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Morris Area Public Library Expansion Project Moves into Phase 2

Morris, IL - February 2, 2026 - The Morris Area Public Library is pleased to announce that its expansion project is moving into **Phase 2**, marking an exciting step forward in the library's ongoing growth and improvement.

Beginning **February 10, 2026** construction work will start on the **south side of the building**. To prepare the space for this next phase, the library will be **closed on February 10 and 11**. The library will reopen on **February 12, 2026**.

When the library reopens, the **entire collection will be temporarily relocated to the north side of the building** to allow construction to continue safely and efficiently. During this phase, **updated study rooms will be available**, and the **new Community Space will begin to be used for library programming**, expanding opportunities for learning and connection.

As part of this transition, the **parking lot off Wauponsee Street will reopen**, and a **new public entrance will be accessible from that parking lot**, offering improved access for patrons.

The library appreciates the community's patience and understanding as work continues. This project represents the next chapter in the library's story, and staff are grateful for the continued support as improvements are made to better serve the community.

For updates and additional information, patrons are encouraged to visit the library's website or follow the Morris Area Public Library on social media.

About Morris Area Public Library: The Morris Area Public Library's mission is to provide materials, programming, and space to cultivate curiosity, enlighten the mind, and strengthen the community. We strive to offer diverse and enriching experiences for all members of our community.

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