

# **S. M. WILSON BREAKS GROUND ON EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER RENOVATION & ADDITION FOR MAPLEWOOD RICHMOND HEIGHTS SCHOOL DISTRICT**

St. Louis, Mo., December 9, 2016 – S. M. Wilson & Co. has broken ground on the Maplewood Richmond Heights School District Early Childhood Center (ECC) renovation and addition. The \$7.9 million building program includes construction of a new 90-space parking lot and improvements to the current ECC campus.

Renovations to the current ECC building will include a gut remodel of all classrooms, installation of new HVAC and fire protection sprinkler systems and upgrades to the security system. Site improvements will include enhancements to the drop off/pickup area, bus lanes, site fencing, site lighting and modular retaining walls. The adjacent Burgess Avenue will be changed from the existing one-way traffic design to accommodate two-way traffic, and new sidewalks will improve pedestrian access to the campus.

The new one-story addition will feature a multipurpose room and three pre-school classrooms. It will be built on the current ECC parking lot at 2801 Oakland Avenue in Maplewood. The project will include more than 15,000 square feet of new and renovated educational space.

Upon completion of the remodel and addition, the ECC will have a total of nine new classrooms and intervention spaces, plus a large multi-purpose room

S. M. Wilson will provide Construction Management services,

and Bond Architects is the project's architect. Construction is scheduled to be completed in late Summer 2017.

This is the fifth building project S. M. Wilson has handled for the Maplewood Richmond Heights School District since 2001. Most recently the company completed a \$3.7 million program of renovations and additions to two different schools, including renovations to the high school and the construction of a new addition and renovations at the Early Childhood Center.

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