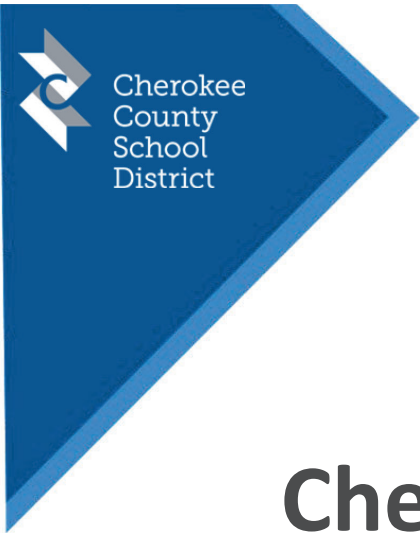




Cherokee High School Transition Planning

June 18, 2026

SUPPORTIVE ACCOUNTABILITY GOVERNANCE MODEL

Core Beliefs

1. All students are highly engaged in their education and capable of reaching their full learning potential.
2. Employees are trusted and supported as professionals and provided with resources to elevate student outcomes.
3. Families and our community are involved partners in student success and can expect all students to receive the best education possible.
4. Schools are positive and welcoming environments with clear expectations and accountability in all academic and operational areas.

Core Policies

Policy **BAB**: School Board Governance

Balanced Autonomy with Supportive Accountability

Cohesive System of Teaching & Learning

- Standards, Instructional Resources, Monitoring Learning
- Accountability & Support**
- Superintendent Evaluation, Aligned School Goals, Intentional Support

Policy **IFAD**: Literacy in CCSD

Reading, Writing, & Communicating

- Phonics, Phonemic Awareness, Decoding, Fluency, Comprehension
- Spelling, Vocabulary, Print, Cursive, Keyboarding, Conventions, Grammar
- Extended Reading & Writing, Evaluate, Synthesize, Communicate

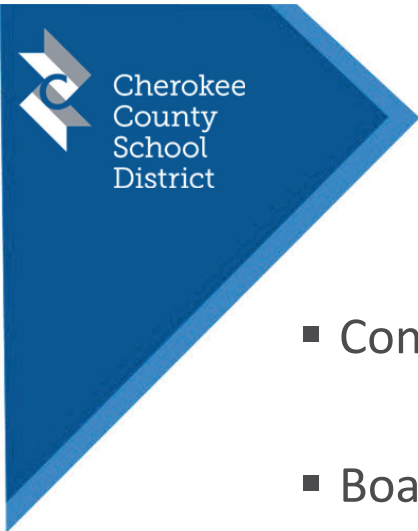
Student Achievement Goals

	READING			ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS			MATHEMATICS	
	Baseline (2024) / GOAL (2027)			Baseline (2024) / GOAL (2027)			Baseline (2024) / GOAL (2027)	
3 rd Grade	72%	→ 78%		47%	→ 53%		57%	→ 65%
4 th Grade	65%	→ 71%		47%	→ 53%		61%	→ 70%
5 th Grade	78%	→ 84%		56%	→ 62%		56%	→ 65%
6 th Grade	63%	→ 69%		48%	→ 54%		44%	→ 50%
7 th Grade	74%	→ 78%		45%	→ 54%		48%	→ 60%
8 th Grade	75%	→ 81%		48%	→ 54%		51%	→ 59%
High School	80%	→ 86%		56%	→ 62%		49%	→ 55%

Key Priorities

1. Elevate the Excellence in academics and achievement for all students
2. Elevate the Excellence in effective School Board-Superintendent Governance
3. Elevate the Excellence in the district's coordination of goals, systems, and processes
4. Elevate the Excellence by embracing a pervasive high-quality school environment defined by high standards, effective supports, and consistent practices

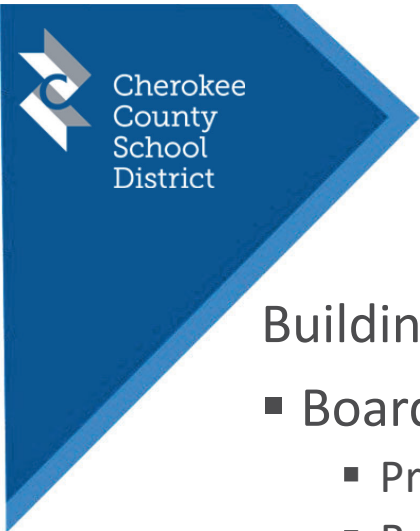
Elevate the Excellence!



Cherokee High School Replacement Construction Update

- Construction of Cherokee HS divided into site package and building package
- Board award of site package - October 2022 to NJ Wilbanks Contractor
 - Site Package Authorized Budget \$23.5M
 - Site Package Final Cost \$22.8M
 - Site package complete as scheduled



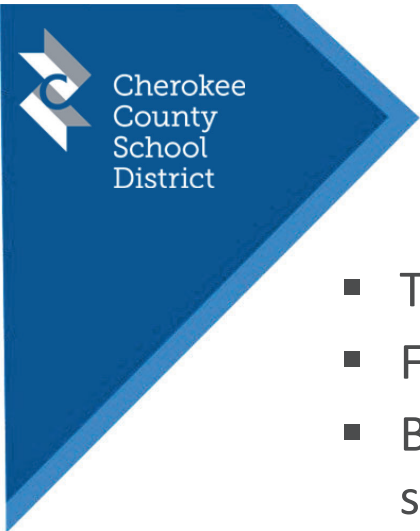


Cherokee High School Replacement Construction Update

Building Package

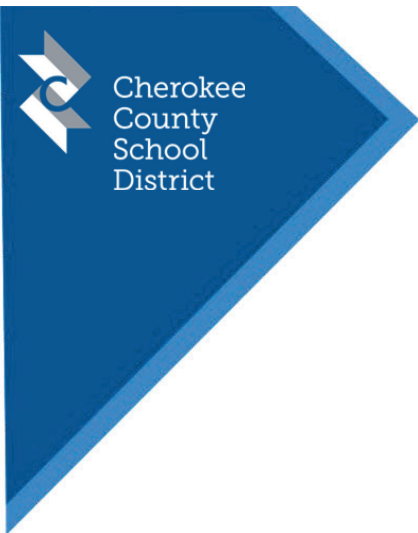
- Board award of building package – May 2023 to Carroll Daniel Construction
 - Project budget \$179,095,765 – project is currently within budget
 - Building package will be completed as scheduled
- State Capital Outlay Reimbursement
 - \$32,951,127 in total
 - \$28,383,176 received to date
 - Remaining 10% paid upon project completion – anticipated Fall 2026





Cherokee High School Replacement Construction Update

- Temporary Certificates of Occupancy (TCO) were received in March 2026
- Final CO's have been received for the entire campus
- Building package will be completed as scheduled, with occupancy by students in August
- Punch list continues
- Landscaping continues
- Technology department continues installation
- Administrative staff will begin relocation in June, with remaining staff members transferring in July
- Relocation of athletics will occur from June-July
- Current and New CHS facilities, including athletics, will be unavailable for use by outside groups and organizations beginning May 31, 2026.

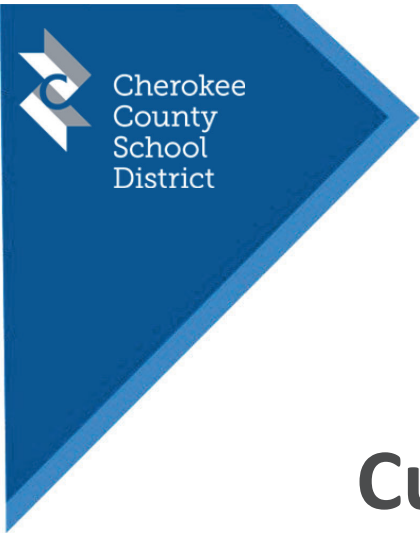


Cherokee High School Replacement Transition Timeline

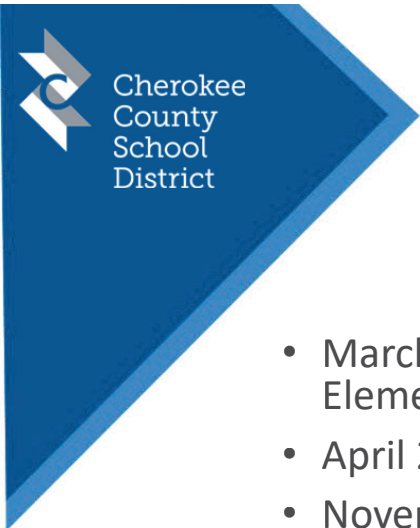
Milestone	Date
Relocate Administrative Staff	June 1– 5
Open for Parent Visitor/Office Operational	June 8
Relocate Athletics	June 1– 12
Onsite Practices/Camps	June 15
Relocate Teachers	June 8 – 26
Staff Occupancy	July 8
Student Occupancy	August 3

Relocation to CHSR





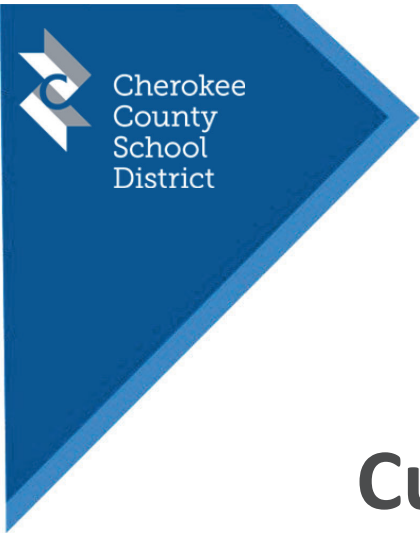
Current Cherokee High School Campus Next Steps



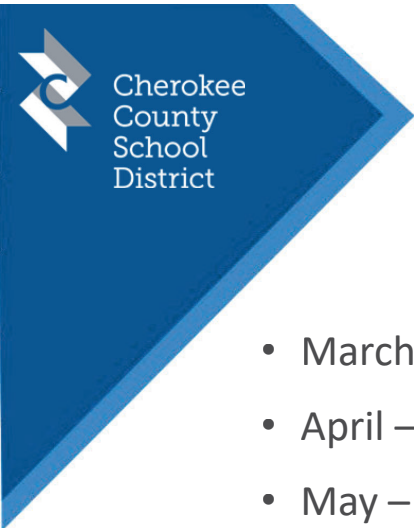
Canton Elementary School

Proposed Timeline and Scope of Work

- March 2026 – School Board unanimously Authorized a resolution to reconstitute Canton Elementary School for 2028-2029
- April 2026—Design phase began
- November 2026—Education-SPLOST referendum to include cost of renovations and modifications aligned with design.
- December 2026—School board recommendation of general contractor award; notice to proceed
- September 2027—Attendance area focus group meetings
- November 2027—Principal named
- December 2027—School board votes to establish attendance zone
- January 2028 – Employee Transfer Requests Begin
- April 2028 – Ribbon Cutting and Community Open House
- June 2028—Completion of Canton ES renovations
- July 2028 – Staff Occupancy of Canton ES
- August 2028—Student occupancy of Canton ES



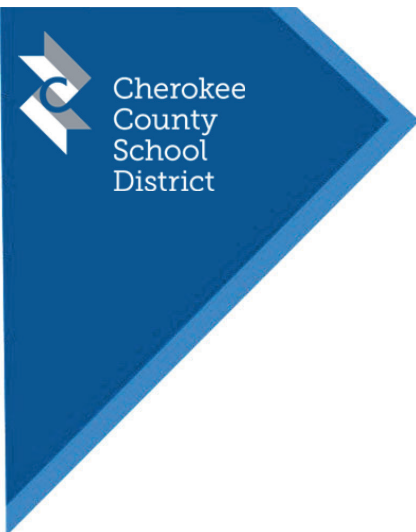
Current Cherokee High School Campus Timeline



Current Cherokee High School (Main Campus)

Proposed Surplus/Sale Timeline and Scope of Work

- March 2026 – School Board unanimously authorized a resolution to surplus CHS (Main Campus)
- April – June 2026 – Update appraisal and produce new survey
- May – July 2026 – Relocation of assets to CHS (Replacement Campus)
- August – September 2026 – Inventory of remaining assets at current CHS campus
- October 2026 – Surplus auction of assets (Round 1) on-site at current CHS for public (according to Policy DO – School Properties Disposal Procedures)
- November 2026 – Surplus auction of assets (Round 2) on-site at current CHS for public (according to Policy DO)
- January 2027 – School Board Attorney facilitates advertisement of property sale (according to Policy DO and O.C.G.A. 10-06-0085, O.C.G.A. 10-06-0088, O.C.G.A. 20-02-0520, O.C.G.A. 20-02-0600, O.C.G.A. 36-09-0002, O.C.G.A. 40-08-0110, O.C.G.A. 40-08-0116), announce deadline for sealed bids
- Spring 2027 – Proceed with sale of property



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1980
CHEROKEE ALUMNI

Once A Warrior, Always A Warrior

"We celebrate Cherokee High School's legacy and our dedication to building for our future and the continued success of our students with the construction of this new campus," Superintendent of Schools Mary Elizabeth Davis said at the topping off ceremony for the new high school. "I'm so thankful for our community's support to build a new home for our amazing Cherokee High School teachers and students for generations to come."

Celebrating Heritage

Throughout the 2025-26 school year, the Cherokee High School administration team, along with the PTA and a community group of alumni Warriors, has been diligent in marking all the "lasts" in recognition of the significance of saying goodbye to an iconic campus that touched so many lives across generations of Cherokee County residents. Members of our school board were on campus for the "last first day", handing out token "Last First Day" keychains and "Once, Always" magnets to students as they disembarked school buses or emerged from cars for what would be the school's final first bell of a traditional school year. From that moment forward, there have been milestones measured and alumni celebrated, from the last first football game of the season, to inviting all the past Homecoming Queens for the annual parade through downtown Canton, to hosting tours for alums by decade. Special events like Warrior Winterfest



School Board members at the exiting Cherokee High School on the "last first day" of school, Aug. 3, 2025.

<https://www.cherokeek12.net/divisions/support-services/once-always>

Click the link below to experience a virtual tour of the new home of CHS:
[Welcome to the New Home of CHS.mp4](#)

FAQs for Reconstitution of Canton ES and Reopening for SY2028-29

Reconstituting Canton Elementary School and Reopening for SY2028-29 Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

On December 14, 2017, the School Board approved the temporary relocation of students at Canton Elementary School (ES) to Knox ES and R.M. Moore ES, along with plans to renovate Canton ES to transition to Cherokee HS North and serve Cherokee HS students, to relieve overcrowding. With the scheduled opening of the new Cherokee HS replacement school in August 2028 and a review of current and future district needs, on March 19, 2024, the Cherokee County School Board authorized returning Cherokee HS North to Canton ES, fulfilling its 2017 commitment to the community and preparing for future student enrollment growth in the Canton area. Canton ES is now scheduled to reopen its doors to serve as an elementary school in August 2028.

Please note: This FAQ is intended to provide general public information about the District's current planning process. Dates, timelines, attendance-area recommendations, construction schedules, staffing plans, and other details may change based on funding, procurement, construction, enrollment projections, Board action, and other applicable requirements.

What is the timeline for reopening Canton ES?

Answer: The Canton ES current proposed timeline and Scope of Work are as follows:

- March 19, 2026 – School Board authorized a resolution to reconstitute Canton ES with a projected opening of August 2028
- April – June 2026 – Verifying property lines and completing site work analysis
- April 2026 – Design of Canton ES at the CHS North location begins
- November 2026 – Education SPLOST (EA-SPOST) referendum expected on county-wide ballot to include authorizing costs necessary to renovate Canton ES
- December 2026 – Following Procurement Protocol (P/CB – Facilities Bid Advertisements and Solicitations), the School Board will authorize a general contractor, as required by State and local regulations, along with the notice to proceed (P/CB – Architects involved in Long-Range Planning)
- January 2027 – Construction of Canton ES facility and campus begins while Surplus of Assets and Property of CHS Main is liquidated
- September 2027 – Scheduled Town Halls for community input regarding Attendance Area for Canton ES
- November 2027 – The School District will appoint a Principal following the standard practice for leadership appointment
- December 2027 – After determining enrollment projections and following the Attendance Area Focus Group process, the Superintendent will make a recommendation to the School Board to establish the new attendance zone (School Board policy AD-School Attendance Area)
- January 2028 – Allocations for teachers and support staff confirmed and employee transfer process opens for all positions

FAQs for the Sale and Surplus of CHS

Sale and Surplus of Cherokee High School Property Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

With the opening of the Cherokee High School Replacement Facility at 1500 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard, Canton, Georgia, anticipated in August 2026, the CCSD School Board has authorized the reconstitution of Cherokee North as Canton Elementary School and the potential sale of the current Cherokee High School main campus and adjacent athletic facilities located at 930 Marietta Highway, Canton, Georgia. Under the Board's March 19, 2024 resolution, the existing campus will be treated as surplus after the new facility is occupied, instructional operations begin there, and operations are permanently moved from the current campus. Any sale will be subject to applicable law, completion of required due diligence, and any further Board action that may be required. The sale process will be open to interested parties.

Please note: This FAQ is intended only to provide general information to the public. It is not an invitation to bid, a request for proposals, a legal notice, an offer or commitment to sell, or a statement of final sale terms. Any sale process will be governed by the formal sale documents, applicable law, and action taken by the Board.

Questions: How can I get memorabilia from the current Cherokee High School?

Answer: The District anticipates holding one or more surplus auctions for eligible items from the current Cherokee High School after items needed at the new facility have been identified and moved. Any surplus disposition will be handled in accordance with Policy DD - School Properties Disposal Procedures and any other applicable requirements. The District currently expects these public surplus opportunities to take place in Fall 2026, with possible auction dates in October and November 2026.

More information regarding dates, available items, procedures, pickup requirements, and sale terms will be announced by the District through its website and official social media platforms.

Question: What will be auctioned?

Answer: The Office of Support Services is working collaboratively with school administration to inventory all assets at the current Cherokee High School. Functional assets needed at the new facility will be transported to the new campus over the Summer. Items not needed for District use may be inventoried and identified for surplus disposition in accordance with Policy DD - School Properties Disposal Procedures. Items that may be considered for auction include ceiling tiles, benches, lockers, athletic banners, and equipment.

Not all items at the campus will be available for sale or removal.

Question: What is the timeline for placing Cherokee High School (930 Marietta Highway, Canton, GA 30114) on the market?

Answer: The District currently expects the property to be advertised for sale in or around January 2027, with a potential transaction process beginning in Spring 2027. That timing may change depending on when the new high school is occupied and in use, when operations have fully moved