

Northwest School of the Arts and First Ward







The 2023 general obligation bond referendum presents us with a unique opportunity to enhance the learning environment and educational opportunities for our students. It aims to offer more academic options, alleviate overcrowding, and support safe schools. Here are the highlights of the project that will impact our school communities:

The work at Northwest School of the Arts and First Ward is connected. In order to accomplish the goals for the project, both schools will receive capital investment. Along with the on-site replacement of University Park Elementary, this project is intended to create a three-campus, full-magnet, K-12 arts program. This will allow course offerings to be expanded while providing updated spaces for elementary, middle, and high schools students at dedicated sites. At Northwest, the final phase of work that has been ongoing will include new specialty classroom space and the conversion to a full arts 9-12 program. First Ward will be renovated to become a full creative arts magnet for grades 6-8, facilitating the conversion of Northwest to a high school.



Questions for CMS?

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