



LCPS Department of Support Services

Douglass High School Commemorative Committee

Construction Updates

**April 17, 2023
Committee Meeting**



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VIEW LOOKING WEST THROUGH FRONT PLAZA
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VIEW OF EAST COURTYARD LANDSCAPING
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FENCING AT BASKETBALL COURT
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RESTROOM BUILDING
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COMMEMORATIVE ELEMENTS UPDATES - EXTERIOR:

- Commissioned Artwork:
 - Sculpture fabrication underway – installation planned for November 2023
 - Gym Exterior Mural – work to occur May 1 – 7
- East Courtyard Frederick Douglass Seated Sculpture & Bench:
 - Bench installation – May 10
 - Sculpture installation by Artist – May 12
- West Courtyard Memorial Tree & Fountain – mid-May
- Engraved Pavers: Delivery to site late April; Installation To be Determined
- Monument Sign: Delayed; To be Determined
- Site Furnishings (Benches, Tables, etc): Delivery to site late April; Installation to be Determined
- Exterior Custom Signage: In Fabrication; Delayed; Installation To be Determined – June Estimate
 - Exterior Commemorative Signs
 - Exterior Directory and “Did You Know?” Signs (West Courtyard)
 - Amphitheater Sign Panels, Lettering and Flagpoles
 - Inspiration Way Curved Wall
 - W&OD Trail





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CONSORTIUM MOVE INFORMATION:

- Offices are ready for move-in Week of May 8
- Stakeholder Organization Offices – Display Rail: On order
 - Installation early to mid-May

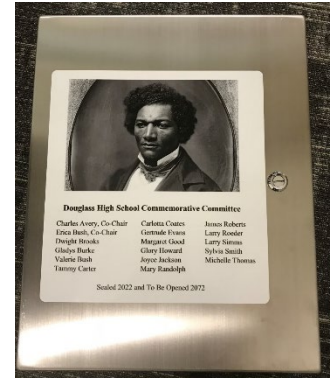




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COMMEMORATIVE ELEMENTS UPDATES - INTERIOR:

- Time Capsule: Time Capsule installation completed
 - Plaque installation mid-May
- Display Cases, \$1 Bill Display & Frederick Douglass Bust Display:
 - All display cases have been received and are onsite
 - Bust, \$1 and Artifact installation may occur Week of May 15
- Interior Custom Signage: In Fabrication; installation mid-May
 - Front & Back Timelines
 - Interior Commemorative Signs (Room Signage)
 - Interior Directory
- 1941 Area Basketball Hoops: mid-May
- 1941 Replica Scoreboard: Installation completed
- 1960's Gym: Photo and Logo Graphic Panels installation late April
- Frederick Douglass Portrait Collage at Stage: To be Determined





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COMMEMORATIVE ELEMENTS UPDATES:

- Shop/Band Building Mural: underway



APRIL 3



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COMMEMORATIVE ELEMENTS UPDATES:



SHOP & BAND BUILDING MURAL
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Comments or Discussion?



Dedication Subcommittee suggested assignments for DHSCC members on May 21, 2023
(April 17, 2023 DHSCC Meeting)

We ask all members to be at their assigned location immediately after the ribbon cutting ceremony.

*Charles Avery/Erica Bush will fill in where needed.

Inside:

LDAA Room - Carlotta Coates
EWS Room - Larry Roeder
NAACP Room - Michelle Thomas
The Struggle Years Timeline - Gertrude Evans
LDAA Timeline - Dwight Brooks
Dollar Bill - Mary Randolph
Time Capsule - Gladys Burke
Auditorium - Glory Howard

Outside:

Front Plaza - Valerie Bush
Inspiration Way - Tammy Carter
Amphitheater - Jim Roberts
East Courtyard - Jaxon Roberts
Mural - Larry Simms
Band Building - Sylvia Smith/Joyce Jackson
West Courtyard - Margaret Good

DHSCC DEDICATION SUBCOMMITTEE VIRTUAL MEETING AGENDA

Date: Monday, March 27 and April 3, 2023

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Facilitator: Valerie Bush (Chair)

Attendees:

03/27/2023 Meeting:

Gladys Burke | Erica Bush | Valerie Bush | Carlotta Coates | James Roberts | Donna Torraca | Mary Randolph | Larry Simms

Absent: Sara Howard-O'Brien, Michelle Thomas

04/03/2023 Meeting:

Erica Bush | Valerie Bush | Carlotta Coates | Kevin Lewis | James Roberts | Donna Torraca | Sara Howard-O'Brien | Larry Simms

Absent: Michelle Thomas, Gladys Burke, Mary Randolph

Status of Dedication Events and Activities

- **Music**
 - No change: LCPS will follow up after sound system is installed in building to determine the preferred method of receipt. **Suggestion:** Possibly use XM radio
- **Program**
 - Draft Program was provided to the subcommittee.
 - Doors will open at 1:25pm as string quartet will begin playing at 1:30pm.
 - LCPS has shared the updated seating chart
 - Choir – has requested 3 stand up microphones and power for piano. LCPS is unable to provide microphones. Dion is welcomed to schedule a time to view the facility.
- **Human Logistics**
 - Still working on best way to keep the crowd moving.
 - LCPS is confident that they are able to stream the program onsite/offsite
 - Audio/Video companies have been vetted and selection will be made soon.
 - LCPS is working on parking alternatives with shuttle service, traffic control, event signs, police assistance.
- **Tours Guides**

- Need to identify guides for Sunday/Monday
- **Miscellaneous Items**
 - **Keynote Speaker** – Kevin Douglass Greene bio was shared with the subcommittee.
 - **Guest List** – The list has been massaged down to 500+
 - LCPS will mail invitations and tickets.
 - LCPS is designing a website for everyone to RSVP for the event.
 - **Ribbon Cutting** –
 - Kevin shared that LCPS procedure is to have the ribbon cutting ceremony at the conclusion of the program. The ribbon cutting ceremony will now follow the program at the front entrance of the building.
 - **Nominees** suggested to cut ribbon: Almeta Ferrell Johnson, Mary Lee Perry, Peggy Roberts, Edwina Hall Morse, Rosetta Bush, Reggie Simms, Alvin Dodson, Virginia McCorn, Sterling Cook, Ronald Hampton, Alvin Dodson, Janet Wiggins, Charlotte Coates, Helen Avery, Mildred Nichols, Erica Bush, Carlotta Coates, Valerie Bush.
 - M. Nichols is unable to attend.
 - Edwina Morse is unable to attend.
 - V. McCorn has transportation challenges.
 - **Decision:** Committee decided the 17 DHSCC members, 4 Alumnus (Ronald Hampton (Speaker), Sterling Cook, Almeta Ferrell Johnson, and Rosetta Bush) and County officials to hold the ribbon. 1 person to give remarks (3-5 min)
 - 25ft ribbon with school colors / 2 pair scissors
 - Releasing of balloons – **This is prohibited by Virginia Law**
 - Recommended dress: Business Casual
 - **Volunteers** – Will be dressed in green shirts and black bottoms for consistency and easily identifiable,
- **Invitation Only**
 - Alumnus open house is scheduled for 12:30 – 1:30pm. Logistics still need to be worked out regarding wrist bands.
 - Invitations sent by 4/21/23
 - RSVPs required and may be by phone or online; LDAA and LCPS to coordinate on all RSVPs.
 - Suggestion that Douglass Alumni who have already RSVP through LDAA inquiry will receive tickets.
 - For late RSVPs there will be a will call station to pick up entry tickets
- **Items to think about for next meeting:**
 - Logistics
- Adjournment at 7:15 pm

Action Items:

Due by Date	Item	Owner
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Due by
Date

Item

Owner

Next Meeting: April 10, 2023 @ 6:00pm

SATURDAY
MAY 20

Meet &
Greet

with

KEVIN DOUGLASS GREENE

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