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Salem-Keizer Public Schools cuts the ribbon on bond-funded improvements at Auburn Elementary School

In May 2018, voters approved a \$619.7 million bond to fund improvements for Salem-Keizer schools

SALEM, Ore. – Recently, supporters of Auburn Elementary School, including local dignitaries, school board members, community supporters and school staff, gathered at a ribbon-cutting ceremony to celebrate bond-funded improvements at Auburn.

With a total project budget of nearly \$22 million, Auburn received 11 new classrooms, a new cafeteria, kitchen and server, a new multipurpose fitness room, additional parking, a new covered play area, seismic improvements and more. The main office was also relocated to the east side of the building and received a welcoming and secured check-in space to increase safety and security.

“All of the work done here at Auburn will make a world of difference for our school, greatly improving the learning environment and increasing support for our students as they prepare for the next level of their education,” said Auburn Principal Katie Shumway. “It’s wonderful to be able to have all our students under the same roof, and to no longer need portable classrooms!”

“I really want to thank our Salem and Keizer communities who are committed to supporting student success,” said Director of Elementary Education Kevin Walker. “Our mission is to prepare all students for a successful life after graduation, and it starts right here at the elementary level, providing safe, productive and modern learning spaces to help students grow.”

For more information about the status of projects funded by the 2018 bond, please visit the [Bond Projects home page](#) on the district website.

Watch the full video of the ribbon-cutting, including speeches by Auburn Elementary School students Uriyah, EJ and Naithan on the [Salem-Keizer Public Schools YouTube Channel](#).



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Cutline: Auburn Elementary School students, Uriyah Colvin (left), EJ Crus-Camacho (middle) and Naithan Bahena-Carranza (right) cut the ceremonial ribbon to mark the completion of construction for the school under the 2018 bond program.

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Led by Superintendent Christy Perry, Salem-Keizer School District 24J is the second-largest school district in the state of Oregon. Nearly 5,000 employees serve more than 41,000 students in 65 schools in the cities of Salem and Keizer.