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New Thurston Elementary School: February News

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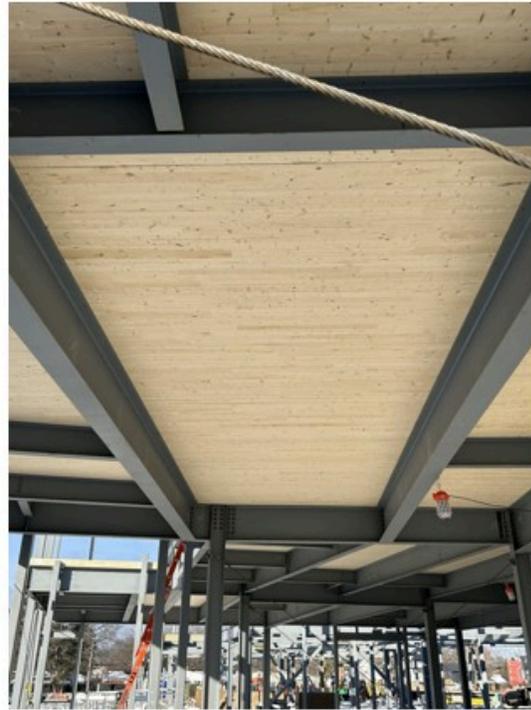
To support construction of the new Thurston Elementary, the following activities are taking place on campus. To see all of the information related to this project in one place, please [click here to visit the New Thurston Elementary page](#) and feel free to bookmark the page to revisit, as content will continue to be posted.



Current Work, Weather Permitting:

- Utility work is ongoing, including the water main.
- Structural steel installation is ongoing.
- Masonry is ongoing.
- CLT installation has started, pictured below.
- Phase 2 aggregate pier installation may start as early as 2/23/2026.

Topping Out: Students and staff at Thurston signed the final beam, leading up to a “Topping Out” milestone when the final and highest beam will be raised into place at the new Thurston Elementary.



Please note:

- As work continues, if winter conditions exist, use of a generator to power a heater may be necessary at times.
- The walkway along the North/East construction fencing is not accessible to bikes, strollers, etc. It is a walking path with inclines. Please use paved sidewalks for accessibility. The rustic path will not be cleared of snow during the winter.
- Construction-related trail access changes are posted onsite courtesy of the Thurston Nature Center.
- Construction parking and construction access drives are for construction personnel only and to ensure safety, staff and parents should refrain from using construction parking and/or drives.
- Emails will continue to be sent, to provide updates on campus activities.



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