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Dear Stakeholders,

This letter is to update you of where we are on our facilities/construction plans. We have been in the classrooms at the high school all year. There are a few minor things and punch list items to complete this summer when school is not in session. We are currently constructing a new competition gymnasium with a seating capacity of just over 1000. We are excited for this to be completed. We are currently ahead of schedule on completion and expect to be in the new gym before school starts in August.

As many of you are aware, we received funding for a new elementary school from the legislature through the state board of education. This was awarded in January. We are currently in the process of finalizing plans for this project.

As many of you are also aware, the Wayne School District Board of Education held a work meeting on February 11th to discuss this project and funding and took formal action to approve projects in their regular board meeting on the 12th. Because of the state funds we received and money saved by the board of education over the past several years, it was determined at that time that we will be able to increase the size of the elementary lunchroom to be comparable to a regular middle school gymnasium, giving the school and community one more gym/practice facility in the county. The board also set aside funding to do minimal remodeling of the existing middle school gym locker rooms as well as upgrades to heating, plumbing and electrical systems in that facility. We will be updating the sound and light systems in the high school auditorium, as well. We are also able to move forward with plans to remodel the newer portion of the existing middle school for a district training space and district office.

Timelines are not definite on beginning these latest projects. We hope to put them out to bid for subcontractors by June at the latest, with an estimated completion date by Fall of 2027. I will update you as we get this schedule solidified.

Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have questions about any of these projects.

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