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Mililani Middle School Transition to Single-Track Calendar

I am pleased to announce that the Governor recently released \$21.375 million to fund the construction of a new classroom building at Mililani Middle School.

Mililani Middle is one of three schools remaining on a multi-track calendar, which was created as a way to optimize facility use at overcrowded campuses. While this concept may manage large student populations, it has been challenging for faculty, parents, and students. In addition, students on multi-track calendars do not receive equitable school hours.

Since learning about the issue, the Legislature was proactive in providing support. Working with the Department of Education and school faculty, it was discovered that the middle school needed a minimum of 15 additional classrooms to transition to a single track calendar. To provide an immediate solution, the Legislature appropriated \$23 million to design and construct classrooms at the middle school.

Last month, the Governor released \$21.375 million for the construction of the building. The Department of Education is currently working to close the bid for construction on June 29, 2018, and they expect to break ground next year.

Given the lack of adequate space on the current campus, the Department of Education will acquire less than one acre of the Mililani Mauka Community Park. The City & County of Honolulu is actively working with the Department of Education on the expansion of the middle school. Park users will also have weekend access to the school's new parking lot.

