



SCHOOL IMPROVEMENTS OF PRIDE BY 2025

Community Input Meetings

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Orangeburg County Library
1645 Russell Street, Orangeburg, SC
March 1 @ 10AM - 11:30AM



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BOARD ACTION REQUESTED

JOIN DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION
IN BRINGING FORTH THE
SOLUTIONS SHARED IN THIS
PRESENTATION TO THE
COMMUNITY FOR THEIR INPUT
AND FEEDBACK





60+

COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDER INFORMATION MEETINGS

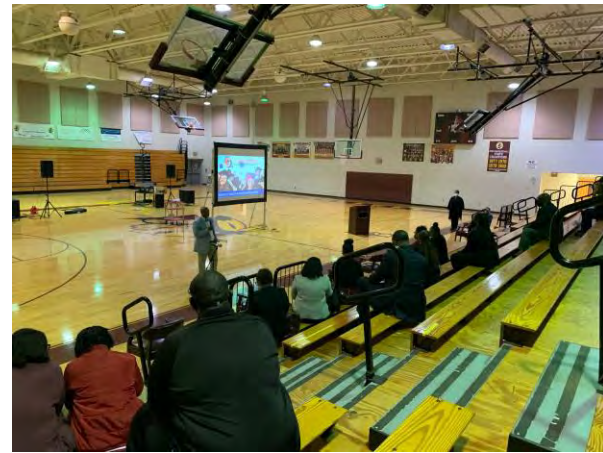
Lockett Elementary Facility and Demographic Study Prese... Chat Files **Details** Meeting notes

✓ Accepted Copy link → Forward Category: None

Monday, September 20, 2021 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM Show meeting info



Recording
Multiple available



STUDY: ENROLLMENT & FACILITIES



DEMOGRAPHY & FACILITIES STUDIES

Orangeburg County School District Administration and its Board of Trustees are engaged in comprehensive studies of enrollment trends and learning environments in partnership with independent professional organizations contracted to support this effort. The initial results were shared at the May 25, 2021, school board meeting and are linked below for public review.

DEMOGRAPHY STUDY

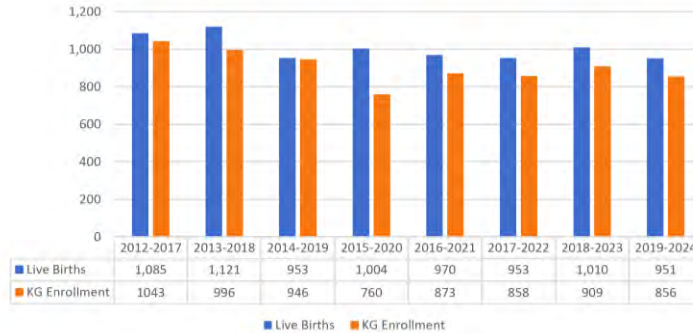
ARCBridge Consulting used data from the SC DHEC, County Department of Permitting and Inspections, the Census data and the American Community Survey to detail enrollment trends. Click on the words "Demographic Study" to see details of the study.

FACILITIES STUDY

Please see the Facilities Study conducted by LS3P for our District. The study results are alphabetized by school and separated in the four booklets below.

[Booklet 1](#) [Booklet 2](#)

[Booklet 3](#) [Booklet 4](#)



Census: Region loses people; population drops in Orangeburg, Bamberg, Calhoun

Orangeburg County's population dropped 8.9%. It had 92,501 people in 2010 and 84,233 in 2020.

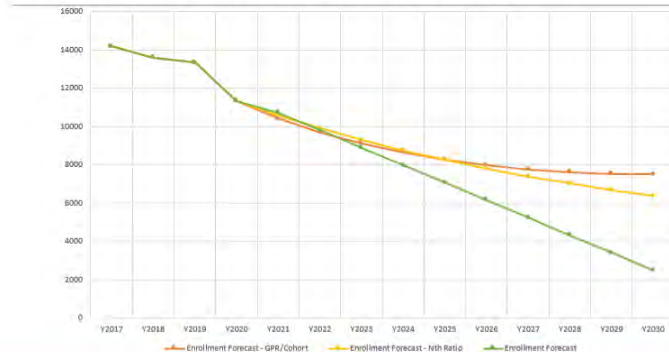
28,822 
TOTAL SEAT CAPACITY

11,338 
STUDENTS IN THOSE SEATS

39% OCCUPANCY OF SCHOOL CAMPUSES



Enrollment Forecast Models



 \$3,181,778
ANNUAL ENERGY COSTS FOR OCSD SCHOOL FACILITIES



Response

Can a new facility be built to accommodate the students of Vance and St. James?

Response

The demolition of school such as Vance- Providence Elementary would certainly save the district some funds.

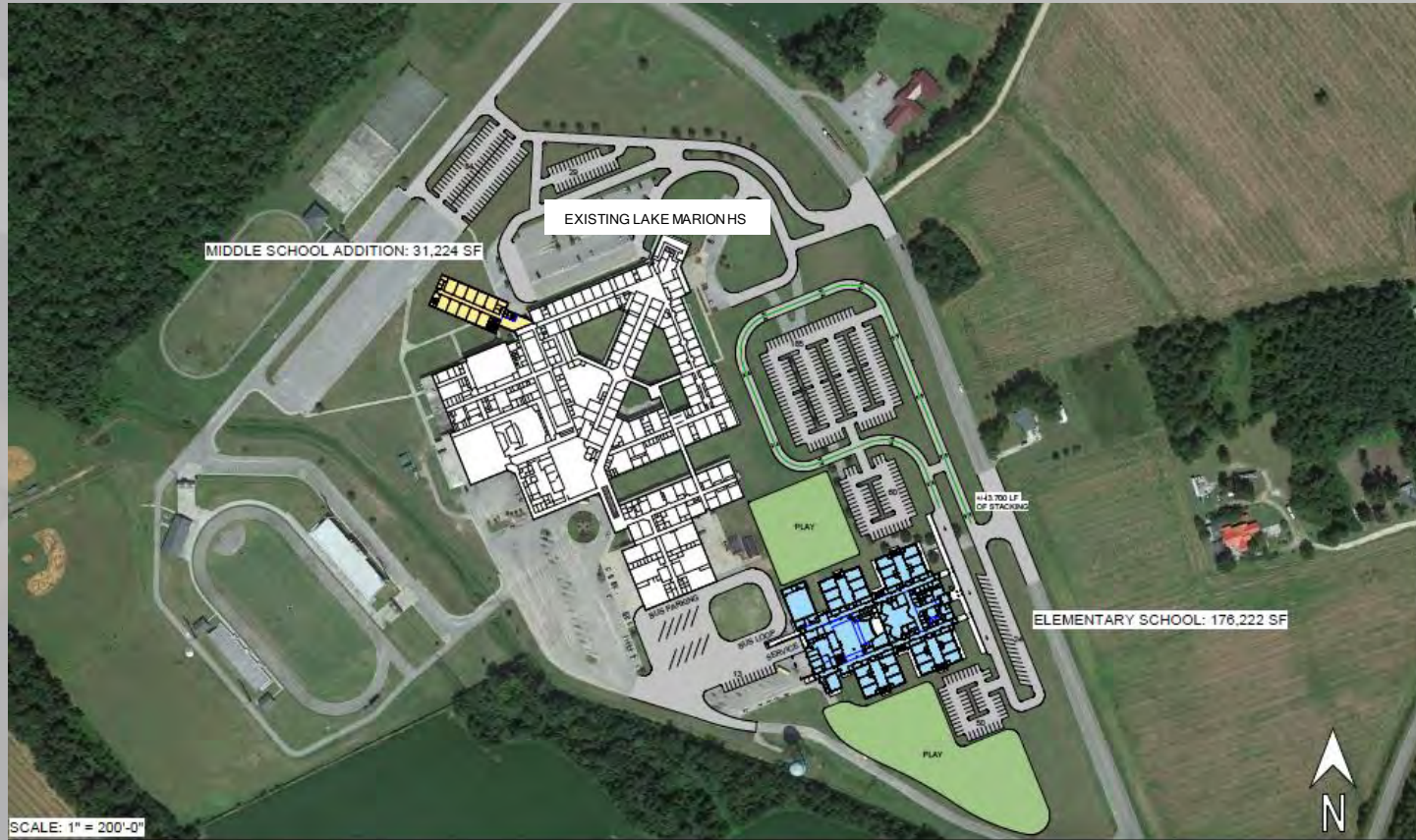
Response

I think that this is leading to the closure of schools. In my opinion, I think that the district should close Rivelon, Brookdale, and Vance primary. We could take these schools and use them as homework centers and Parent workshop centers. Taxes could also be increased as well.

Response

The purpose of the consolidation was to pool our resources together and provide a good education for the students in Orangeburg county including better school buildings. Closing some buildings was what we expected given the decrease in enrollment. My suggestion for the East is: Vance-Providence Elem. merge with Elloreë Elem., St.James-Gaillard merge with Holly Hill Elem. and move HollyHill-Roberts and Elloreë Middle schools to Lake Marion H.S. campus. This would eliminate our teacher shortage and money in the operation and maintenance of 3 buildings.

PROPOSED SOLUTION: K-12 LAKE MARION CAMPUS



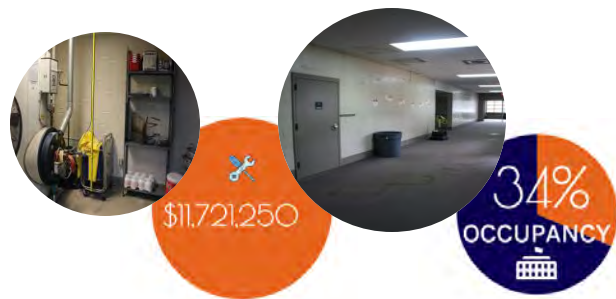
PROPOSED ELEMENTARY AT LAKE MARION





ELLOREE ES

ST. JAMES-GAILLARD ES



HOLLY HILL ES



VANCE-PROVIDENCE ES

NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AT
LAKE MARION



PROPOSED TIMELINE FOR EAST ELEMENTARY

MARCH 2022

DESIGN PHASE OF NEW SCHOOL

FEBRUARY 2023

GROUNDBREAKING OF NEW
SCHOOL

JUNE 2024

CLOSE ELLOREE, VANCE-
PROVIDENCE, ST JAMES-GAILLARD,
AND HOLLY HILL

AUGUST 2024

OPEN NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
ON LAKE MARION's CAMPUS



PROPOSED MIDDLE SCHOOL WING AT LAKE MARION



HOLLY HILL-ROBERTS MS



ELLOREE MS



PROPOSED TIMELINE FOR EAST MIDDLE CHANGES

MARCH 2022

DESIGN PHASE OF NEW
MIDDLE SCHOOL WING

FEBRUARY 2023

GROUNDBREAKING OF NEW
MIDDLE SCHOOL WING

JUNE 2024

CLOSE ELLOREE & HOLLY
HILL-ROBERTS MIDDLE

AUGUST 2024

OPEN MIDDLE SCHOOL WING
ON LAKE MARION's CAMPUS





Response

I would suggest building state of the art facilities and combine schools without any particular location of the county alone making the sacrifices for the good of all.

Response

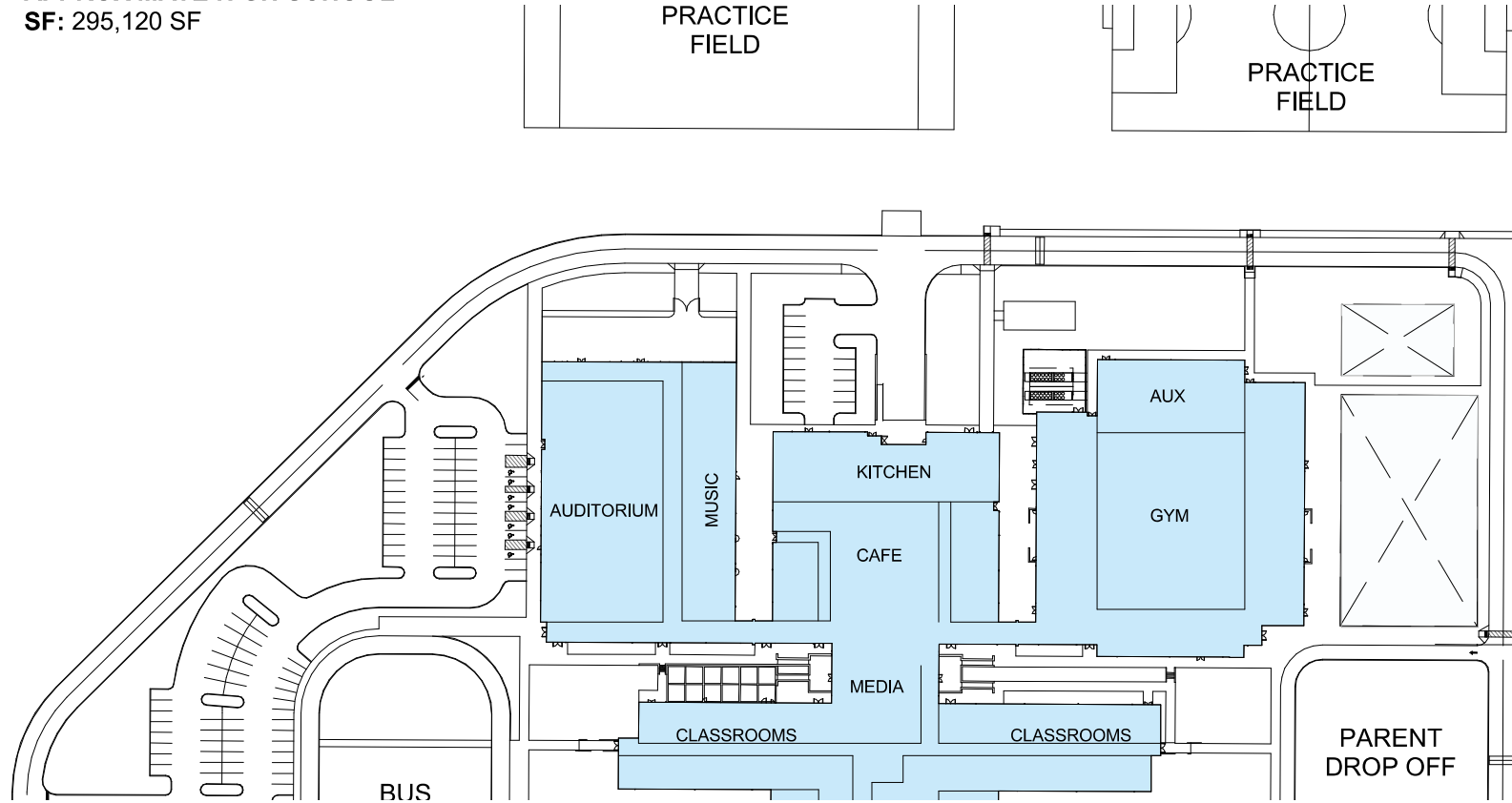
The information was very informative, and we recognize that change is going to be painful, but we look forward to what is in store for the district and its students, teachers, administrators, and stakeholders.

Response

Is it possible to merge boundaries and build new schools instead of spending large amounts to patch buildings that need more work than can possibly be done to sustain those buildings long term.

PROPOSED SOLUTION: NEW ORANGEBURG-WILKINSON HIGH SCHOOL

- **APPROXIMATE HIGH SCHOOL**
SF: 295,120 SF





ORANGEBURG-WILKINSON HIGH SCHOOL



\$53,986,500



NEW OW HIGH SCHOOL







Some schools need to merge if updates and or repairs can not be made. Close some schools if its possible.

Response

Consolidate some of the schools to have less buildings.

Response

To combine schools and close the ones that need the most work.

Response

We may need to consolidate smaller schools.



PROPOSED SOLUTION: RENOVATE EDISTO PRIMARY & TRANSITION RIVELON STUDENTS TO EPS



RIVELON ES


\$14,329,500



44%
OCCUPANCY


EDISTO PRIMARY SCHOOL



65%
OCCUPANCY


PROPOSED TIMELINE FOR RENOVATIONS TO EDISTO PRIMARY & TRANSITION OF RIVELON

JULY 2022

BEGIN MINOR RENOVATIONS &
REPAIRS TO EDISTO PRIMARY

JUNE 2023

CLOSE RIVELON ELEMENTARY

AUGUST 2023

TRANSITION RIVELON STUDENTS TO
EDISTO PRIMARY





Response

Very informative. Shared information that I wasn't aware of.

Response

Close some of the low capacity schools in the district.

Response

I believe we should look into schools with low student population (250 & below) and consider combining those schools/ students with other schools nearby to increase their school building usage and student body population.

Response

As a whole, is there discussion about possibly 'consolidating' those schools that are in the red for capacity to serve?



PROPOSED SOLUTION:

BUILD ADDITIONAL CLASSROOM WING ONTO CLARK MIDDLE



PROPOSED ADDITION TO CLARK MIDDLE



HOWARD MIDDLE SCHOOL



CLARK MIDDLE SCHOOL



PROPOSED TIMELINE FOR ADDITION TO CLARK MIDDLE SCHOOL

MARCH 2022

BEGIN DESIGNING NEW MIDDLE
SCHOOL WING FOR CLARK MIDDLE

FEBRUARY 2023

BREAK GROUND ON THE NEW WING

JUNE 2024

VACATE HOWARD MIDDLE FOR
RENOVATIONS

AUGUST 2024

OPEN THE NEW WING AT CLARK





Response

I agree with the decisions to upgrade the facilities and would also like to see some things done in the restrooms for the students.

Response

I have always been intrigued by budgeting, finances, utilizations, and overall assessment of operations in general.

I think it would be in the best interest to condense school communities and to start bringing some of our communities together. Sadly, that concept requires closing of some schools, but I believe it is the best interest for our county and school district.

Here are some general considerations I have in mind:

Combine Brookdale and Whittaker Elementary Schools

Combine St. James Gaillard and Holly Hill Elementary Schools

Combine Vance and Ellore Elementary Schools (Relocate Middle Grades 6-8)

Move Holly Hill-Roberts and Ellore Middle Schools to Lake Marion HS OR Build a New Middle School in the Santee Area

Build a K-8 for H-K-T Elementary-Middle, Dover Elementary, and North Middle Grades;

Combine Upper Levels of North High and H-K-T

Combine Rivelon and Mellichamp Elementary Schools



PROPOSED SOLUTION: RENOVATE & REPURPOSE HOWARD FOR ELEMENTARY LEARNING

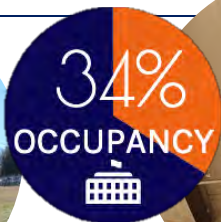


WHITTAKER ES



BROOKDALE ES

MELLICHAMP ES



HOWARD ES



PROPOSED TIMELINE FOR RENOVATING HOWARD & REPURPOSING FOR ELEMENTARY LEARNING

MARCH 2022

PLAN & DESIGN RENOVATIONS TO
TRANSFORM HOWARD MIDDLE TO
AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

JUNE 2025

CLOSE WHITTAKER, BROOKDALE
AND MELLICHAMP ELEMENTARY
SCHOOLS

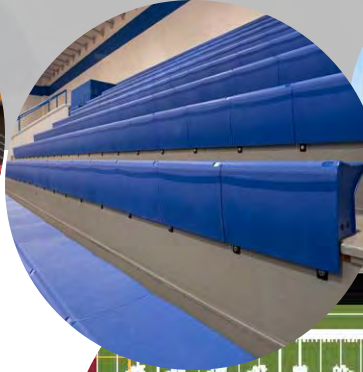
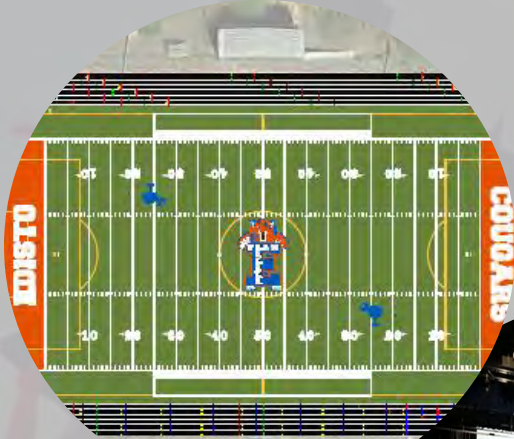
AUGUST 2025

WELCOME STUDENTS TO THE NEW
HOWARD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



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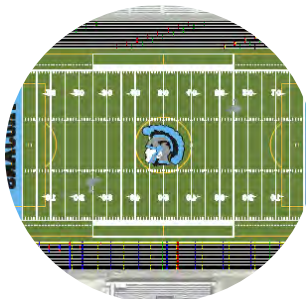
ATHLETIC, PLAYGROUND & FINE ARTS UPDATES ACROSS THE COUNTY



PROPOSED TIMELINE FOR ATHLETIC & ARTS UPGRADES

JANUARY 2023
BEGIN UPGRADES TO ARTS &
ATHLETICS COMPLEXES

AUGUST 2025
COMPLETE UPGRADES



POTENTIAL PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR REUSE OF VACATED SCHOOL FACILITIES

...PLAYGROUNDS...BASKETBALL COURTS...ATHLETIC FIELDS...GYMNASIUMS...COMMUNITY MEETING SPACES...TEACHER HOUSING...ADULT LEARNING CENTERS.



PROPOSED “HOW”

NOVEMBER 2022

**BOND REFERENDUM ON THE
GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT**

REFERENDUM

**VOTERS TO CONSIDER A
\$190 MILLION BOND WITH
NO TAX INCREASE, ALLOWING
DISTRICT TO ADVANCE FUNDS
FOR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENTS AT
CONSOLIDATED SCHOOLS**



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PROPOSED SOLUTION: ENERGY PERFORMANCE CONTRACT UPGRADES



PROPOSED TIMELINE FOR ENERGY PERFORMANCE UPGRADES

JANUARY 2022

PRESENT SCOPE OF WORK
FOR PROPOSED CONTRACT WITH
ABM FOR ENERGY PERFORMANCE

FEBRUARY 2022-AUGUST 2022

DESIGN AND PLAN UPGRADES

AUGUST 2022

CONSTRUCTION UPGRADES BEGIN

AUGUST 2025

COMPLETE ENERGY PERFORMANCE
UPGRADES





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WHY...



YOUR
INPUT



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