
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:	Duluth Education Center, DNT, 1 st street building
Report Title:	Construction Progress
Report Leader:	Bryan Brown
Date Submitted:	11-25-2025
Date of Board Meeting:	



Summary Report

Guidance for Summary:

- *Please provide a brief, professional summary (recommended length: 1-2 pages) covering the essential elements below.*
- *This section should be a standalone document that clearly communicates your program's purpose, recent activities, and direction.*

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

Construction Progress at the 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, leaving approximately 21,000 sq ft of space in the basement level 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 and High School
- Adult Education
- Central Enrollment

The goal is to complete construction in the summer 2026.

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

Construction contracts were awarded in Sept 2025. Construction continues on site.

Construction activities ongoing:



1. Material procurement is ongoing.
2. Exterior utility construction is complete. A new sanitary sewer has been added in the alley. A new water service in the first street road is complete.
3. Demolition on the 2nd floor is complete. Interior wall framing, drywall construction, door frame installation, electrical and mechanical rough-in on the 2nd floor are ongoing. Subfloor installation on the 2nd floor is complete.
4. Demolition continues on the 1st floor. Subfloor installation on the 1st floor is ongoing.
5. Demolition continues in the basement. Basement utilities installations are ongoing.
6. Abatement is generally complete.

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

1. The construction schedule remains on track to complete the project in the summer 2026.

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

1. Construction Progress:
 - a. Concrete for the basement infill arrives the first week of December.
 - b. Steel installation for the 1st floor infill starts in December.
 - c. Interior Construction will continue on the 1st floor and second floor.
 - d. Periodic inspections from the city are ongoing.
2. The construction budget is updated monthly with the submission of the pay application.
3. The schedule remains on track.

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A. Notable Activities this Period

Planning and Design

1. Planning and Design is complete- no open activities.

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B. Activities Planned for Next Period

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C. Financial Status

1. The budget is reconciled each month with the pay application submission.
2. Summary:
 - a. Total Budget \$15,724,044
 - b. Cost to date: \$1,641,448.
 - c. Contingency: \$550,493.
 - d. FF&E \$250,000.

D. Schedule Status:

1. The project is scheduled to be complete in the summer of 2026.



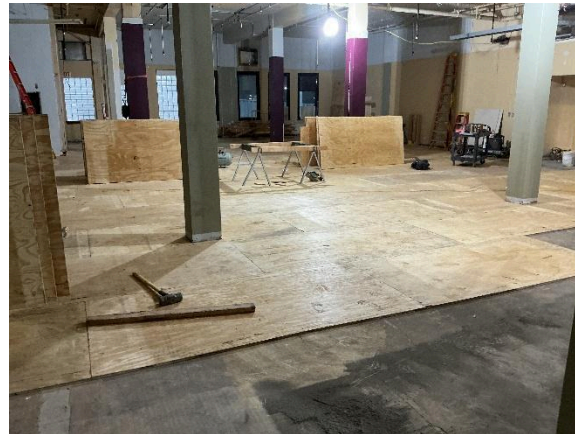
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F. Current Project Photos

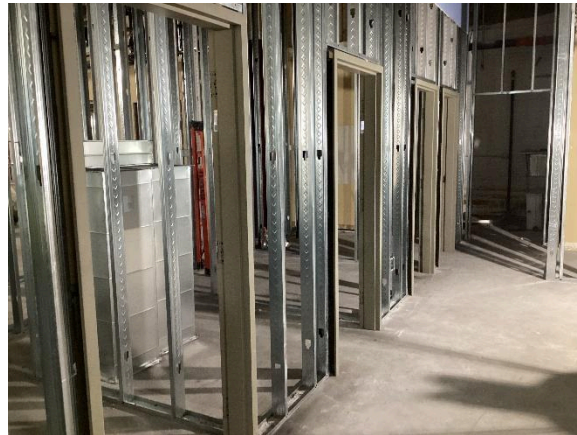


Interior Basement Plumbing

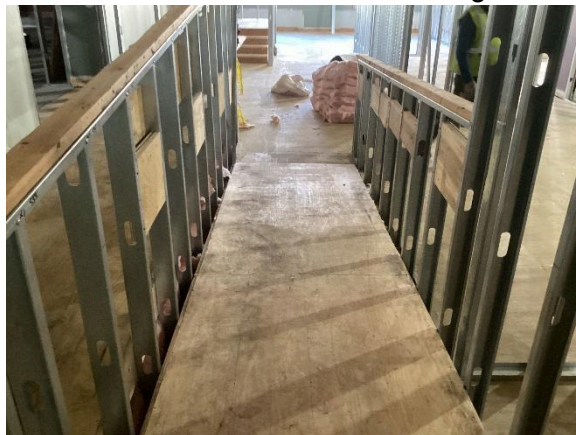
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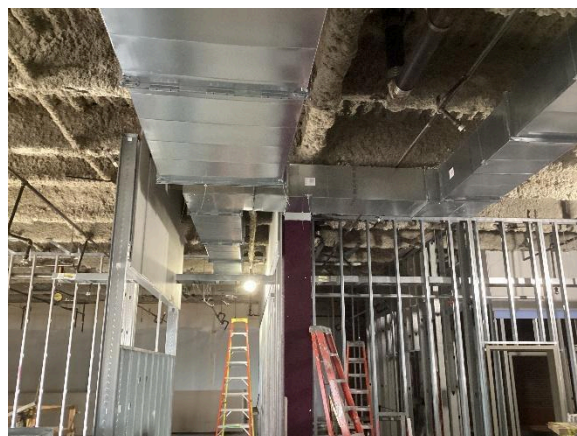
Stair Construction



Framing and Door Frame Installation



Ramp Construction



HVAC Installation