



## Under Construction: Work continues at the Elias Brookings School

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Work continues at the new Elias Brookings School in Springfield (*The Republican / Dave Roback*)

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SPRINGFIELD - Workers are enclosing the new **Elias Brookings Museum Magnet School** at 367 Hancock Street.

The \$27.9 million school replaces one severely damaged in the **June 2011 tornado**. the **Massachusetts School Building Authority** decided on full reimbursement for Brookings and the \$15.2 million for the Mary Dryden School Project.

At Brookings, students have been using temporary modular classrooms since the tornado.

The new school is expected to be completed in early 2015.

At 65,000 square feet , Brookings will be larger than the former school building. It will have a gymnasium and a cafeteria with windows. The former school had no gym and the cafeteria had no windows. individual classrooms will be larger than the rooms in the old building. The school serves grades 1 through 5.

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