



Saint Paul
PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Location: 707 Holly Ave., Saint Paul, MN 55104

Grades: PreK-8

Proposed enrollment: PK-5: 450; Middle school: 450

Project website: spps.org/obama-builds

Project summary

Project number: 3210-23-01

Funding: Certificates of Participation, Long Term Facilities Maintenance

Project type: Renovations and remodel

Square footage:

- Existing: 156,344 SF
- Proposed: 161,539 SF

SPPS project team:

- Michelle Bergman Aho, Project Manager
- Jhalil Payne, Project Coordinator

Design team: Snow Kreilich Architects

Construction management: H+U

Project scope

- Construction project is an outcome of [Envision SPPS](#); will house both the Montessori PreK-5 program currently located at JJ Hill along with a new, independent middle school
- Renovation of general learning space, gym, cafeteria, media center, art room, administration office
- New identifiable and secure entry, parent room, kitchen addition, [inclusive restrooms](#)
- New electrical and mechanical systems

New this month

- Nine contracts were approved at the December Board of Education meeting; the remaining contracts will be presented at the January Board meeting.
- The demo permit was issued in December; interior demo work is moving quickly in the east tower with the third floor almost complete and lower floors following closely behind. In January, demo work will begin in the center building.
- City of St Paul is reviewing the building permit for work in bid package 2.

January 2024 - Project Financial Information

Original Budget	Committed Costs	Invoiced to Date	Construction Award	Construction Cost Changes	% Change	Total Forecasted Cost	Construction % Complete (as invoiced)
\$72,300,000	\$9,446,683	\$2,646,230	Pending	\$0	0%	\$72,300,000	0%

Project Timeline

Phase: <i>Planning</i> → <i>Design</i> →					<i>Construction</i> →
BOE Gate Check:	Five Year Plan	Project Charter	Budget Approval	Contract Award	Closeout
Key dates:	✓ March 2021	✓ Aug. 2022	✓ Jan. 2023	✓ Winter 2023-24	☐ Fall 2025

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Third floor demolition (December 2023)