

2026-31 FCPS Capital Improvements Plan (Adopted by School Board)

Suggested Priority	Project Title	Project Cost Estimate	Thoughts on Priority Order	Timeframe
1	Bass-Hoover ES Phase 2 Renovation	\$31,566,150	Was opened in 1975 and a 40-year renovation was due in 2015. The kindergarten area is in a 2014 addition. The school is overcrowded. Overcrowding places additional stress on facility infrastructure. BHES is an open concept school that lacks much needed acoustical barriers between classrooms. Walls, reprogramming, and heavy renovation is needed. Recent work- New Boilers and pumps 2025, New Chiller and pumps 2025, New Cooling Tower 2018, Interior Paint 2025. Substantial HVAC unit replacement is being requested and has been approved by both Finance committees, awaiting Board approval.	2028-2031
2	Apple Pie Ridge ES Phase 2 Renovation	\$29,700,300	Was opened in 1974 and a 40-year renovation was due in 2014. The kindergarten area was renovated in 2008. APRES is an open concept school that lacks much needed acoustical barriers between classrooms. Walls, reprogramming, and heavy renovation is needed. Recent work- Exterior doors 2025, New Boilers 2025, New Cooling Tower, tower pumps and heat exchanger in 2021, New Fire Alarm 2024, New Domestic Water heater 2025, Plumbing Fixtures 2025, Interior Paint 2022, Parking Lot Overlay 2022, New Roof 2025, New BAS controls 2024 (Siemens Desigo Platform). Current HVAC pipe loop, pump, heat exchanger, and tower may not be sized for expansion.	2028-2031
3	Fifth Middle School	\$94,985,100	We project that the middle schools will be over capacity by 165 students in 2029, over capacity by 289 students in 2035, and that the 5th MS will be needed within that span of time. Land may be needed for this project. With the new stormwater management regulations, a 45+ acre site is needed. We are exploring the possibility of locating the 5th MS on the Millbrook HS site. If not the MHS site, the land should be located in the northeast part of the county. If new land is purchased, costs will include a new site, structure, athletic fields, etc.	2028-2031
4	NREP at Senseny Road School Renovation	\$28,741,650	Was opened in 1966 and a 40-year renovation was due in 2006. Has never had a full renovation, but has had a partial renovation and various upgrades. Facility modernization and adaptation is the driving need for renovating this facility, which was originally constructed as an elementary school. Reprogramming and heavy renovation needed.	2031-2034
5	Dowell J Howard Center Renovation and Expansion	\$55,697,250	Was opened in 1970 and a 40-year renovation was due in 2010. Has never had a full renovation, but has had a partial renovation and various upgrades. Reprogramming, heavy renovation, potential addition.	2031-2034
6	Middletown ES Renovation	\$22,101,350	Was opened in 1989 and a 40-year renovation will be due in 2029. The school is overcrowded. Overcrowding places additional stress on facility infrastructure. Light renovation.	2031-2034
7	Thirteenth Elementary School	\$46,102,350	We project that the elementary schools, including the additions at JSES and MES, will be at 95% of capacity in 10 years. Land is needed for this project. With the new stormwater management regulations, a 25+ acre site is needed. If other facilities are to be colocated on this site, a larger site is needed. The land should be located near population centers in either the southeast or the east central part of the county.	2034-2037
8	Armel ES Renovation	\$26,010,600	Was opened in 1991 and a 40-year renovation will be due in 2031. Has never been renovated. Light renovation.	2034-2037
9	Early Childhood Center	\$27,319,950	This facility would contain ECSE, which is currently at NREP, and PK, which currently occupies classrooms that could be used for other purposes in four of our elementary schools. As of October 31, 2025, our ECSE population is 110 and our PK population is 71.	2034-2037
10	Sherando HS Renovation/Sherando HS Expansion	\$150,639,300	Was opened in 1993 and a 40-year renovation will be due in 2033. The school is significantly overcrowded. Overcrowding places additional stress on facility infrastructure. We project that the high schools, including the 4th HS and the additions at JWHS, will be at 91% of capacity in 10 years, and that this expansion will be needed a few years after that.	2034-2038
11	Millbrook HS Expansion	\$22,446,900 \$16,675,050	We project that the high schools, including the 4th HS and the additions at JWHS, will be at 91% of capacity in 10 years, and that this expansion will be needed a few years after that. This project does not include renovation of the existing building.	2034-2037
12	Facilities Services Renovation	\$6,562,500	Was opened in 1987 and a 40-year renovation will be due in 2027. Has never been renovated, but a records retention area was constructed recently. This is a smaller project that could be done in conjunction with another project.	2034-2037
13	Support Facilities West/Bright Futures Renovation	\$1,981,350	Was opened in 1971 and a 40-year renovation was due in 2010. Has never been renovated. This is a smaller project that could be done in conjunction with another project.	2034-2036
14	School Board Office Building	\$24,943,800	Was opened in 1961 and a 40-year renovation was due in 2001. Has never had a full renovation, but has had partial renovations and various upgrades.	2035-2037