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Help name the new school

District 16 seeking suggestions for name of new elementary school in Blaine

It will be a brand new school, near newly developed neighborhoods and parks, in Blaine.

You can help name it.

At the end of May, School District 16 will break ground on a new 700-student capacity K-3 elementary school in Blaine.

The School Board has already been considering names, but would also like the community to provide ideas for a name as well.

Spring Lake Park School District 16 serves 4,500 students in Blaine, Spring Lake Park, and Fridley and its enrollment is growing.

The school district has launched its four-year Facilities Improvement Plan, with construction at all sites this summer, to significantly upgrade all school facilities.

Construction on the new school will begin this summer with an opening scheduled for the start of the 2008-09 school year.



The site of the new school is just south of 125th street, on Cloud Drive in Blaine.

The School Board will be making the decision on a school name, possibly by the time of ground-breaking, but would like to hear suggestions about a name from any community members that wish to share their ideas.

To submit an idea for the new school's name:

- leave a voicemail message at 763-795-5195
- e-mail your suggestion to NameTheNewSchool@district16.org

Please provide your suggestion no later than April 18. At the Board's April 24 meeting, they will share a short list of names that will be considered, and will then also solicit community input on this list.

A new name for the school could be announced as early as the Board's May 22 meeting.

Details and drawings of the school can be found by visiting Facilities Improvement Plan Updates at www.springlakeparkschools.org