



Ark High School

Fall 2002

BUILDING NEWS

A summer of change

The Ark School is an alternative school that offers high school students a community setting, multi-graded study programs, individualized academic attention and the opportunity to learn valuable employment skills. As part of the Santa Cruz City Schools District, the Ark offers a high school diploma through a very unique curriculum. DES Architects + Engineers of Redwood City was approached by the District to design a campus that would compliment and enhance the individuality of this school.

Once school let out in June, Slatter Construction Inc. of Santa Cruz mobilized its team and began demolishing the existing structures on site. Grading and installation of underground utilities followed, as well as the construction of asphalt and concrete paving and curbs. Then six new permanent portable classrooms were located at the eastern boundary of campus, close to Swift Street. These portables currently provide classroom and administrative facilities for the school while construction of the new independent studies and administration buildings is in progress.

The plans also call for the construction of a new lunch canopy, new basketball and volleyball courts and walkways that will not only integrate the campus but provide handicap access.



Demolition of old structures, grading the site and the new, permanent portable buildings for Ark High Students

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Monarch Elementary

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The original Monarch Elementary School was created in 1974 by

parents, teachers and administrators who wanted an alternative, child-centered, individualized learning

environment for students. Over

time, the community has reaffirmed its desire for multi-age classrooms, hands on curriculum and cooperative learning groups; in just the past 5 years, the student population of Monarch Elementary School has doubled. To accommodate this rapid growth, the District had to double the school's classroom capacity. The two existing portable classrooms were relocated to the western boundary of the shared campus with Ark High School. In addition, two new portable classrooms have been installed. Even with this expansion, the theme of a "one-room schoolhouse" will be maintained.



Preparing the site



*Photos from top left (clockwise):
installation of new portables,
tables and eating area,
finished classrooms*

Construction Budget Summary

Original Contract Amt.	\$2,193,000.00
Additional Costs	<u>\$14,383.00</u>
Total Cost to Date	\$2,207,383.00