
Teaching Learning and Equity Department/Program Board Summary Report

This report is designed for Department or Program Leaders to provide a concise, high-level overview of their area's status, activities, and future plans to the School Board.

Report Identification

Field	Information
Department/Program Name:	1 st Street Building (Duluth Education Center, DNT)
Report Title:	Construction Progress
Report Leader:	Bryan Brown
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Date of Board Meeting:	

Summary Report

I. Program Objectives & Goals (What are we trying to achieve?)

Construction Progress at the 1st Street Building (former DNT building located at 424 W 1st St, Duluth, MN). The building size is 72,000 sq ft, 51,000 sq ft of the building has been designed for program space; approximately 21,000 sq ft of space in the basement level is for future considerations.

Programs include:

- STEPS
- T-12/Bridge Special Education
- District-Wide Staff
- ECSE & Early Childhood
- District Testing/Screening
- Community Education
- ALC/AEO – Middle School & High School
- Adult Education

The goal is to complete construction in the summer of 2026.

II. Key Actions & Activities (What have we done recently?)

Construction continues to advance on schedule, with great progress on both the 1st and 2nd floors. Roofing work will be completed next week. Approximately 40 contractors are on-site daily.

Recent Construction Highlights

2nd Floor:

Bathroom wall tile has been completed.
A majority of the ceiling tile has been installed.
Demountable glass partitions have begun installation.
A preliminary punch list for the 2nd floor is scheduled for June 10th.

1st Floor:

Flooring continues throughout the 1st floor. Floor leveling was also completed this week.
Ceiling grid and tile are following the flooring installation.
Painting is nearing completion.
The MEP trades continue with their rough-ins/finishes.

III. Outcomes & Results (What was the impact?)

The project remains on schedule for completion in summer 2026.

IV. Next Steps & Future Focus (What is planned for the future?)

Construction Priorities

- Continue the flooring installation on the 1st floor as well as the tile installation.
- Complete drywall finishes on the 1st floor and basement.
- MEP finishes installation on the 1st floor and basement.

- Mechanical infrastructure installation on the 3rd floor.
- Elevator installation.
- 1st Floor Punch list is scheduled for Mid-July.

Budget Updates

The construction budget is updated monthly with each pay application.

Current Summary:

- Total Budget: \$15,724,044
- Cost to Date: \$11,055,482
- Contingency Remaining: \$49,980
- FF&E Remaining: \$250,000
- Energy Rebates are being reviewed by MN Power and will be finalized in July.

F. Current Project Photos



Demountable glass partitions on the 2nd floor



Flooring installation on the 1st floor



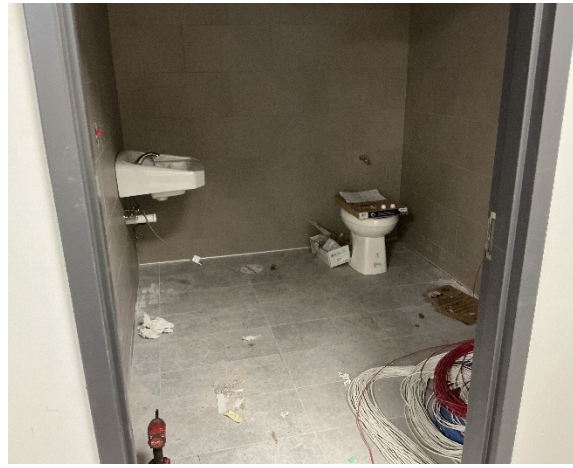
Electrical finishes on the 1st floor



Bathroom partitions on the 2nd floor



Mechanical infrastructure delivery on 3rd floor



Plumbing finishes on the 1st floor