



FIELD IMPROVEMENTS TO MURPHY PLAYGROUND CONSTRUCTION UPDATE SEPTEMBER 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 Muñoz Academy, local sports teams, and neighborhood residents. Our goal is to reopen the park in spring 2026.

Now an important message: **PLEASE KEEP DOGS OFF THE FIELD!** There have been several reports of people breaking into the construction site. Dog urination and digging can easily destroy the newly planted sod, intended for the years to come. Please help keep the park in good condition. The park is closed for construction and should not be accessed at all. If you see people illegally entering the park, please let me know immediately, and feel free to ask them to leave.

A big thank you to City Year and all the City Year volunteers! The bleacher painting and mural repair work are complete and it looks beautiful. City Year is planning to coordinate with Margarita Muniz Academy to paint the school logo on top of the colorful triangles on the bleachers in the near future.

CONSTRUCTION SEPTEMBER

- Sod and subsurface irrigation installed!
- Completion of new chain link fence
- Ballfield netting installed
- Perimeter plant beds seeded
- Perimeter mural repaired
- Bleachers painted by City Year
- Concrete flatwork completed
- Vehicular gate installed
- Park signs installed
- Bike racks installed

WHAT TO EXPECT IN OCTOBER-END OF YEAR

- Trash receptacles installed
- Team benches installed

- Not a lot - Grass will continue to get established

SITE PHOTO SEPTEMBER 4, 2025:



Park signs installed.

SITE PHOTO SEPTEMBER 23, 2025:



New sod installed!

SITE PHOTO SEPTEMBER 23, 2025:



Perimeter planter seed mix needs more time to get established.

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New vehicular gate and foul line pole installed.

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Bleachers repaired and painted! Gate to players benches installed.

SITE PHOTO SEPTEMBER 23, 2025:



Detail of the bleacher mural.

SITE PHOTO SEPTEMBER 23, 2025:



Perimeter mural repaired!

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OTHER ITEMS:

- Please use [311](tel: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.