VIEWLANDS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL





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Project Team

Owner: Seattle Public Schools

Contractor: Absher Construction Company

Architect: Mahlum Architects Inc.



Construction Overview

Hello neighbors, we are Absher Construction, and we will be building the new Viewlands Elementary School. We are committed to being a good neighbor to the community throughout the construction of your new elementary school. Absher's project staff will communicate job opportunities, project updates, upcoming neighborhood impacts (such as road closures) to the surrounding community. We use a number of methods to maintain a dialogue with you including hosting Town Hall-style meetings, face-to-face introductions (or virtual), and newsletters (like this first issue). We recognize that construction of any type will inherently cause some temporary neighborhood disruption, but we will do all we can to lessen the impact of our work and provide proactive communication. Have a question? See the Project Contact Information box below to reach project team members.

Upcoming Work

Our primary construction activity for this month is earth moving. The site is changing every day as we prepare to place the concrete foundations for your new school. Absher and subcontractors will adhere to the City of Seattle and OSHA requirements for noise and vibration decibel thresholds. We are striving to keep the Viewlands Trail open this fall and winter, but there are selective improvements that will need to take place next year. The NW 105th and NW 107th trailheads will remain open unless otherwise noted by signage. The site will be closed for the Thanksgiving holiday. See below for Safety Highlights.

Project Contact Information

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Project Engineer: Isabella James Isabella.James@AbsherCo.com

Seattle Public Schools Contact Information

Project Manager: Brian Fabella, LEED AP brfabella@seattleschools.org

Absher Jobsite Trailer

Working hours: 7:00am - 3:30pm*
*hours are subject to change

Address: 10525 3rd Ave. NW Seattle, WA 98177

Telephone: (253) 845-9544*

*In case of emergency dial 911

(For safety purposes, arrangements must be made with Absher prior to entering construction zones.)

Safety Update

The safety and health of all Viewlands Elementary neighbors and community members is Absher's number one priority. We are taking every precaution to ensure a safe project, and we ask for your assistance in maintaining a safe campus as well. Below are safety tips to remember throughout the construction process. Please discuss these with your children too.

- Do not enter active construction areas or areas that are secured with safety fencing.
- Do not distract onsite construction workers.
- Immediately report any suspicious activity or children playing in construction zones to the project staff.
- Travel with caution and slow down when in construction zones. Be alert for construction workers, children, cyclists, pedestrians and heavy equipment.
- Allow plenty of time for possible driving delays.
- Follow posted signs that explain detours, lane closures and other changes in driving conditions. Remember that traffic fines are doubled in construction areas.
- Be patient. Remember that construction is a short-term inconvenience for a long-term benefit.

See link for the project webpage:

www.seattleschools.org/viewlands-construction