

# Opening Fall 2012



*New high school in Fremont, Michigan. Construction to begin spring 2010. A building for a brighter educational future. Offering students the latest innovations in classroom teaching and technology.*

Thanks to Fremont voters, those few lines are an accurate report of where we will be in just 36 months. Now there is a great deal to do between those lines.

Since last spring's bond vote, many from the school district's professional staff, and members of the community, have been sitting down with the architects and designers to give shape to this educational vision.

We are shaping the basic footprint of the building – what it will look like, and where classrooms and support areas will go. We are discussing what we can afford, and prioritizing what will bring the greatest opportunity for our kids.

The new high school will be perched on a promontory of the property we purchased on 56th Street and shaped to take advantage of the views of the wetlands and Fremont Lake. The designers also are determining the best traffic approaches from 56th Street and South Warner.

At the base of all of the discussions we have had is to ensure the building reflects the community, its values, and the environment. We are committed to being good stewards of the community's trust, and making the most of this wonderful opportunity for our kids.

The design phase should be completed by early November with documents ready for cost estimates. The design and estimates will be presented to the Board of Education at its December meeting.

In the meantime, if you would like to share your thoughts on the design process, please contact me at [jhieftje@fremont.net](mailto:jhieftje@fremont.net).

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