

## ?Science classroom nearing completion at East Washington High School

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??? The Science classrooms and lab are nearing completion at East Washington High School according to Ed Rivers with Tipperman Ritz Engineering at the recent East Washington School Board meeting held Tuesday, August 12.

A tour of the science renovation was taken by the school board members and Rivers to show how the project is progressing.

According to Rivers the classrooms will be usable by August 19 but the lab will not be completed by that day. The lab is expected to be completed a week later.

A second payment of \$90,450 will be sent to Temple Construction for the renovation "Tipperman and Temple Construction have done a good job with this renovation and have been good to work with," said Superintendent Ammick.

All minutes and claims were approved with all members of the board present.

Permission to advertise for bids of the paving of the elementary parking lot was approved.

All personnel and the hiring of a high school trainer were approved with the athletic department to reimburse half of the cost.

East Washington Elementary will start a new program, Monday-Fun days in the next couple of weeks.

Monday-Fun days will be a preschool program for four year olds and will be funded by Title 1.

According to Shari Dalton the program will be on Monday mornings one day a week and will be a great addition not a substitute.

"This will be a fun place. If we get the kids here and ready, we will see changes later in our test scores." stated Dalton.

"This is a wonderful opportunity for our kids. We will try this program and see how it works and it's a limited cost to us." said Dr. Ammick

Dr. Ammick reported that the start of school went well for teachers and students.

Dr. Ammick briefed the board members on the 2009 budget, telling about the uncertainty and difficult year due to the impact of the circuit breaker and no property tax money or assessments and how they are going to advertise high to protect what funds they have.

The board approved to advertise the 2009 budget.

The approval to declare an emergency to replace the freezer in the high school cafeteria was granted.

The board members discussed getting a few more bids for the railing on the ramps of the front entrance of the high school and Dr. Ammick is to get with the administrators and board members to set up a week day retreat in September.

The next East Washington School Board meeting will be September 9, at 7 p.m.