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CTA Construction, Heery International and HMFH Architects break ground on \$28 million Bresnahan Elementary School

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CTA Construction, Heery International and HMFH Architects held a ground breaking ceremony at 333 High St. for the new \$28 million "model" Bresnahan Elementary School. Also in attendance was Mass. State treasurer, Steve Grossman, and representatives from the city of Newburyport and Newburyport School Committee.

Bresnahan Elementary School is the second "model" school project for CTA Const. and HMFH Archts. When complete, the school will be 112,000 s/f and combine two existing schools, which separately house Newburyport's PK-K and grades 1-3, into one building that will share its site with the community's senior center. The school, which will be built on a 17.5 acre stie, will provide space for a large student population of 760 students. "We are fortunate to have a strong, creative, highly skilled and responsive team with HMFH Architects, Heery International as OPM, and CTA Construction as contractor," said Donna Holaday, mayor.

The Mass. School Building Authority's (MSBA) Model School Program focuses on adapting the design of successful, recently constructed public schools as those schools are efficient in their design, easy to maintain, contain optimal core learning space, accommodate enrollment fluctuations, incorporate sustainable design elements, and flexible in educational programming spaces while supporting community use.

The project is participating in the Mass. Collaborative for High Performance Schools (MA CHPS). CTA Const. is the general contractor, Heery Int'l. is the owner's project manager and HMFH is the architect.

Shown (from left) are: representative Mike Costello; senator Kathleen O'Connor Ives; treasurer Steven Grossman; former superintendent of schools, Deirdre Farrell; facilities director Steven Bergholm; mayor Donna Holaday; city counselor Dick Sullivan, Jr.; and Laura Wernick, prinicpal, HMFH Architects

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