



Dear Homewood Early Learning Center Families,

Thank you for your continued partnership and support as we build the new, expanded Homewood Early Learning Center (**HWELC**). We want to provide an update on the construction progress of the new center, as well as share important information about the upcoming construction of the **Data Science and Artificial Intelligence Institute (DSAI)**, which will eventually replace our current location.

Due to permitting delays in Baltimore City, completion of the new Homewood Early Learning Center is now expected in **Spring 2026**, a shift from the previously projected **January 2026**. As construction progresses, we will provide a more precise move-in timeline. **Please be assured** there will be no disruptions or gaps in childcare services during this transition.

In the meantime, construction on the DSAI South Building—located east of Agora—will begin while the current HWELC remains operational. **Families and staff will continue to have safe and convenient access to the center.**

Starting in **August 2025**, Wyman Park Drive will be closed to vehicular traffic. However, the **north-side sidewalk** (closest to the ELC) will remain open for pedestrian access. For those driving, access to the ELC parking lot will be **rerouted via Remington Avenue to 31st Street, and then to Wyman Park Drive**. Emergency vehicle access to the center will remain fully available.

While we understand construction may cause some inconvenience, the HWELC team—led by Hilary—is working closely with the DSAI construction manager, Whiting-Turner, the Office of Facilities and Real Estate, and the Office of Benefits & Worklife to ensure a safe, healthy, and supportive environment. **Noise and pollution mitigation measures will remain in place, as they have been during previous campus projects.**

To keep everyone informed, our project management team will host an informational virtual session on **Monday, June 9<sup>th</sup> from 11-12pm** to answer your questions and share a sneak peek of the new center.

Thank you again for your understanding, flexibility, and continued support. We look forward to sharing more updates with you as the project progresses.

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