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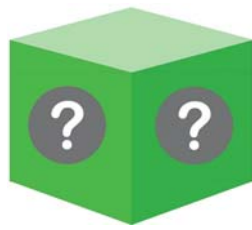


**RUSSELL
ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL**

QUESTION AND ANSWER GUIDE

A SCHOOL IN TRANSITION: FAMILY GUIDE





FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

When will construction take place?

- The design, engineering and permitting process is already underway. The construction process will run from June 2017 - August 2018. The remodeled school will be open for the first day of school in the 2018-19 school year.



What will the new building look like?

- The new building will house all classrooms under one roof, moving the footprint of the building outward on the north, east and west sides. A second-third grade playground space and a fourth-fifth grade playground space will be created on the north side of the building. The modular classrooms will be removed in the summer of 2018.



What areas will be closed to the public during construction?

- There will be outdoor space on the north and east sides of our lot that will be fenced off for construction and staging of materials. There will be a road built from the east edge of our lot toward the current asphalt area where our basketball hoops sit for construction equipment to move in and out of the lot.
- Students and staff must heed construction signs and fencing to avoid the construction



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

- No, the bus loop and parking areas will all remain intact during the construction process.
- The rest of the academic program will function normally for the 2017-18 school year. There will be two classrooms that face the construction site and students 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.



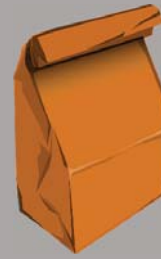
What will happen to the green space around the school during construction?

- The kindergarten playground on the front of the school will not be impacted. On the back side (east side) of the school, some of the playground space will be fenced off for construction.
- Students, staff and community members must adhere to all signage and fencing to avoid construction areas.



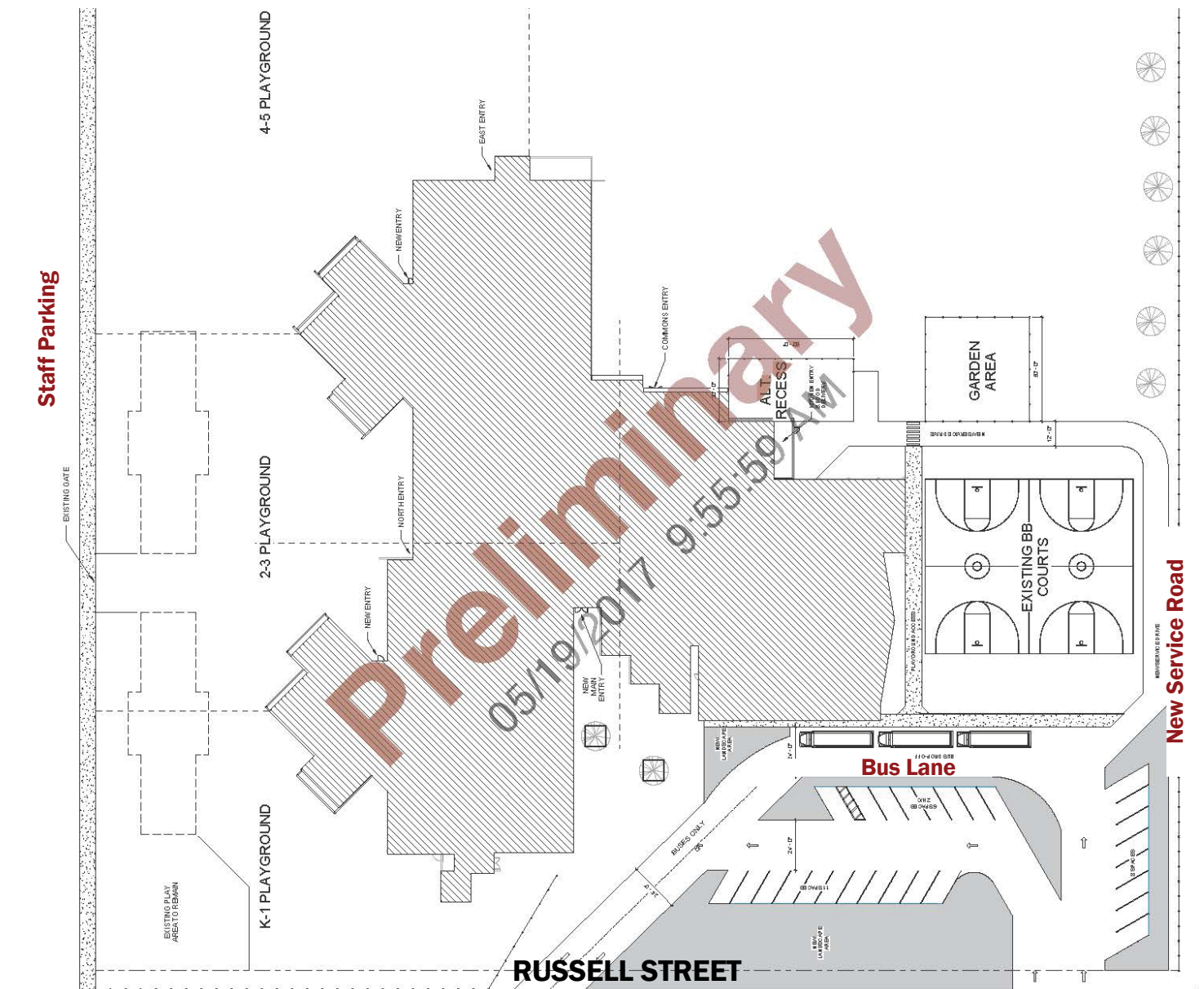
Who can we call with questions?

- The Principal will check the school's voicemail and email messages weekly during the summer to answer questions. You can also contact the main Administration Office at (406)728-2400, ext. 0, during the summer.



* The summer nutrition program will take place in the gym or the modular classrooms beginning June 12 and ending August 18. Breakfast will be served from 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and lunch will be served from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

* The Summer CSCT groups will meet at the school and then move off-site for their programs.



Overview of the scheduled construction.