35.4% awarded to Disadvantaged Business Enterprises.

For more information on Supplier Diversity, including online registration, visit our Web site:

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Cincinnati Public Schools continues to reach out to a wider number of companies, as the district involves more minorities and small-business owners in its Facilities Master Plan (FMP).

Through CPS' Supplier Diversity Program, the district is reaching out to more business owners. Offering workshops, training sessions and other networking opportunities, CPS is helping owners become more familiar with the district's bid requirements and application process.

The result: More companies, especially small businesses and minority-owned businesses, and more minority workers are getting a share of the district's \$985-million, 10-year rebuilding plan.

The district's efforts are credited in 2004-05 with bringing a 265 percent increase in the number of minority-owned small businesses and minority women-owned businesses winning FMP contracts. That is 29 percent of the year's overall construction contracts, which is above the 25 percent participation goal set by CPS' Board.

A goal of CPS' Supplier Diversity Program is to enlarge the pool of small businesses and minority-owned businesses that are capable of bidding and participating in the district's large, and often complex, construction

projects. Toward that goal, CPS partnered with Procter & Gamble Co. and Allied Construction Industries in 2004-05 to establish the Cincinnati Construction Technical Support Center. The center graduated its first class of 12 minority and women business owners this year. The nine-month program aims to help small companies improve their technical capabilities and establish business connections with larger companies.

Other ways the CPS' Supplier Diversity Program reaches out:

- Monthly committee meetings allow CPS staff the opportunity to explain how to do business with CPS.
- Language added to bid documents spells out the district's requirements for the inclusion of minorities and women.
- Free online registration allows easy access to the program for minority-owned, women-owned and small and economically disadvantaged businesses.
- Educational workshops bring together business owners to discuss ways to remove obstacles to doing business with the district.

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