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New Jersey Schools Development Authority Announces Award of Design-Build Contract for New Middle School in West New York

TRENTON, NJ – The New Jersey Schools Development Authority (SDA) announced a \$91,750,000 design-build contract award to Terminal Construction Corporation to design and construct a new middle school in West New York.

“The start of the design-build contract for this important project continues the Authority’s efforts to address school construction needs throughout the State,” said SDA CEO Manuel Da Silva. “Together with our construction partners, we move one step closer to delivering a school building that will alleviate capacity deficiencies in the district while offering students new opportunities for academic and personal growth. The commencement of this contract allows for the completion of final design activities that will support the construction of a high-quality, efficient facility that best meets the needs of West New York students.”

The construction of this highly anticipated school will result in a 162,000-square-foot facility for a maximum of 862 students in grades six through eight. Some highlights of the educational spaces to be included in the new school are: 30 general classrooms, six science labs, three art rooms, a dance studio, a gymnasium, instrumental and vocal music rooms, a media center, a STEAM lab, an auditorium with a stage, and a cafeteria.

The first phase of this design-build contract is design phase services, which already commenced. This initial phase typically takes about six to nine months. By utilizing a design-build approach, some design and construction activities are often able to proceed concurrently through phased advancement. Terminal Construction Corporation is working with DMR Architects, Inc. on the design of the school. SDA accepted proposals last month for the engagement of a firm to provide construction management services for the project. A construction management award is expected in early 2026.

An early site preparation contract, previously awarded to APS Contracting, Inc., allowed for demolition and removal of the remaining foundations and associated site conditions at the former Warminster building site. This initial site work prepared the site for future construction of the new school. The new school facility is anticipated to open to students in September 2028. The total estimated SDA project costs for the new school is \$121.8 million.

About the SDA

The SDA is the State agency responsible for fully funding and managing the new construction, modernization and renovation of school facilities projects in 31 SDA Districts. Its current portfolio of

active projects is valued at approximately \$2 billion – including the Capital Project portfolio, emergent projects and Regular Operating District grants. Since the program's inception, the SDA has provided funding for and management oversight of approximately 900 completed school facilities projects in SDA Districts and has executed more than 5,700 grants for Regular Operating Districts throughout the State of New Jersey. For more information about the SDA, please visit our website at: www.njsda.gov or follow us on social media at: [Facebook](#); [Instagram](#); [LinkedIn](#); or [Twitter](#).