
SH schools get better bids

Board approves
razing and lifting
contracts

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SOUTH HAVEN — The final bids for the \$27.6 million South Haven high school renovation and expansion project have been approved.

The school board Wednesday night voted to approve the last two bids, for demolition and elevators. It approved the other bids earlier this month, and sought new bids on these two categories.

The \$1.2 million demolition bid was awarded to Xtreme Demolition of Grand Rapids, and it was \$1.1 million lower than the bid rejected earlier this month.

The low elevators bid was \$105,395 from Otis Elevator Co. of Grand Rapids. The bid is for a gym elevator and a swim-

ming pool bleachers chair lift.

The project is being funded with bond proceeds, and is expected to take two years. Work will start the third week of December.

In other matters, it was announced that Assistant High School Principal Jeremy Burleson is leaving to take an administrative job with Lake Michigan College.

Burleson has been assistant principal for 18 months. He started working for the district 13 years ago as a special education teacher. He also founded and served as director of the district Career and Technical Academy.

He'll start his new job as LMC's director of academics and early college program at the South Haven campus Nov. 30.

"You are one of our best," Trustee Annie Brown told him. "You are a great leader. We will miss you."

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