



NEWS RELEASE

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Renton Memorial Stadium, high school track & fields closed during summer for renovations

Voter approval of bond in May 2008 allow for betterment of school facilities

February 25, 2009—Renton Memorial Stadium will be closed for renovations to the track and field from June through August. The current Astroturf field covering at the stadium has outlasted its warranty and intended life span and will be replaced with the newer generation infilled synthetic turf.

Additionally, restoration work will close the tracks and fields at Hazen and Lindbergh high schools from late May through the end of August.



Artist rendering overlay of improvements planned to the existing track and field at Renton Memorial Stadium. The project runs June-August 2009.

The needed improvements to school tracks and fields are made possible by voter approval of a bond measure in May 2008. Voters approved these projects as well as needed repairs to schools and classrooms throughout the district. Even with approval of the bond, local taxpayers did not see an increase in their school district tax rates of \$3.44/per \$1,000 of assessed value: The same rate now as in 2007.

The refurbishment projects, designed by D. A. Hogan & Associates, an engineering & landscape architecture firm specializing in athletic facilities, are the result of a series of meetings with district staff, and facility stakeholders that best balances the requirements for athletic programs, site planning, and budget allocation for each of the three facilities. The projects will make good use of taxpayer dollars by utilizing as much of the existing infrastructure as remains in usable condition.

PROJECT SUMMARIES

Renton Memorial Stadium

(June-August 2009)

(Pictured above)

- Replace existing field surface with 2" infilled synthetic turf over existing elastic layer and porous asphalt base
- Add portable ball control netting
- Clean existing track and field event rubberized surface and re-stripe
- Resurface shot-put landing areas, clean and replace circles and toe-boards
- Replace scoreboard on existing structural support
- Replace existing field lighting fixtures on existing poles/scaffolding, replace lighting system control
- Provide for electrical power in select locations as appropriate

Lindbergh High School

(May-August 2009)



- Replace existing main field and track with a 6-lane rubberized track with rubberized D area/field events, 2.5" infilled synthetic turf football/soccer field, perimeter security/pedestrian control fencing, perimeter pedestrian pathways including connections to existing pathways beyond
- Relocate throwing events to a common area at the upper practice field, including reconfigured pedestrian circulation and safety fencing
- Improve natural grass surface at upper practice field
- Install lighting system and scoreboard (underground conduit and junction boxes at a minimum, lighting system as budget allows)
- Install chain link fence portioning inside existing equipment storage shed
- Add secure, covered, chain link fence enclosure for field maintenance equipment adjacent to existing storage shed

Hazen High School

(May-August 2009)



Upper Site:

- Replace existing cinder track with a 6-lane rubberized track, rubberized D area, and field events
- Improve existing natural grass field including irrigation improvements
- Add perimeter security/pedestrian control fencing and pedestrian pathway



Lower Site:

- Convert natural grass utility field to 2.5" infilled synthetic turf football/soccer field
- Provide new asphalt driveway for emergency/service/pedestrian access
- Install lighting system and scoreboard (underground conduit and junction boxes at a minimum, lighting system as budget allows)