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Hickman Mills C-1 SELECTS DIGGS CONSTRUCTION–MORGANTI AS CONSTRUCTION MANAGER

(South Kansas City) -- On March 28, 2016, the board of education of the Hickman Mills School District approved the selection of construction team, Diggs Construction-Morganti as the district's Construction Manager Agent for the implementation of \$19 million of facility improvements to its elementary schools and major renovations to Ruskin High School, Baptiste Educational Center, and the Hickman Mills Freshman Center over the next five years.

According to Superintendent Dennis L. Carpenter, Ed.D, "Diggs Construction (LLC) is a local company with an office less than five minutes from HMC-1 and is a 100 percent minority business enterprise. Diggs has successfully completed school district bond projects in Hartford, Connecticut, totaling more than \$750 million over almost ten years. We are excited about the possibility of partnering over the next five years with this talented group that is uniquely reflective of our community." Morganti Construction is a national construction service company whose line of work boasts of contracts all over the world and has already completed two successful K-12 projects in partnership with Diggs.

Steve Meyers, Ed.D, executive director of operations stated, "One of the reasons we selected this dynamic duo as our CMA was their experience and community philosophy dedicated to Hickman Mills neighborhoods, students, and patrons. We are elated about the opportunity to work with Diggs Construction-Morganti.