



FIELD IMPROVEMENTS TO MURPHY PLAYGROUND CONSTRUCTION UPDATE JULY - AUGUST 2025

Thank you all for your ongoing patience during the construction of the Field Improvements to Murphy Playground! We know how important this park is for Margarita Muñiz Academy, local sports teams, and neighborhood residents. Our goal is to reopen the park in late fall 2025.

We're excited to share that the Parks Department has issued a Change Order upgrading the athletic fields from seed to sod. This means the fields will be ready for use by spring 2026—a full playing season earlier than originally planned. Given the high demand for athletic fields at Murphy Playground, and with several other Parks fields currently offline, we believe the added cost is well worth the value it will bring to the community.

We also want to let you know that bleacher painting and mural repair work will take place on September 6th. City Year, in partnership with Margarita Muñiz Academy and their volunteers, will lead this effort. To prepare the perimeter site walls, the patched concrete will need to be sanded and smoothed beforehand. *Please expect some noise along Child and Verona Streets toward the end of next week while this site work is underway.*

CONSTRUCTION JULY-AUGUST:

- New chain link fencing installed
- Porous paving installed
- New tree planting with water bags installed
- Bleachers repaired and painted with base coat
- Loam installed on athletic fields
- Site furnishings installed
- Water bottle filling station installed
- Rain garden soil installed and plantings begun
- More concrete flatwork completed
- Some concrete walkways have been poured
- ADA ramp installed to back of school
- Ballfield infield installed

WHAT TO EXPECT IN SEPTEMBER

- Completion of new chain link fence installation
- Path seed mix installed
- Sod installed with temporary irrigation

SITE PHOTO AUGUST 19, 2025:



Loam installed prior to sod installation

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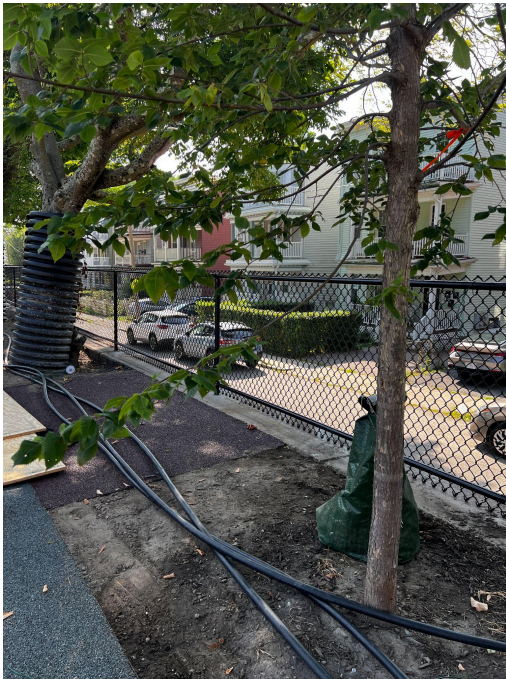
ADA ramp installed at back patio of Margarita Muniz Academy

SITE PHOTO AUGUST 19, 2025:



Rain garden installation has begun.

SITE PHOTO AUGUST 19, 2025:



New perimeter chain link fencing has been installed.

SITE PHOTO JUNE 30, 2025:



The installation of the outfield chain link fencing is almost complete!

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OTHER ITEMS:

- Please use [311](#) to document non-emergency issues relating to park use, and 911 for emergency situations relating to public safety.
- Construction questions and concerns can be directed to Nelle Ward (nelle.ward@boston.gov), Project Manager for Boston Parks and Recreation.
- Project Website: [Boston.gov/field-improvements-murphy-playground](https://boston.gov/field-improvements-murphy-playground)
- Please reach out with any additional questions: nelle.ward@boston.gov or 617-961-3035.