

ROWLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

# BUILDING FUTURES

COMMUNITY MEASURE R UPDATE

## Villacorta Celebrates 50th Anniversary



Villacorta Principal Elaine Ganiko and PTA surprised the school with a new mural on the modernized multipurpose room, featuring icons to celebrate each decade the school was open. The 50th Anniversary Celebration was held May 30.



New Multipurpose Room, Staff Lounge and Teacher Prep Area.

## Modernization of Villacorta Multipurpose Building COMPLETED!



Students enjoy their new cafeteria.



New kitchen at Villacorta.



Teachers love their new lounge and kitchen!

New Covered Exterior Eating Area for Students, New Staff Lounge, Kitchen and Teacher Prep Room, New Ceiling, Lights, Heating and Air Conditioning, New Cafeteria and Kitchen, New Sewer, Water and Electrical Services

# First Phase of Modernization Efforts

Thanks to our community, the \$118 Million Measure R Bond will continue to modernize and improve Rowland schools and classrooms. Modernization efforts are focused on school classrooms and science labs, along with upgrading aging utility infrastructures (water, sewer, storm drain, and electrical/data).

Rowland USD is excited to be planning the vision for all school sites, incorporating future design needs while this summer and fall architect plans are in the process of being designed, finalized and approved by the State.

There will be multiple phases of construction that will take place from Spring 2009 to Summer 2013.

## Standard Classroom Modernization Includes:

- Learning Walls (wall units that feature teaching tools such as white boards, storage area and space for multimedia technology/projector screen)
- Data/Electrical Upgrades
- Lighting Replacement (if needed)
- Plumbing Infrastructure Replacement
- Ceiling Repair/Replacement

## Science Labs

- Increase size of science labs when possible.
- New built-in science lab stations that include acid-resistant countertops, gas and increased storage capacity.

Sample plan of Blandford Elementary below and Ybarra Academy next page.

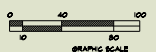
**First Phase Schools:**  
 Blandford Elementary  
 Stanley G. Oswalt Academy  
 Villacorta Elementary  
 Ybarra Academy of the Arts and Technology



BLANDFORD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
 200 BLANDFORD DR., ROWLAND HEIGHTS, CA 91768  
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## MODERNIZATION PLAN

- LEGEND:
- CLASSROOMS
  - EXISTING BUILDING
  - EXISTING ADDITION
  - EXISTING LANDSCAPE
  - EXISTING TREES



Classrooms scheduled for modernization.



**Ybarra - Bond Issues**

- Code Compliance: ADA, Fire Life Safety Issues
- Infrastructure: Electrical System Upgrade  
Classroom Electrical  
Plumbing System Upgrade
- Modernization: Classrooms  
Learning Walls  
"Wonder of Reading" Libraries
- Additional Housing: Accommodate growth

**Legends:**

- MODERNIZATION OF CLASSROOMS
- EXISTING BUILDING
- NEW/EXIST PORTABLE

**MORE WONDER OF READING LIBRARIES OPEN IN OUR SCHOOLS!**



*Rorimer Elementary's Wonder of Reading Library opened December 10 with the library's theme of "Oh, The Places You'll Go!"*

New 1,920 sq. ft. libraries include \$10,000 of books, new furniture, windows, doors and casework, flooring, CAT5/Data drops and new computers!



*La Seda Elementary's Wonder of Reading Library opened March 21.*



**NEXT TO OPEN:**  
Northam Elementary, June 6!

## Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee

### *Bond Oversight Committee*

- Dr. Nimesh Ladhawala, *Chairperson*  
(*Business Community*)  
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Mr. Gilbert Acevez  
(*RUSD Parent and PTA/PTO*)  
Mrs. Kathi Delegal  
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Dr. Theodore Ebenkamp  
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(*Community Member*)

*\*If you are a community member interested in being on the committee, please call (626) 854-8309.*

**NEXT CITIZENS' BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING: June 18 at 7 p.m., District Office Board Room**

## ROWLAND ELEMENTARY WALKWAY CANOPY



Using funds from both Measure R 2000 and 2006, the District replaced the wooden walkway canopy at Rowland Elementary with a low maintenance steel structure that includes conduit for utility wiring.

Additional work includes a new underground storm drain system to remove rain run-off from the interior of the campus and a security video surveillance system.

The Bond Oversight Committee is responsible for overseeing the expenditure of funds raised by the \$118 million Measure R Bond for the continued modernization of classrooms and schools in the Rowland Unified School District.

The Committee reviews the District's expenditures of bond proceeds to ensure that they are expended only for the purposes set forth in the ballot measure. The panel serves for one or two-year terms, and by law, members

must be representative of the community in specific areas: business, senior citizens' organization, parent/guardian of a child enrolled in the District, taxpayers' association, parent/guardian of a child in the District and active in a parent-teacher group, and two community members appointed by the Board.

Meeting agendas, reports

and further information can be found on the District's website at [www.RowlandSchools.org](http://www.RowlandSchools.org).

**Facilities Vision Statement:**  
The Governing Board of the Rowland Unified School District has a mandate from the community to modernize our facilities. We are accountable for results that demonstrate fiscal responsibility and strategic implementation that reflect our collective vision of excellence.

**Don't Forget to Check [www.RowlandSchools.org](http://www.RowlandSchools.org) For Bond Construction Updates!**



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