

Fayette County Public Schools

Lexington, Kentucky

The mission of Fayette County Public Schools is to create a collaborative community that ensures all students achieve at high levels and graduate prepared to excel in a global society.



Statement on bathrooms for Mary E. Britton Middle School.

***FCPS not eliminating gender-specific
bathroom facilities.***

August 21, 2024

As we continue to prioritize the wellbeing of our students, Fayette County Public Schools is steadfast in our commitment to creating environments that are both safe and inclusive. Building on what we've learned from past construction projects, the evolving needs of our students, and our ongoing efforts to improve how we build and renovate schools, FCPS is dedicated to ensuring our facilities meet the highest standards of security and accessibility. Our current construction projects, including Mary E. Britton Middle School, will include individual restrooms specifically designed to address privacy, security, and supervision concerns raised by our students, families, and safety experts. Unfortunately, a false narrative has circulated, so it is important to clarify that FCPS is not seeking to eliminate gender-specific bathroom facilities. Instead, we are adding options that provide a safer and more secure environment for all students, while maintaining traditional gender-separated facilities where appropriate. These changes are a proactive response to issues like vandalism, bullying, and vaping – challenges that have unfortunately increased in school bathrooms across the Commonwealth in recent years – ensuring that all students feel safe and supported within our schools.