



# ELHS BUILDING PROJECT

## 2024 Summer/Fall Student Quick Guide

Dear East Longmeadow HS Students and Parents,

We look forward to beginning the construction of the new ELHS this summer. Students and parents accessing the school property this summer (2024) and for the upcoming 2024-2025 school year should be aware of site impacts.

Please see the questionnaire below for pertinent information and refer to the logistics plan on pages 4-5 to view site impacts and active construction zones.

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### ELHS Building Project Questionnaire

Q: What construction activity can I expect this summer?

- A. This summer, the Fontaine Bros. construction team will install fencing to separate the school and construction areas. A new construction access road will be installed from Maple Street around the soccer field and into the building site. We will also relocate utilities outside of the new building footprint.

Q. What can I expect when I return to school?

- A. In the fall of 2024, students and parents will continue to arrive at school via the front bus loop and the existing parking lot. The construction access driveway will be closed from 7:00 a.m. to 7:30 a.m. to ensure the entrance of Maple Street is dedicated to school traffic during drop-off. Construction will start inside the construction fence with excavation for foundations followed by structural steel. All traffic to the Central Administration Office will come through the main school entrance. There will be no vehicular access via the Norden Street Neighborhood.

Q. What athletic fields will be available this summer and during the school year?

- A. The stadium and three tennis courts will be available this summer. The JV baseball field and soccer fields will be temporarily unavailable while fencing and the construction access road are installed. The Athletics Department will provide additional information this fall on how the JV baseball field and soccer fields will be accommodated elsewhere in Town.



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- Q. How will I know where the construction zone is?
- A. A chain-link fence with a scrim (opaque fabric) will delineate the construction zone, and signs will alert students and visitors.
- Q. Will I be allowed to be in the construction area at any time?
- A. No, keeping students and staff safe is our top priority. Because of this, only the construction and project team members will be allowed inside the construction zone. The fence line will separate the existing school and construction areas.
- Q. Will I enter the school at the same location I always have?
- A. Yes, the Main Entrance, off Maple Street, will remain the primary entrance. Visitors and staff wishing to visit the Central Administration Office will come through the high school's main entrance.
- Q. If I walk to school, will there be any changes to my usual route?
- A. The construction team must eliminate the crosswalk at the west side of the bus loop to accommodate construction deliveries. All pedestrians should use the crosswalk with the flashing pedestrian sign on the east side of the bus loop. Pedestrians should not be accessing the school from Norden Street due to the construction access crossing.
- Q. If I get dropped off/picked up, will my driver go to the usual location?
- A. There will be no changes to student drop off and pick up for the 2024-2025 school year.
- Q. If I drive to school, will there be any parking available?
- A. Teachers, school staff, and central admin staff may park in the new temporary lot at the front of the school. All students must park in the existing school parking lot to the west of the bus loop.
- Q. Will the construction be noisy?
- A. Minimizing school disruption is a top goal of the project. Additionally, the School Administration and the Construction Project Team are in constant contact when and if there is a concern. Testing days are discussed well in advance to minimize the impact on students and staff.
- Q. How will I know what is going on in the construction zone?
- A. The project website will be updated throughout the project with progress reports and photos to keep the students and the community informed. Monthly Construction Updates will be posted to the project website ([eastlongmeadowma.gov/elhsbuildingproject](http://eastlongmeadowma.gov/elhsbuildingproject)) on the last Friday of each month.



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Q. If I have any questions/comments/concerns who can I talk to?

- A. Students and parents can always speak with the ELHS Principal, Frank Paige. Questions and concerns regarding the project can also be emailed to [elhsbuildingproject@eastlongmeadowma.gov](mailto:elhsbuildingproject@eastlongmeadowma.gov). For immediate on-site assistance, please contact Richard L'Heureux, Skanska Site Representative, (617) 259-0671.

This is an exciting time at East Longmeadow High School! The ELHS Construction and Design team is working hard to bring you a brand-new high school.

**Please see East Longmeadow HS Enabling Phase Logistics provided on the following pages (pages 4-5).**

# EAST LONGMEADOW HIGH SCHOOL



ENABLING PHASE | SUMMER 2024



## LOGISTICS DETAILS

### 01 PARKING/TRAFFIC

All vehicle access to the site will enter through the east drive. Existing parking remains open. The front bus loop will be closed.

### 02 SCHOOL/CENTRAL ADMIN

All access to the building (including central admin) is through the main entrance.

### 03 STADIUM ACCESS

The stadium will remain opened throughout the summer, along with 3 tennis courts.

### 04 NORDEN ST ENTRANCE

Norden Street entrance is closed to all public traffic.

### 05 JV BASEBALL/SOCCER

Both fields will be closed for the majority of the summer.

### 06 SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Summer concert series (2024) will be held on site.

Scan QR Code to visit the project website for additional project information.



# EAST LONGMEADOW HIGH SCHOOL



FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL | FALL 2024



## LOGISTICS DETAILS

### 01 BUS LOOP

The west entrance will be widened to safely separate the school traffic from the construction traffic.

### 02 STAFF/VISITOR PARKING

A new temporary parking lot will be established over the summer and be open for staff and visitors.

### 03 STUDENT PARKING

The student parking lot will remain open during the 2024-2025 school year.

### 04 NORDEN ST ENTRANCE

Norden Street entrance is closed to all public traffic. Access to the central admin office is available through the main entrance.

### 05 JV BASEBALL/SOCCER

Both fields will re-open for the start of the school year.

### 06 STADIUM ACCESS

The stadium will remain opened along with 3 tennis courts.

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