

Comal Independent School District

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Phase-I Construction set to begin at CHS, SVHS

Ready for football stadium upgrades at both Canyon and Smithson Valley high schools?

What about additions and renovations to buildings in the agriculture departments at both campuses?

Phase-I construction on expansions provided through Bond 2008 will soon begin at both schools.

Architects, contractors, Comal ISD Assistant Superintendent for Support Services Thomas Bloxham, and principals from both CHS and SVHS are holding meetings for parents and the public to learn more about the expansion projects.

Canyon High's meeting will take place in the school's cafetorium, Wednesday, March 11, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Smithson Valley High's meeting will be in the school's cafeteria on Thursday, March 12, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

"We wanted a chance to inform the public about what they will see going on at our campus," SVHS principal Chris Trotter said. "We feel it will be a great opportunity for anyone interested to become well informed."

Phase-I construction at Canyon High will begin in March and will include: a new Career and Technology Building, a new football stadium press box, stadium expansion and ticket booth, a new spring sports field house, agriculture building and animal pen renovations and additions, and a new swimming pool.

Phase-I construction at Smithson Valley High begins in April and includes: new parking facilities, a new water line, new football stadium seating and a new press box, renovations on the agriculture shop building and additions in the agriculture department, a swimming pool, and the start of construction on a new competition gym, new administration offices and classroom wings.

“It’s an exciting time in the Comal ISD,” Bloxham said. “Thanks to the voters who continuously give us their support, the district is able to expand its campuses as we continue to grow at a rapid pace.”

Phase-I construction will last at both campuses until at least the fall 2009 semester.

In future construction phases, CHS will add 31 new classrooms and SVHS will add 20 new classrooms. Both campuses will add new performing arts theaters, with approximate 600-seat capacity, as well. Total student capacity, once finished, will be approximately 2,575 at each campus.

The expansion projects at both are scheduled to last until 2011. Together, both projects are budgeted at \$75 million.

To learn more about Bond 2008 construction, visit http://www.comalisd.org/Growth/Bond_2008_Status.asp.

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