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# West Loop Day School Plans Campus Around Commons Building

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Development in the **West Loop** can't stop and won't stop <http://chicago.curbed.com/tags/west-loop> . Add to it a large new day school campus that will call the historic **Chicago Commons** building its new home. The **Bennett Day School** <http://www.bennettdayschool.org/> is currently located in a ground level space of a residential building on **Fulton Street** <http://chicago.curbed.com/archives/2014/04/23/the-west-loop-is-getting-a-fancy-new-k8-day-school.php> , however, the new Junior K-8 campus will allow the progressive school to enroll more children, and is currently aiming for a **fall 2016** opening. The old Chicago Commons building at 955 W. Grand was designed by Chicago architects Pond and Pond and built in 1900. The former settlement house will have new life as the center of a new school and will soon feature a full-sized gym and over **10,000 square feet** of green space.



