

**Update on Planned Projects
FY 2008 and FY 2009
Capital Projects Funds**

South Salem Elementary School – New Construction Work Continues

The school is on schedule to open the 08-09 school year. The substantial completion date is May 15, 2008. We are in the process of making sure the school is equipped, furnished, and ready to receive staff and students.

Liberty Middle School – New Construction Work Continues

Construction will continue through the Summer 2008. The school is scheduled to open the 2009-2010 and we anticipate that the contractor will meet the substantial completion date of March 1, 2009.

New ES #14 Kirkland Road – New Construction Begins

The advertisement to receive bids on the construction of new elementary school #14 that will be located on Kirkland Road has been posted on the website and at the Board of Education Administrative Offices Building. Sealed bids are scheduled to be opened on April 8, 2008. This school is the same basic design as South Salem and will be initially constructed to house 1000 PK-5 students when it opens the 2009-2010 school year.

Alcovy High School – Classroom Addition Construction Begins

There are two phases to the classroom addition at Alcovy High School. Phase I, which is the site work, will be completed this Summer 2008. Phase II will begin Fall 2008.

Phase I - In order to have the site ready for the construction contractor when it is issued, we will move forward this spring with issuing the bids for the site work preparation so that it can be done this summer and not interfere with the school operations.

Phase II - Mr. John Ramage, the State Department of Education Facilities Consultant assigned to Newton County, is preparing the Capital Outlay application that will reflect the amount of state funds that have been earned towards the construction contract of the 50-classroom addition. We anticipate having that application for Board approval no later than August 2008. Once the Board has approved the application, the architect will be ready to advertise to receive bids. This construction is scheduled to begin early Fall 2008. The scheduled opening of this addition is the 2010-2011 school year.

Alcovy High School – Rubberized Track Surface Installed

The plan is to bid out the installation of a rubberized track surface for the Alcovy High School track. Because of funding, the track was not completed at the time of initial construction.

Sharp Stadium - Improvements Begin

The work on the Stadium is planned in two phases. Phase I is scheduled for Summer 2008 and Phase II is scheduled for Spring/Summer 2009.

Phase I - The first phase consists of incorporating new aisle steps and railings to the home stands. We anticipate bidding this work for an April 2008 bid opening.

Phase II – The second phases consists of the construction of a new field house and visitor bleachers. Mr. Wood, Construction Manager, is working with the architect, along with the high school coaches and administrators, in planning this project. The anticipated bid date is Spring 2009.

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East Newton and Heard Mixon Schools - Canopies Installed

East Newton and Heard Mixon are our only two elementary schools without canopies where parent pick up is located. Plans and specifications are being prepared for parent pick-up canopies at these two schools. We anticipate advertising this work to receive bids April 2008 for construction Summer 2008.

Porterdale Elementary School - Window Reconstruction Continues

Spring 2007 the Board approved Enterprise Construction's bid of \$2600 per window to reconstruct the windows at Porterdale Elementary School. At that time available funds allowed for reconstruction of 25 of the 50 windows. Summer 2008 we will move forward with construction of the other 25 windows at the same price.

Sharp Alternative School – “C” Wing Roof Replaced – Windows Replaced Sharp Gym

The portion of Sharp roof known as the “C wing” needs replacing; this is the section from the media center to the interior gym entrance. The roof has reached a point that repairs are no longer feasible. The roof needs to be removed and replaced. Plans are to receive bids for this project in April 2008 for construction Summer 2008. The roofing consultant is reviewing the roof over the gym area and any needed repairs will be made. Receive bids for window replacements at Sharp Gym.

Newton High School – Needed Improvements Made

The work at Newton High School will be in two phases.

Phase I – Summer 2008 - Consists of the following:

- Administration Area: New carpet/tile and paint, new ceiling tile and replacement of obsolete light fixtures
- Commons: Painting, door and hardware modifications, new ceiling tile and replacement of obsolete light fixtures.
- Gym/commons: New ceilings, replacement of obsolete light fixtures and installation of handicap grab bars in restrooms; new railings to meet code
- Gym and stair wells: Remove main gym ceiling, clean and paint structure; paint gym, install new railings to meet code, including stair wells; replace obsolete lighting and install new ceiling tile where ceiling remains; install new treads on all interior stairs
- Band and Choral: Replace ceilings and obsolete lighting; paint; replace carpet in choral area and repair choral riser
- 9th grade wing: replace hallway floor covering
- Science wing: replace floor covering
- Media center; replace floor covering

Phase II – 2009 – Consists of the following:

- Kitchen improvements
- Painting in selected areas
- Replace remaining ceilings and obsolete lighting
- Rewiring as needed to meet technology updates

Three Elementary Schools – Obsolete Lighting Replaced

Update obsolete lighting as required at three elementary schools during Summer 08.

Eastside High School – Preliminary Plans for Additional Band Space Discussed

Mr. Don Wood is working with the band director, school principal and the architect on possible options for increasing band space. This project is scheduled to start in time to be completed no later than the start of the 2010-2011 school year.