

# **Hellgate Elementary Facility Enhancement Project**

On September 20, 2016, the Hellgate Elementary School District voters approved the Hellgate Elementary Facility Enhancement Project bond to generate approximately \$20 million dollars to address three urgent facility issues on and around the school campus. First, the project proposal addressed the need to construct a new 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade building to reduce crowding in the existing facilities and pave the way to accommodate increasing student enrollment numbers. Second, the project addressed the need for a continuous roadway system circling the exterior boundary of the Hellgate Elementary campus. This new roadway system will allow traffic to enter on Siren Road, travel around the exterior of the campus and exit onto Flynn Lane near England Boulevard. Moreover, the project will expand parking space areas on campus to help alleviate current parking issues. Finally, the project addressed the need for additional school/community/family recreation areas. This part of the project involved constructing a track, soccer fields, and additional useable greenway space areas on property already owned by the school district.

Paradigm Architects and Jackson Contractor Group have worked closely with the Hellgate Elementary Board of Trustees to put together a coherent construction plan that involves several phases. For the summer of 2017, the construction emphasis will be placed on the grading of existing school district property to accommodate the construction of the new 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade building while also laying the foundation for new playground and community recreational space.

Should you click on the website link, you will find an aerial view of the school district campus/construction site with the three basic items or areas that will be addressed this summer. You will also see a collection of photos that will serve to memorialize the progress of the Hellgate Elementary Facility Enhancement Project.

Please check back into the Hellgate Elementary website for information as the Hellgate Elementary Facility Enhancement Project moves forward.