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HELLGATE HIGH SCHOOL

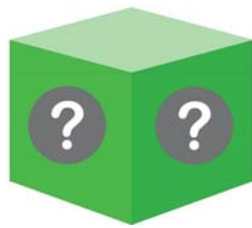
QUESTION AND ANSWER GUIDE

A SCHOOL IN TRANSITION: FAMILY GUIDE



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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

When will construction take place?

- The construction process is already underway and it will continue until October 2018.

What will happen during the two year construction process?

- Currently, the school is working on the service courtyard accessed off Connell Avenue. This area will be the future site of the two-story learning commons. There is also updated wiring and network construction happening in certain areas of the building.

Summer 2017

- Significant construction will occur on the first floor in the classrooms between the main entrance and the new gym. The ceiling of the old gym will go through an abatement process as well. When students return in August, most of the first floor will be walled off for construction with the exception of room 126 which will remain open during the construction process. The ceiling rafters of the old gym will be exposed and rough during the 17-18 school year.
- The auditorium will receive seismic upgrades, this area will be open to students during the 17-18 school year, but will look rough and unfinished during construction
- In the 2017-18 school year, the school will function with 10 fewer classrooms, and 200 fewer student lockers.
- In addition, work on our heating and ventilation (HVAC) system will continue throughout the school year, causing classrooms to shift every 6-8 weeks. During the HVAC work, 3 classrooms on each floor will be under construction at a time. This three-floor vertical column of 3 classrooms per floor will rotate around the building in a counter-clockwise fashion during the year. Staff and students will rotate to new rooms every 6-8 weeks as classrooms experience construction. Large maps will be placed in common areas and classroom teachers will work to ensure students know of their new class locations well in advance of any moves.

Spring Break 2018 - October 2018

- The ceiling of the old gym will be refinished. The school will function with one gym during this time.

Summer 2018

- The science wing will be renovated and the learning commons on the first floor will be completed. The interior of the auditorium will be completed.

What areas will be open to the public during construction?

- The lower gym and weight room will remain open during the summer of 2017 for camps and athletic training.
- The current 1st floor rooms used for Career and Technical Education (CTE) classes will be open for summer school classes.
- All summer access to the building during the summer of 2017 is likely to occur through the doors facing the north parking lot.
- Staff will not have access to the building during the summer of 2017 due to the abatement work taking place in the old gym.

Will there be any adjustments to the school schedule during construction?

- No, the school day will still run on a normal schedule and there will be no impacts to bus lanes. The north parking lot will remain open for staff only.



Will there be any parking or program impacts during construction?

- There will be classes that shift to new classrooms during the semester. Students and staff throughout the building will hear construction noise throughout the school year. We will work to accommodate noise and air quality concerns during the construction process.
- The north parking lot will remain open for staff only.

Who can we call with questions?

- You can contact the office with questions throughout the summer at (406)728-2402 as well as the District Administration Office at (406)728-2400, ext. 0.

What do students do if they need a locker?

- Rather than assign a locker to every student, lockers will be assigned upon request and students will be required to share the remaining available lockers during the 2017-18 school year.

When will I find out which classes and classrooms I am in for first semester next year?

- In June ,“Q” will reflect students’ tentative schedules. By August, these will be updated and students will have the chance to meet with counselors to adjust any academic misplacements for courses required for graduation and report courses completed during the summer. At that time, Q will reflect the classrooms where classes will meet for the first six weeks of school.

THROUGHOUT THE SCHOOL YEAR, WHEN WE HAVE TO CLOSE AN AREA FOR CONSTRUCTION, STUDENTS AND GUESTS WILL SEE SIGNS LIKE THOSE NOTED IMMEDIATELY BELOW. THE SIGNS WILL DIRECT YOU TO THE NEW LOCATION OF THAT CLASSROOM OR OFFICE .



THERE WILL NOT BE A SUMMER FLAGSHIP PROGRAM AT HELLGATE THIS SUMMER.

CSCT GROUPS WILL MEET OFF SITE DURING THE SUMMER.
CASE MANAGERS WILL COMMUNICATE DIRECTLY WITH STUDENTS ABOUT MEETING LOCATIONS.



New electrical service brought to Hellgate with new transformer on ground and associated sitework. Likely to occur Summer-Fall 2017. Staff parking in this area will remain open for the most part.

Some utility work is required in the northern courtyard and will likely take place in the some time academic year 17/18.

Service Courtyard under construction for new library/dining/learning commons area. Work scheduled to complete December 2018.

New Entry Work - Summer 2017 through October 2017. Current entry doors at the double set of stairs will remain open until new entry is completed.

Staging area will be used in full until completion of project.

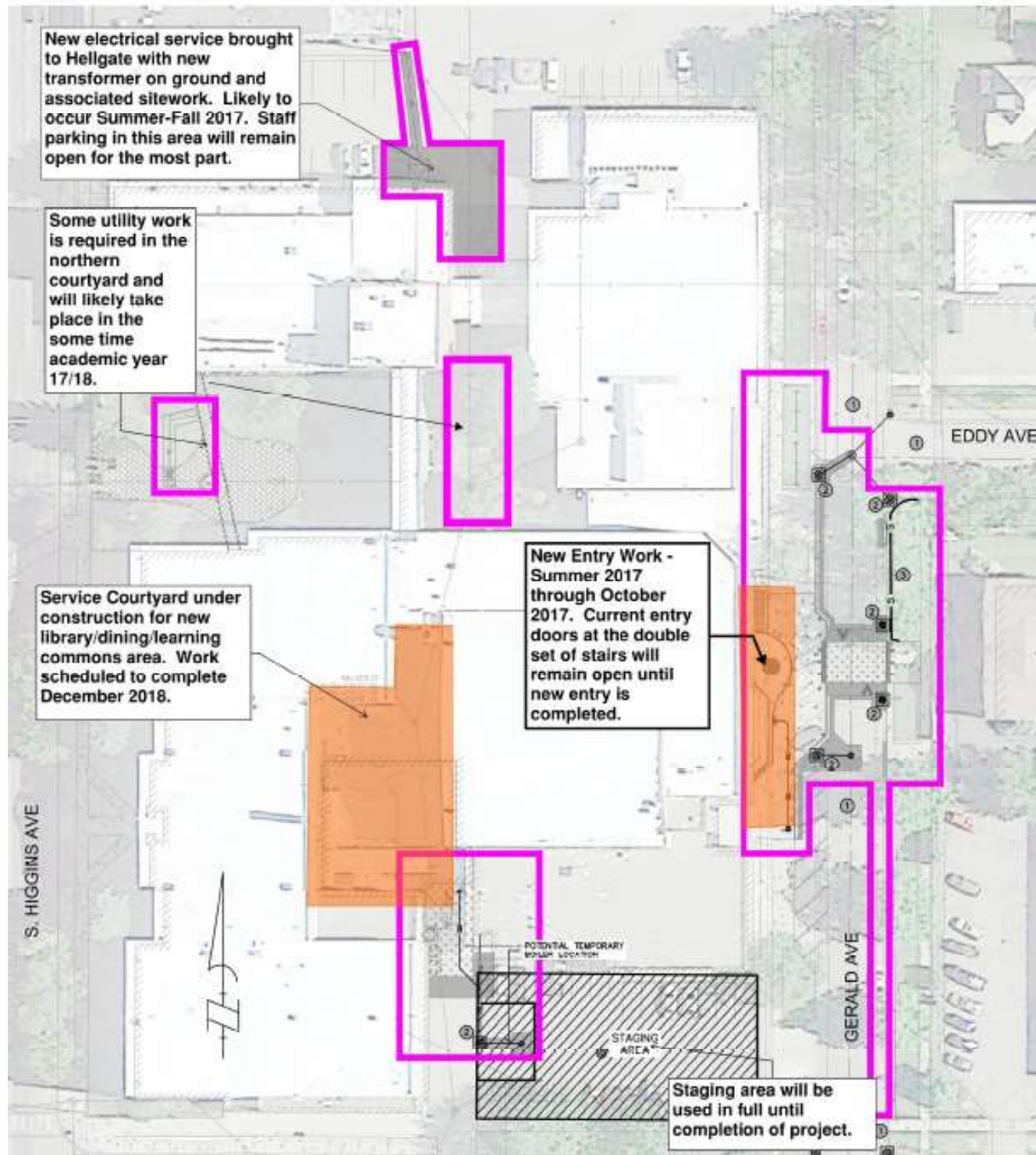
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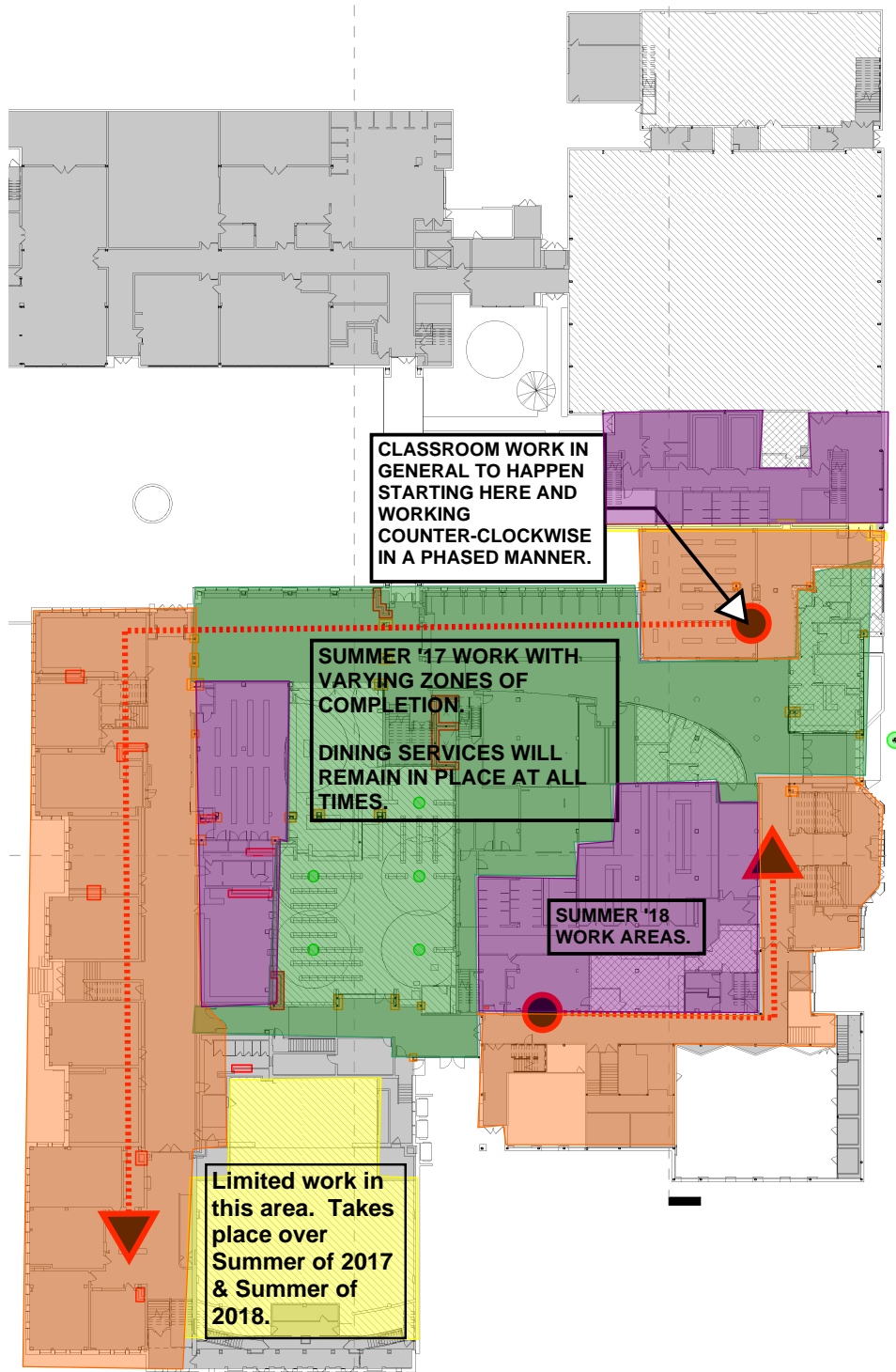
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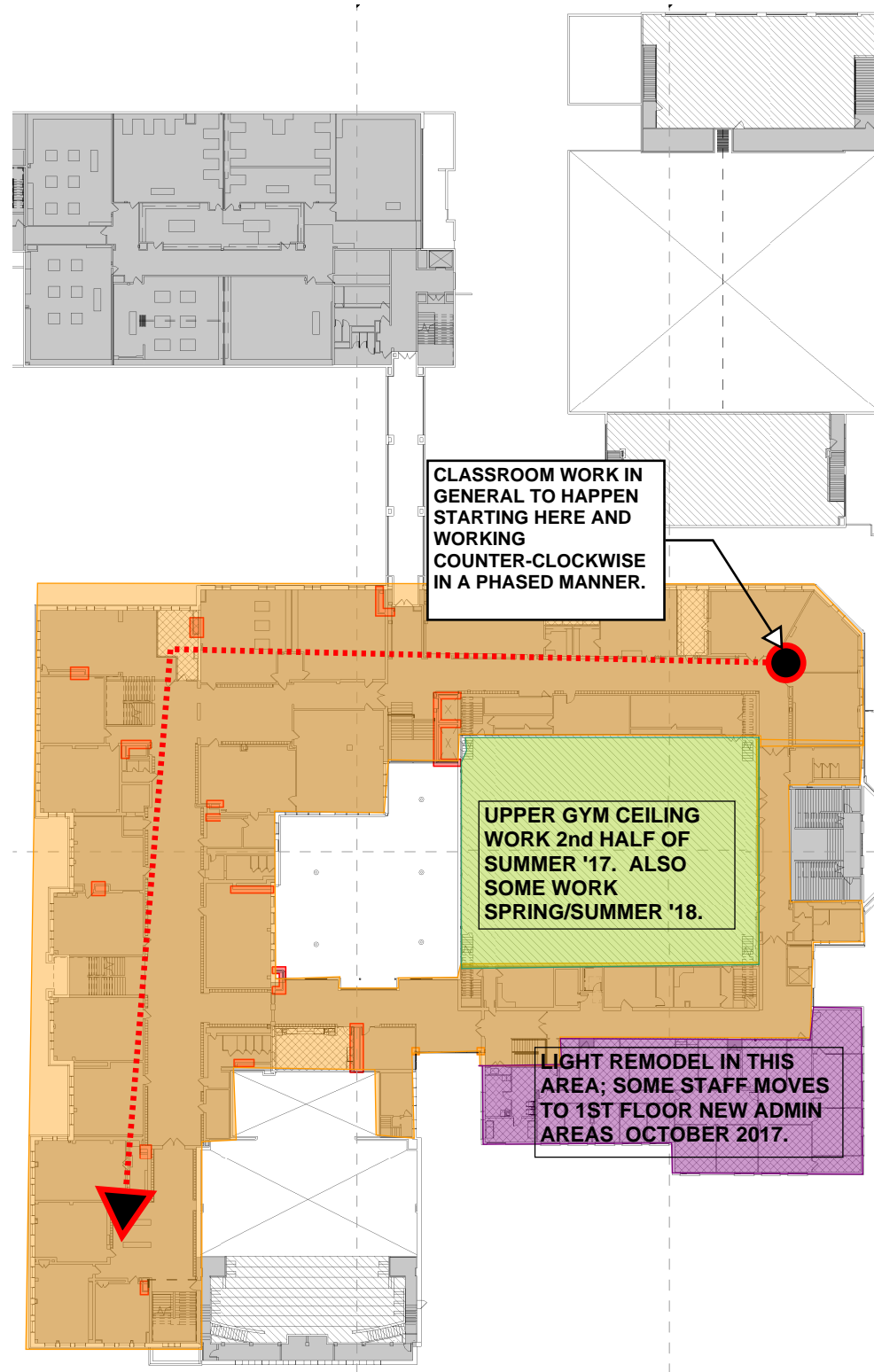
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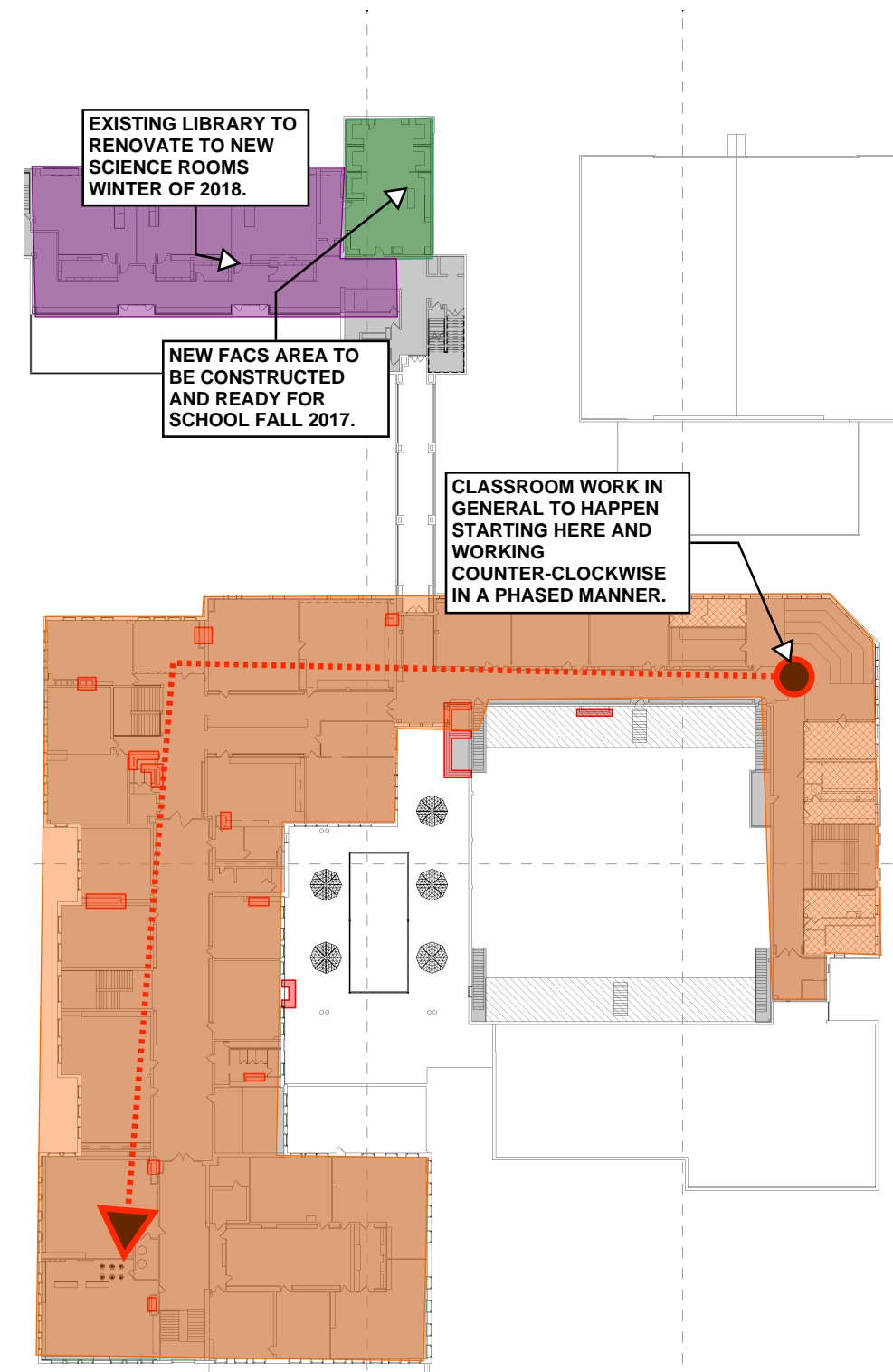




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