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Clark Avenue Middle School Chelsea, MA

Pine Grove Elementary School Rowley, MA

Manchester Memorial Elementary School Manchester, MA







Projects of Focus





Clark Avenue Middle School

- New construction on existing/occupied site
- > Total SF: 115,236
 - Phase 1: 77,021 / Phase 2: 38,215
- Budget: \$46,046,367
- MSBA Funded

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Overall Challenges Clark Avenue Middle School

- New 115,236 SF School Located on Existing School Building Site
- Two Existing Buildings Occupied 90% of Site
 - 1908 Building = Vacant (52,000 SF)
 - 1926 Building = Clark Middle School (103,500 SF)



The Prep Work

• The "Big 3"

- Maintain an existing campus and keep it safe
- Manage the schedule and phases
- Manage the schedule towards the client's budget



Key Strategies

Constant and consistent communication

Utilization of February and April vacation

- Open gym floor
- Investigate existing conditions
- Develop scopes
- Temp boiler
- Excavation
- Concrete
- Shoring

Managing the design to the schedule

Managing the

budget to the

schedule

Phase 1 Challenges

- Maintain daily safe operation of existing 1926 school building
- Phase 1 demo of existing 1908 building
- Abate 1908 building during the summer
- Relocate and/or cut/cap street utilities and Interior infrastructure
- Setup and maintain temp boiler on the exterior
- Evaluation of exterior egress and supports
- Converting interior walls to exterior weather resistant wall systems
- Phase 1 life safety systems required updating
- Construction of Phase 1 was within 10' of the existing building
- 18 month construction period for 77,021 SF of Phase 1





Existing Conditions May 23, 2015



Initial Site Setup May 2015



Initial Site Setup May 2015



Temp/Relocated Services June 2015



<u>Temporary Utility and</u> <u>MEP Work</u>

Tudor Street

- Cut, cap, relocate:
 - Water Service
 - FP Service
- Gas line: Re-route to temp boiler
- Sanitary: Maintain and protect

MEP Systems

- IT/Data
- AV/PA/Security
- Fire Alarm
- MEP "separation"

Utility Legend Gas Sanitary Water

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Phase 1 Demolition July 2015



Phase 1 Foundations November 2015



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Phase 1 Steel February 2016





Construction of Phase 1 within 10 Feet of the Existing Building



Phase 1 Shell May 2016



Construction Phase 1

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Phase 2 Challenges

• Maintain daily operation of new school

- Proximity of residents required earth shoring systems and specialty "blind waterproofing" systems at foundations at gymnasium
- Deep excav ations for gym required strategic thinking and planning
- Phase 2 to Phase 1 "Tie-Ins" from steel to MEP systems were challenging and complex
- Phase 2 landscaping and site logistics during "summer only" was a logistical challenge



Phase 2 Initial Setup February 2017



ase 2 Initial Setup February 2017 Phase

Perimeter construction fence relocated

TWO School access/egress paths

Pedestrian sidewalk & crosswalks

Community information board

Construction parking (TBC)



Phase 2 Demolition April 2017





Phase 2 Foundations July 2017



Phase 2 Steel September 2017









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Pine Grove Elementary School

- Gut/Renovation
- ➤ Total SF: 87,600
- Budget: \$30,000,000
- MSBA Funded

Phase 1 Challenges

To be completed over summer of 2018

- Complete administration area
- Replace existing switch gear, transformer, primary and secondary power lines
- Phase in new FA and SMS
- Have new AHU's and boilers on line for beginning of school year
- Maintain existing school MEP/FP systems in other phases
- Latent site conditions





Phase 1 Summer 2018

Second Floor

Admin Offices, Multi-purpose, Lobby, Nurse Duration: 10 weeks Area: 18,820 SF



Full renovation

- Install temporary cafeteria
- New mechanical room and main electrical room
- MEP infrastructure in corridors
- Summer "must" areas (Admin, Multipurpose, Lobby, Kitchen)
- Temporary classrooms in gymnasium
- Double shift throughout

Key Strategy

 Preconstruction survey to include structural and electrical systems

Entrance / Lobby

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Key Strategy

• ERP for storefront/curtainwall/window trade bids

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Glulam Remediation

Key Strategy

- Quick and decisive remediation process
- Coordination with the school to adjust for impacts to food services and assemblies

• Managing expectations



Boiler Room / HVAC Equipment

Key Strategy

• Pre-purchase all equipment through ERP



Electrical Infrastructure

Key Strategies

- Accelerate primary and secondary work through coordination with school and town
- Pre-purchase switch gear through ERP



Phase 2 thru 4 Challenges



All work to be completed while school was occupied



Proposed work was required to be tied into existing work (e.g.- plumbing)



Install and function of AHU's required

Key Strategy

 Close coordination in consultation with school staff and AHJ to develop the plan



Integrating MEP/FP Systems onto Multiple Floors

Key Strategies

- Key Strategies tying in new services into existing infrastructure
- Working shifts strategically to limit impact to school and its services
- Maintaining existing services until new services are online



Phase 5 Challenges – Most Challenging Phase



Per phase, greatest SF requiring renovation



Bulk of site work and landscaping



Additional site work imposed by the AHJ pressed schedule further



Additional AHU install / full building mechanical balancing



Mold

Mold Remediation

Key Strategies

- Work out of sequence and coordinate with subs accordingly to take advantage of open spaces
- Work closely with design team to expedite remediation and reconstruction methods



Work Volume

Key Strategies

- Required multiple shifts and extended work weeks for all trades
- Requirement incorporated into contract specifications





Last Minute Work by AHJ's

Key Strategy

 Managing expectations with the owner regarding completion and sequencing and prioritizing



















Manchester Memorial Elementary School

- New Construction on Existing Occupied Site
 Total SF: 77,000
- ▶ Budget: \$41,000,000
- > MSBA Funded
- Budget Pressure (District override required)



Challenges

- O Extremely tight site
- Phased construction
- Challenging topography
- Wetlands / flood plain
- O Access constraints
- Very close proximity to new school
- Neighborhood constraints
- Poor soil conditions / unsuitable soft clay
- Very aggressive schedule
 - Phase 1 39,000 SF classroom addition (11 mos)
 - Phase 2 38,000 SF new east wing (10 mos)
- Budget tight every step of the way



MANCHESTER MEMORIAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - EXISTING CONDITIONS



MANCHESTER MEMORIAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROJECT - OVERVIEW



MANCHESTER MEMORIAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROJECT SITE UTILIZATION PLAN - PHASE I



MANCHESTER MEMORIAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROJECT SITE UTILIZATION PLAN - PHASE II



MANCHESTER MEMORIAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROJECT SITE UTILIZATION PLAN - PHASE III



Site Logistics

AccessLaydown / storage



Site Access

South via Brooke Street
 Southeast near Summer Street
 North Side of the Existing Building









Laydown / Storage

- Restrictive policies for on-site storage
- o Utilize tennis court
- Access to fields
- Include restoration costs



Occupancy and Phasing

- Looking and planning ahead
- Specific examples
 - Safe, code-compliant egress
 - Construction mitigation
 - Continuity of services



Temporary Provisions at West Wing North Elevation

Continuity of Services Between New Classroom Wing and Existing Building



Schedule Management

- RFP schedule was very tight (not viable). Proposed a revised approach
- Creative early construction packages
- O Procurement / material management urgency
- Orchestration and execution in the field (Lean)

RFP Schedule



W.T. Rich Proposed Schedule (Green)



Creative Early Construction Packages







Orchestration & Execution in the Field

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Benefits of Revised Schedule Approach



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- Some premium time (abatement/demo)
- Expedited owner move-in (but achievable)



Questions and Discussion

