

Construction Update March 2018

Airport High

- Work is progressing on the new press box and ADA accessible restrooms and parking for the baseball field. The roof is on the new press box and interior electrical and plumbing is progressing. The delivery of the new windows is critical. We anticipate a final Office of School Facilities (OSF) inspection by early April
- The roofing at Airport High School is still underway. The contractor is planning on working in the areas with the deteriorated roof decking when school is out over spring break. The contractor continues working at night for the safety of students
- Jumper Carter Sease is working on the design for a new code compliant fire alarm system for the entire campus
- Jumper Carter Sease continues to work on the design for the rehabilitation of the 700 Vocational wing
- Work is essentially complete on the Eagles Nest renovation. Some punch list items are being finished as we wait for the OSF inspection scheduled for March 21
- Fencing around the school courtyards has been installed and failed the OSF inspection. We are working on a settlement with the architectural firm to relocate or remove the fence as we pursue alternative means to improve campus security. We have requested a meeting with OSF to discuss some innovative alternatives

Brookland-Cayce High

- Work is progressing well on the new arena site. The footings and foundations are complete. Foundation block is expected to be complete by mid-March. Under slab electrical and plumbing is proceeding
- The design team continues working on the Design Development package for plans to renovate various portions of the school building
- The new tennis court is complete. We plan on resurfacing the existing courts as the weather improves this spring

Lexington Two Innovation Center

- Construction is progressing well but continues behind schedule. Mechanical, electrical and plumbing (MEP) rough ins continue. Most of second floor slabs (mezzanines) and concrete masonry work (CMU) is complete in the high bay shop area
- Roof joist and decking work has started in classroom/admin area with roofing work starting as decking is finished. MEP work is continuing in the overhead. The building is expected to be totally closed in by March 31.
- The work force has been averaging 96 people per day
- The installation of photovoltaic cells was discussed at the February Board of Trustees meeting. A decision was made to postpone the installation of the cells indefinitely

Busbee Creative Arts Academy

- Work to maintain the detention ponds designed to contain storm water from the new Cayce Elementary and Lexington Two Innovation Center will be ongoing on this site until both projects are completed
- Site work has started on the new play area

Fulmer Middle

- Jumper Carter Sease and the design team continue to work on the Design Development package. We plan to present a GMP at the April Board of Trustees meeting. The design will require demolition of a major portion of the existing school but will improve the curb-side appearance of the school and allow for instruction space to facilitate current teaching methods
- The plan for this project involves vacating this school during the 2018-19 school year to perform the extensive work proposed for the school. The plan is to move Fulmer students to the former Davis Early Childhood Center campus in the summer of 2018 after Springdale transitions back to their home campus

Northside Middle

- Thompson Turner has sub-contracted the waterproofing of the exterior west wall of the gym and will oversee the work during spring break

Pine Ridge Middle

- The design package for improved fire truck access was advertised mid-February with bid opening scheduled for early March. We have decided to postpone bid opening due to lack of interest at pre-bid conference. We have also added to the scope of work to repair deteriorated paving around the school. This will be added as an alternative bid item to award if funds permit. The State Fire Marshall made this a condition of occupancy during their inspection last summer. Abbeville/Bond/CPIF funds will be used for this project
- The access control system at Pine Ridge Middle has been installed and is being used by school personnel

Cayce Elementary

- The contractor continues to work on punch list items
- We are in discussion with the furniture vendor to have the nylon glides on the furniture replaced with felt glides over the summer break since the nylon glides seem to be damaging the wax on the classroom floors. It appears felt glides cause much less wear and will be recommended for use at Riverbank. We are working with Thompson Turner, the construction contractor, on a plan to re-wax the floors. It appears the contractor will fund Defender to accomplish the additional stripping and waxing during the summer break

Riverbank Elementary

- Construction work is progressing with an average work force of 125 workers per day. Brick veneer work is nearly complete. Ceiling grid work is progressing. We held a “courtesy” OSF above ceiling inspection to establish what is expected at the official inspections. Terrazzo work has started
- We have received tentative approval from the Lexington County Recreation and Aging Commission to continue use of their property known as W. Wilson Howard Park. A Memorandum of Understanding to formalize the agreement is in progress
- A “topping out” ceremony was held March 1 to celebrate the final structural steel being placed

Wood Elementary/Congaree-Wood Early Childhood Center

- The design package for improved fire truck access and fire sprinkler system was advertised mid-February with a bid opening scheduled for early March. We postponed the bid opening to late March due to lack of participation in the pre-bid conference. The State Fire Marshall made this a condition of occupancy during their inspection last summer. Abbeville/Bond/CPIF funds will be used for this project

Saluda River Elementary

- CMU work is progressing on the new construction areas. Steel joist and decking will start mid-March. Rough in MEP work should be finished by mid-March
- The contractors workforce has been averaging 45 workers per day
- The mechanical and electrical rough-in is underway in the renovated sections. Duct work is proceeding as well as pulling data/communication wiring. Ceiling grid installation is to start by March 12

Springdale Elementary

- Block work in the new construction area is scheduled to finish by March 16. Bar joist placement has started. Windows are being installed in the new media center. The contractors work force has been averaging 40 workers per day
- The lot purchased in Parrish Plantation has been removed from restrictions/covenants and control of the Homeowners Association (HOA)
- Watts and Associates began re-roofing the existing school on March 5. They are scheduled to be finished by early June. They are also doing the roofing on the new construction area

District-wide

- At the February meeting, the Board of Trustees approved the administration’s recommendation to relocate the Adult Education Program to B-C Grammar No. 1 once the school relocates to Riverbank Elementary. As part of the approved recommendation, the district’s STAR Family Partnership program which serves families with children prenatal through school entry will also

relocate to the B-C Grammar No. 1 campus. Plans are underway to create a family services center at this facility that will provide services for our community

- At the February 26, 2018 meeting, the Board of Trustees approved administration's recommendation to move the district's alternative program to the R. Earle Davis campus after Fulmer MS transitions back to their campus summer of 2019. The Board of Trustees also gave approval to name the alternative program New Bridge Academy
- The Board of Trustees at the February 26 meeting approved the director of operations' plan to use a moving service to move teachers and administration to the two new facilities, transitioning back to their newly renovated school, or to their temporary location while their school is renovated in 2018/19. The schools affected by this move are B-C Grammar No. 1, Pineview Elementary, Saluda River, Springdale, Fulmer MS, and BCHS and Airport HS vocational programs. The director of operations will use district maintenance staff to move vocational equipment to the new Lexington 2 Innovation Center
- Telcom is continuing to install data cabling at Springdale Elementary, Saluda River Academy for the Arts, Lexington 2 Innovation Center, and Riverbank Elementary as construction permits. A new paging system has been installed at Airport High and B-C High
- A3 Communications is continuing work on access control and camera installation at Springdale Elementary, Saluda River Academy for the Arts, Lexington 2 Innovation Center, and Riverbank Elementary as construction permits
- A3 Communications toured the remainder of the district's facilities with school administration and district and IT personnel to discuss access control at these facilities. A proposal for the cost of A3 installing access control at Congaree Elementary, Congaree-Wood Early Childhood/Wood Elementary, Northside Middle, and the R. Earle Davis Campus will be presented to the Board of Trustees at the March meeting for their consideration
- AAA Sign Company has obtained the permits for the new digital marquees signs for: Airport High, Brookland-Cayce High, Busbee Creative Arts Academy, Cayce Elementary, Congaree Elementary, Congaree-Wood Early Childhood Center/Wood Elementary and Pine Ridge Middle. Installation of these schools' marquees will begin by mid-May. They have also received permits for: Lexington Two Innovation Center and Springdale Elementary. They are working with the City of West Columbia to obtain approval and permits for Riverbank, Northside, Saluda River, and the new family services center that will open at the B-C Grammar No. 1 school. The date is still pending for the sign variance hearing with West Columbia
- A Request for Quote (RFQ) to replace old light fixtures with LED light fixtures throughout the district is out for bid with a bid deadline of March 15. LED replacement will begin at Saluda River and Springdale and then continue with replacing T-12 bulbs across the district
- Each school has received their furniture and equipment budget and were to complete their orders in February