



# HILANDER highlights

WINTER 2019

## CONSTRUCTION

### 6 priorities

#### SAFETY & SECURITY



**6 systems** slated to be updated/added **across the district** (door access control, video surveillance, exterior lighting, fencing, building design modifications, and communication systems)

#### TWO SCHOOL REPLACEMENTS



**1,038 hours** district staff put in **outside of the work day** on planning and design in 2018/19 for two new elementary schools at **Wallace & Lexington**

#### SCHOOL MODERNIZATIONS



**\$45 million** total cost for school modernization projects at **Butler Acres, Carrolls, Huntington** and **Rose Valley**; which include upgrades to plumbing, heating, ventilation, cooling, roofs, windows and siding.

#### ADDING & UPDATING CLASSROOMS



**5 Career Technical Education** classrooms being updated **this summer**

#### TRAFFIC & PARKING



**11 properties** purchased to **improve traffic flow** around **Wallace** and **Butler Acres** elementary schools

#### ATHLETIC FACILITIES



##### Completed:

- Artificial turf at Schroeder Field

##### Still to come:

- New gym floor, bleachers and handrails at Kelso High
- Improvements to practice fields at Kelso High, Coweeman and Huntington
- Additional gym for Huntington
- Two middle school tracks

## One-year bond update

At this time last year, Kelso citizens overwhelmingly voted to approve a construction bond and educational levy to improve the learning experience for our students. We are so thankful for the support and generosity of our community, and continue to work diligently to be good stewards of the funds allocated for public education (\$98.6 million bond plus \$59.4 million in state match funds for a total of \$158 million). Here are some facts and figures about the 100 construction-related projects planned. For a fuller list, go to [bit.ly/Hilander](http://bit.ly/Hilander), or visit [WeAreKelso.org](http://WeAreKelso.org) for frequent updates.





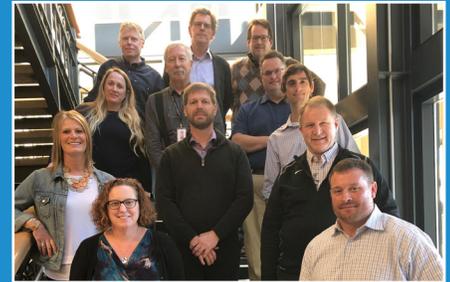
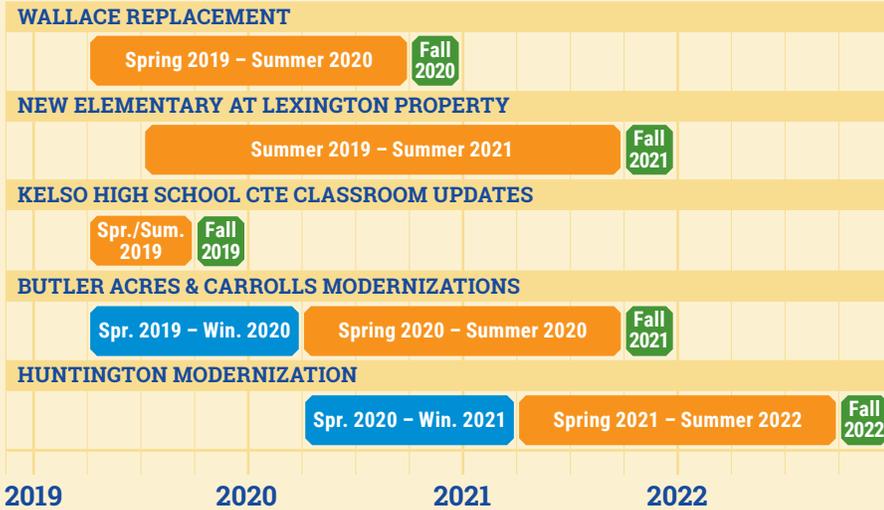
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# Construction TIMELINE

-  Planning/Design
-  Construction
-  Completion



### Executive Construction Steering Team

Managing our bond projects requires a robust team with varying strengths and areas of expertise. The Executive Construction Steering team is made up of 12 professionals from four organizations: Kelso School District, Construction Services Group (CSG) from ESD 112, Integrus Architecture, and FORMA Construction Company. Read more about how this team came together at [bit.ly/Bond-Team](https://bit.ly/Bond-Team)

“ Even with a few cost challenges, it’s been an **exciting adventure**. We will continue to make the learning environment for Kelso students **engaging, uplifting, and safe**. With our talented and dedicated team, we’re looking forward to **great things** for the Kelso students, staff and community. ”

*Kelso Superintendent Mary Beth Tack*

**Get ready to name our new school!**

We’re working on detailed designs for the new elementary school at Lexington, and we’ll soon need to know the school’s name, mascot and colors. We’d love your help! Look for more details to come.



SCHOOL BOARD:  
 Leah Moore, President  
 Karen Grafton, Vice President  
 Mike Haas  
 Darr Kirk  
 Howard Sharples

SUPERINTENDENT: Mary Beth Tack

CHILD FIND INFORMATION  
 Kelso School District will ensure that all students with disabilities who are eligible from birth through 21 years of age, residing within our attendance area, have available to them a free and appropriate public education in the least restrictive environment. You can initiate a referral through your local schools or call us at 360-501-1904.

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