

# St. Johns County School District Half-Cent Sales Tax Annual Report

School Board Meeting  
January 16, 2024



# Half-Cent Sales Tax: Annual Report

- Resolution # 2015-30:
  - The School Board asked St. Johns County voters to approve a Half-Cent Sales Tax for critical capital infrastructure
  - Called for the formation of a Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) to advise and monitor the expenditure of the sales tax proceeds
  - Required an annual report of the CAC every January
- On November 3, 2015, the voters approved the Half-Cent Sales Tax
- Collections began on January 1, 2016

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- Half-Cent Sales Tax allows Capital Expenditure for
  - New Construction
  - Reconstruction
  - Improvement of School Facilities
    - Safety & Security Improvements
    - Technology Upgrades



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**Chairman: Jack Hardman**  
**Vice Chairman: Jason Lewis**  
**Secretary: SJCS D Staff**

<b>District 1</b>	<b>Remaining Term</b>
Norvie Veracruz	2 Years
Terrance Mahoney	2 Years
Jason Lewis	3 Years
Alternate: Derek Barrs	

<b>District 2</b>	<b>Remaining Term</b>
Barbara Little	2 Years
Amy Lasswell	3 Years
John Lasswell	3 Years
Alternate: Heather Barnes	

<b>District 3</b>	<b>Remaining Term</b>
Edward Albanesi	3 Years
Kim McManus	2 Years
Vacant - TBD	2 Years
Alternate: Bill McCormick	

<b>District 4</b>	<b>Remaining Term</b>
Jack Hardman	2 Years
Damian Cook	2 Years
Richa Jeetah	3 Years
Alternate: Javelyn Arvay	

<b>District 5</b>	<b>Remaining Term</b>
Jen Stevenson	3 Years
Michelle Dillon	2 Years
Elena Laguardia	2 Years
Alternate: Virginia Morgan	



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## Critically Needed Project List

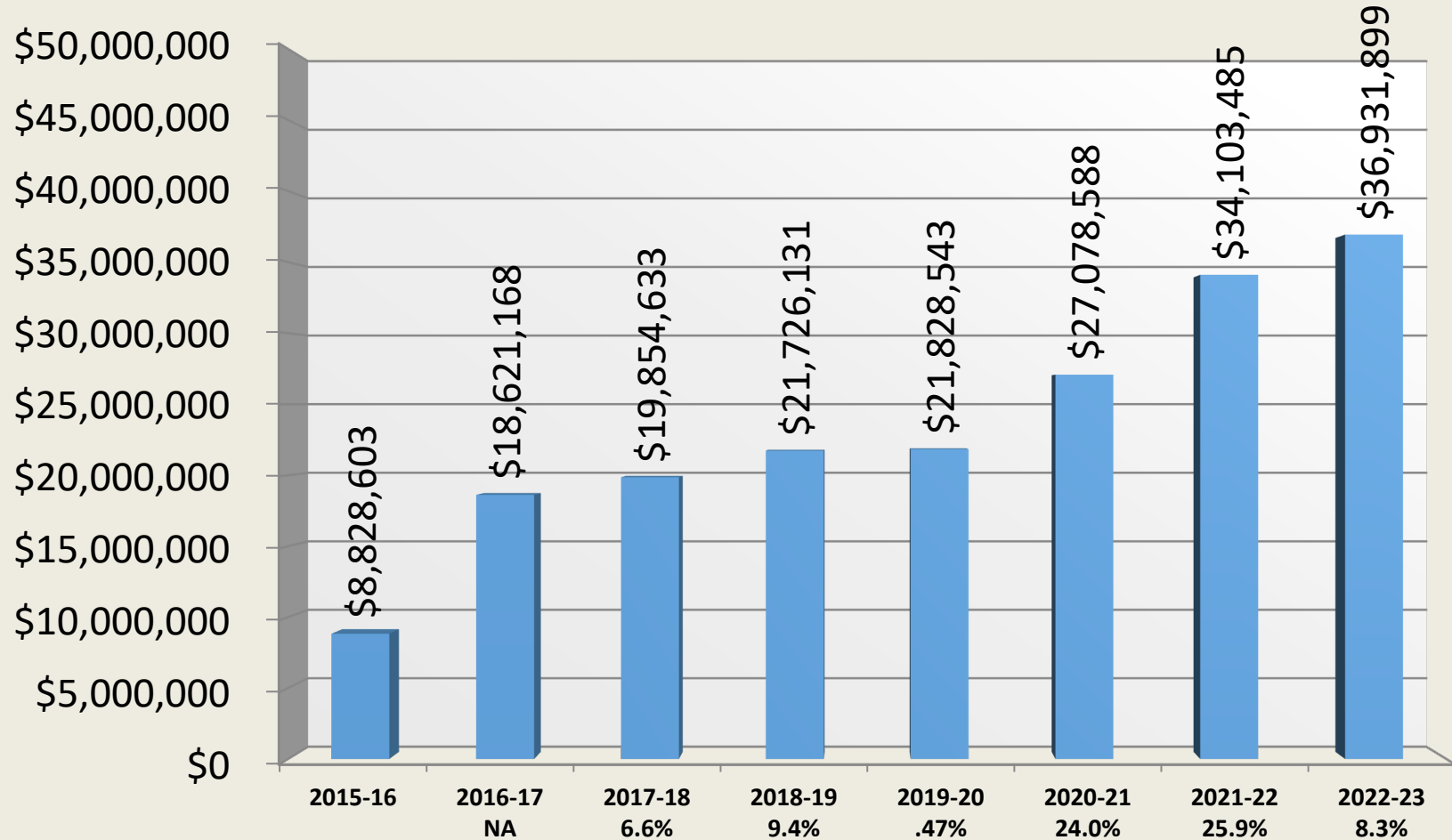


<b>Meet the Needs of an Increasing Student Population</b>	<b>\$106,000,000</b>
<b>Maintain High Quality Educational Facilities</b>	<b>\$ 14,000,000</b>
<b>Provide New Technology to Prepare Children for 21st Century Learning</b>	<b>\$ 25,000,000</b>
<b>Continue to Keep our Children Safe</b>	<b>\$ 5,000,000</b>
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	<b>\$150,000,000</b>

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- Half-Cent Sales Tax projected revenue
  - \$150,000,000 over 10 years
  - \$13,000,000 per year
- In February 2016, SJCSD bonded \$50,000,000 with an interest rate of 1.72% for construction of
  - Picolata Crossing Elementary (Elementary M)
  - Freedom Crossing Academy (K-8 School LL)

# St. Johns County School District Annual Half-Cent Sales Tax Revenue



Total revenue received @ June 30, 2023, equals \$188,973,051

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## Projects Completed as of June 2024

Meet the Needs of an Increasing Student Population

### *New Schools*

- K-8 School LL – Freedom Crossing Academy
- Elementary M - Picolata Crossing Elementary
- K-8 School KK – Palm Valley Academy (portion)
- K-8 School MM – Pine Island Academy (portion)





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K-8 School LL

Freedom  
Crossing  
Academy



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Elementary M

Picolata  
Crossing  
Elementary





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K-8 School  
KK

Palm Valley  
Academy

(Partial Funding)



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K-8 School  
MM

Pine Island  
Academy

(Partial Funding)





# K-8 School MM -- Pine Island Academy



Classroom



Classroom



# K-8 School MM -- Pine Island Academy



Media Center



Gymnasium



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## Projects Completed as of June 2024

Meet the Needs of an Increasing Student Population

### *School Expansions*

- Liberty Pines Academy Classroom Expansion
- Liberty Pines Dining Expansion
- Liberty Pines Academy Chiller Upgrades







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# Liberty Pines Academy Classroom & Dining Expansion



# Liberty Pines Academy Dining Expansion





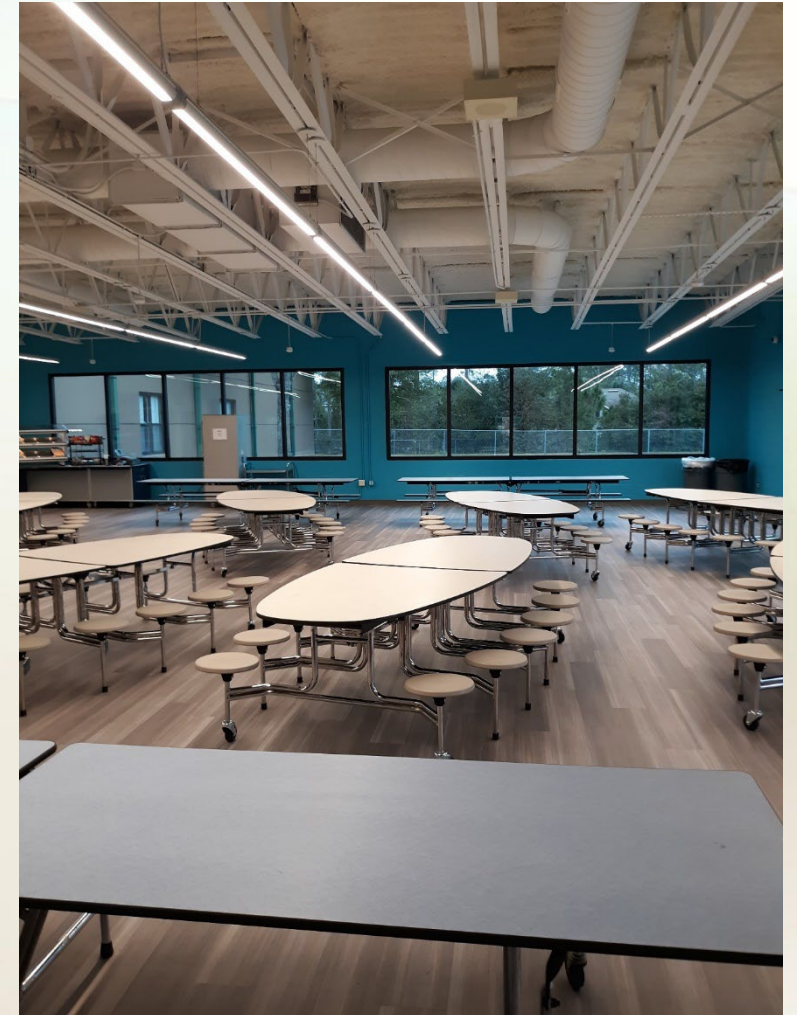
# Liberty Pines Academy Dining Expansion





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## Switzerland Point Middle School Dining Expansion



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## Patriot Oaks Academy Dining Expansion





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## Future Projects

Meet the Needs of an Increasing Student Population

### *New Schools*

- Elementary N: South St. Johns County

### *School Expansion*

- South Woods Elementary School





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Future  
Elementary  
School N



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Future  
South  
Woods  
Elementary  
School  
Expansion



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**Projects Completed as of June 2024**  
**Maintain High Quality Educational Facilities**

## ***Roof Replacements at 13 Schools***

- W. D. Hartley Elementary School
- Ketterlinus Elementary School
- Mill Creek Academy
- PVPV/Rawlings Elementary
- Marjorie K. Rawlings Elementary
- Gamble Rogers Middle School
- Switzerland Point Middle School
- Sebastian Middle School
- Osceola Elementary School
- Alice B. Landrum Middle School
- Pedro Menendez High School (Partial)
- Bartram Trail High School (Partial)
- Ocean Palms Elementary School



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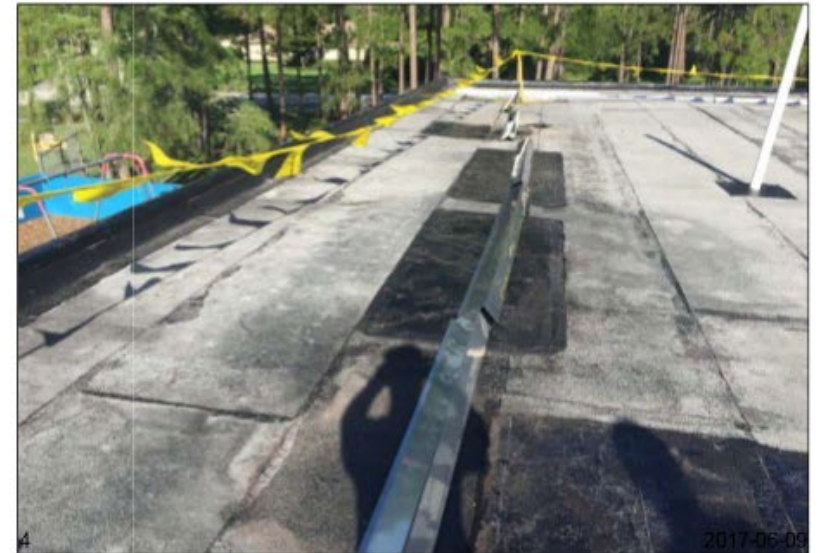
## W.D. Hartley Elementary School

### Roof Replacement

**BEFORE**



## Hartley Elementary School



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## W.D. Hartley Elementary School

### Roof Replacement

**AFTER**

**\$355,000**

### SJCSD/Hartley Elementary School





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## Ketterlinus Elementary School

### Roof Replacement

**BEFORE**

#### SJCSD/Ketterlinus Elementary School



16065.00



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## Ketterlinus Elementary School

### Roof Replacement

**AFTER**

**\$174,000**

## SJCSD/Ketterlinus Elementary School



1

2017-08-21



2

2017-08-21



3

2017-08-21



4

2017-08-21



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**Mill Creek Academy**

**Phase 1 Roof  
Replacement**

**AFTER**

**\$262,000**



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PVPV/Rawlings  
Elementary

School

Phase 2 Roof  
Replacement

AFTER

**\$850,000**





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Marjorie K. Rawlings

Elementary School

Phase 2 Roof  
Replacement

AFTER

**\$1.550,000**



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**Gamble Rogers  
Middle School**

**Phase 1 Roof  
Replacement**

**AFTER**

**\$1,670,000**





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Gamble Rogers  
Middle School

Phase 2 Roof  
Replacement

**AFTER**



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Switzerland Point

Middle School

Phase 1 Roof Replacement

**AFTER**

**\$583,000**





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Sebastian  
Middle School  
Phase 1 Roof  
Replacement

AFTER

**\$1,880,000**



# Sebastian Middle School

## Phase 2 Roof Replacement



**BEFORE**



# Sebastian Middle School

## Phase 2 Roof Replacement



**AFTER**

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Osceola  
Elementary School

Phase 1 Roof  
Replacement

AFTER

**\$1,780,000**





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## Osceola Elementary School

Phase 2 Roof  
Replacement

**AFTER**



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**Alice B. Landrum  
Middle School**

**Phase 1 Roof  
Replacement**

**AFTER**

**\$918,000**





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**Pedro Menendez  
High School**

**Building 400 Roof  
Replacement**

**AFTER**

**\$677,000**





# Pedro Menendez High School

## Building 400 Roof Replacement



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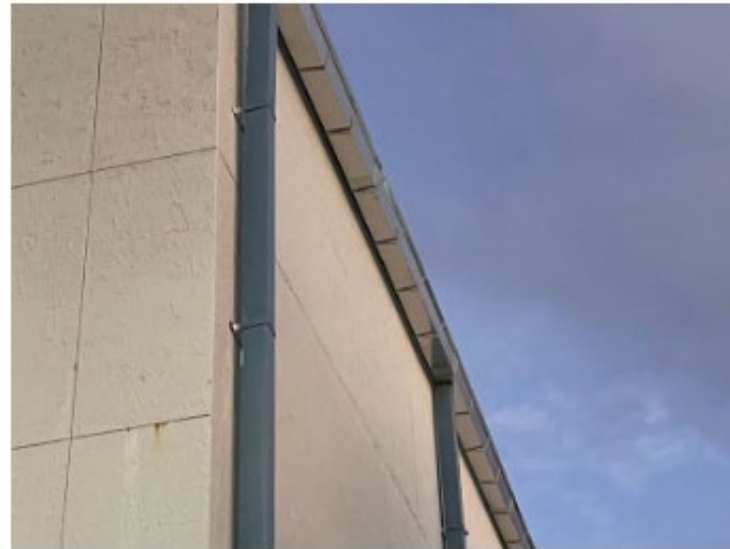
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**AFTER**



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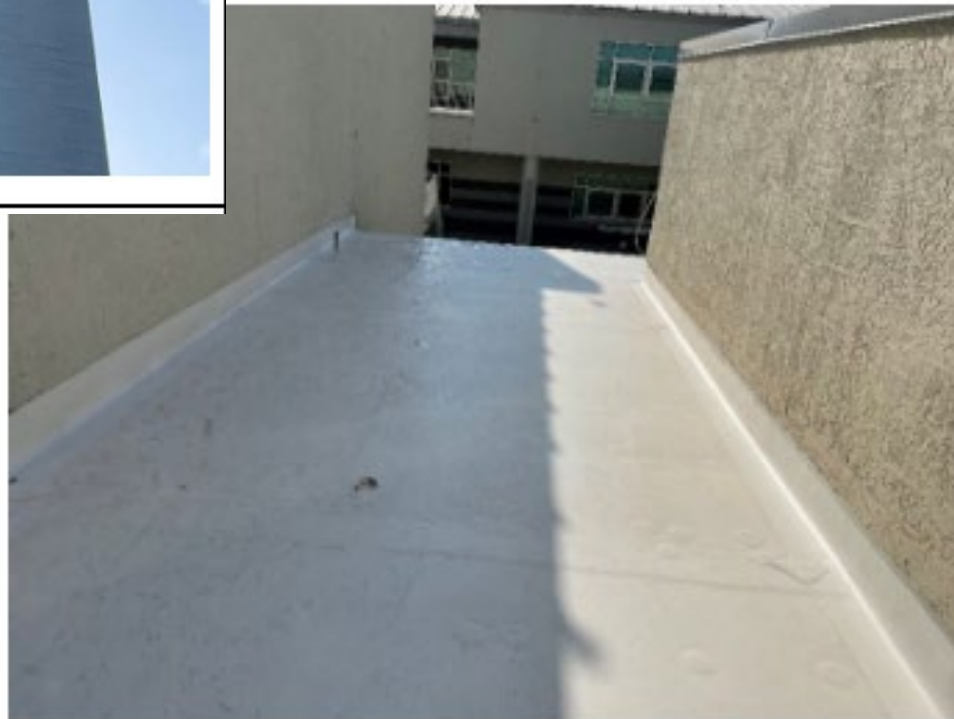
**Pedro Menendez  
High School**

**Building 200 Roof  
Replacement**

**AFTER**



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**Bartram Trail High School**

**Building 200 and 400  
Roof Replacement**

**AFTER**

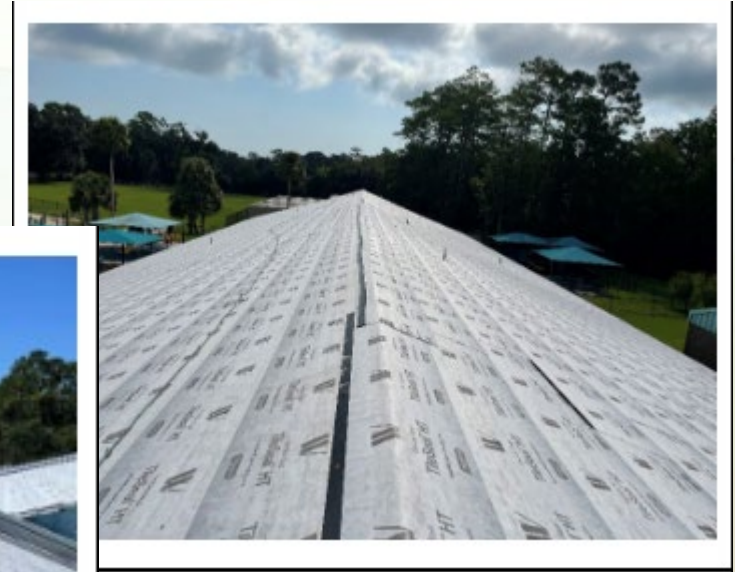
**\$960,000**





# Ocean Palms Elementary School

## Phase 1 Roof Replacement



**AFTER**



**\$650,000**

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**Projects Completed as of June 2024**  
**Maintain High Quality Educational Facilities**

## ***Other Facility/Site Improvements***

- RB Hunt Elementary Covered PE Area
- RJ Murray Middle School Site Improvements
- St. Augustine High School Aerospace Academy





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R.B. Hunt  
Elementary School  
Covered PE Area





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R.B. Hunt  
Elementary School  
Covered PE Area





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## ***Other Facility/Site Improvements***

### **RJ Murray Middle School Site Improvements**

**AFTER**



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**Projects Completed as of June 2024**

**Provide New Technology to Prepare Children for 21st Century Learning**

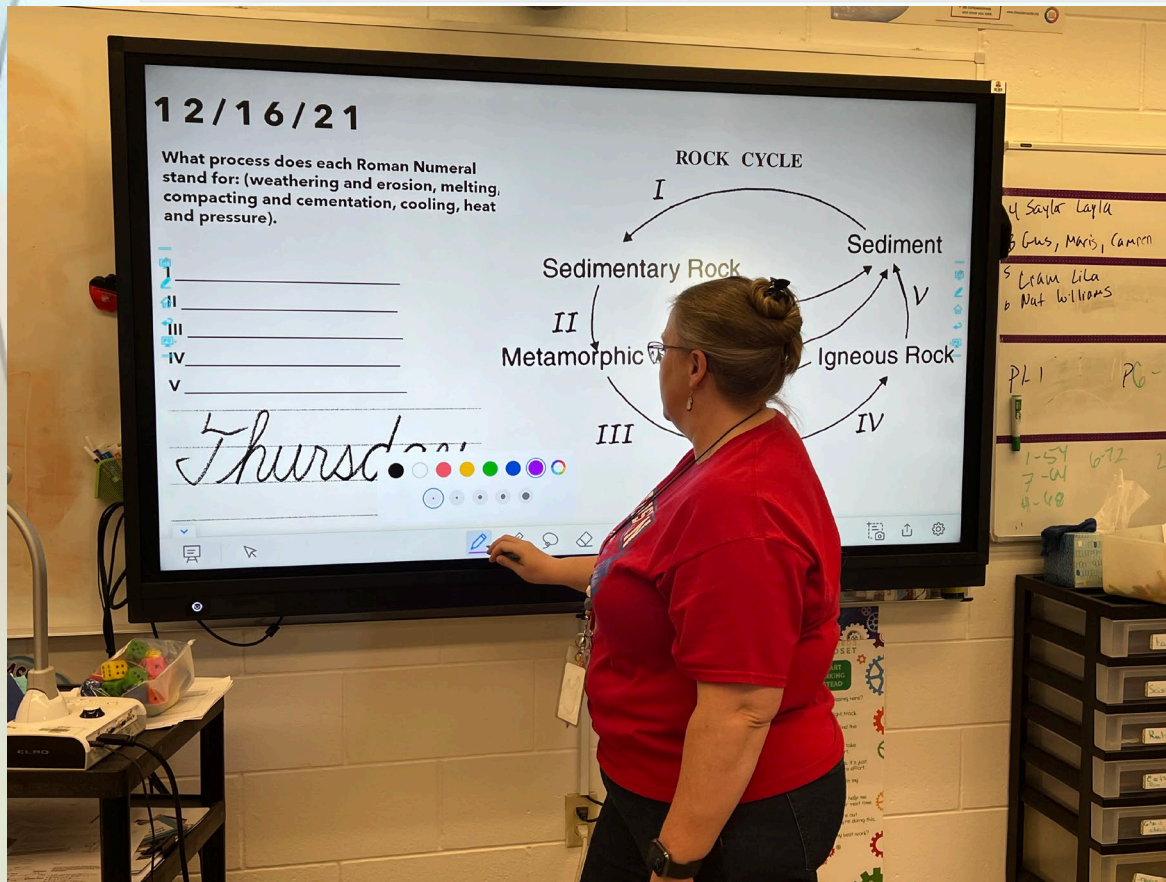
- Student Computers **8,604**
- Teacher Refresh Computers **3,250**



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**Projects Completed as of June 2024**

**Provide New Technology to Prepare Children for 21st Century Learning**



- Districtwide LED Panels

**1,420**

- Classroom technology tools:

- **\$557,548** Classroom Sound Reinforcement Upgrades (spent so far)

- **452** Screen Beams





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**Projects Completed as of June 2024**

**Provide New Technology to Prepare Children for 21st Century Learning**



- WiFi for Elementary Schools **\$1.4M**
- Network Switching **\$1.8M**

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**Projects Completed as of June 2024**

**Provide New Technology to Prepare Children for 21st Century Learning**

- Infrastructure improvements
- Wireless Access Points Upgrades
- Uninterrupted Power Supply Replacement
- Wireless School Bus Video Management & Diagnostics
- Bus Planner Routing Software



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**CENTEGIX™**

EVERY. SECOND. MATTERS.





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## Sales Tax used for Security

- **Centegix: Mobile Panic Alarm Badges**
  - Per Alyssa's Law (SB 70), all public schools, including charters, were required to be outfitted with mobile panic alert systems.
  - The system will enable all school staff to silently and easily contact law enforcement to respond in the case of an on-campus threat or crisis.



“One Button Activation.

A wearable badge with a single button enables confident human action.”

**\$935,000 Spent to Date**

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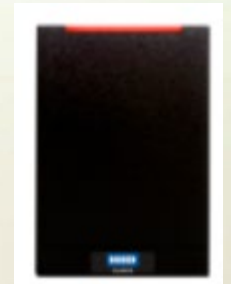
**Continue to Keep our Children Safe**



- Single Point of Entry Improvements
- School Entry System (Buzzer & Camera)
- Upgrade Intercom Systems
- Fencing & Electronic Gate Access Controls
- Security doors and entrances
- Security cameras and monitoring systems



**Industry leading security cameras**



**Encrypted door access**



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St. Augustine High School

Single Point of Entry Improvements

AFTER



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South Woods Elementary  
School

Single Point of Entry  
Improvements

AFTER





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## Pedro Menendez High School

### Single Point of Entry Improvements



BEFORE



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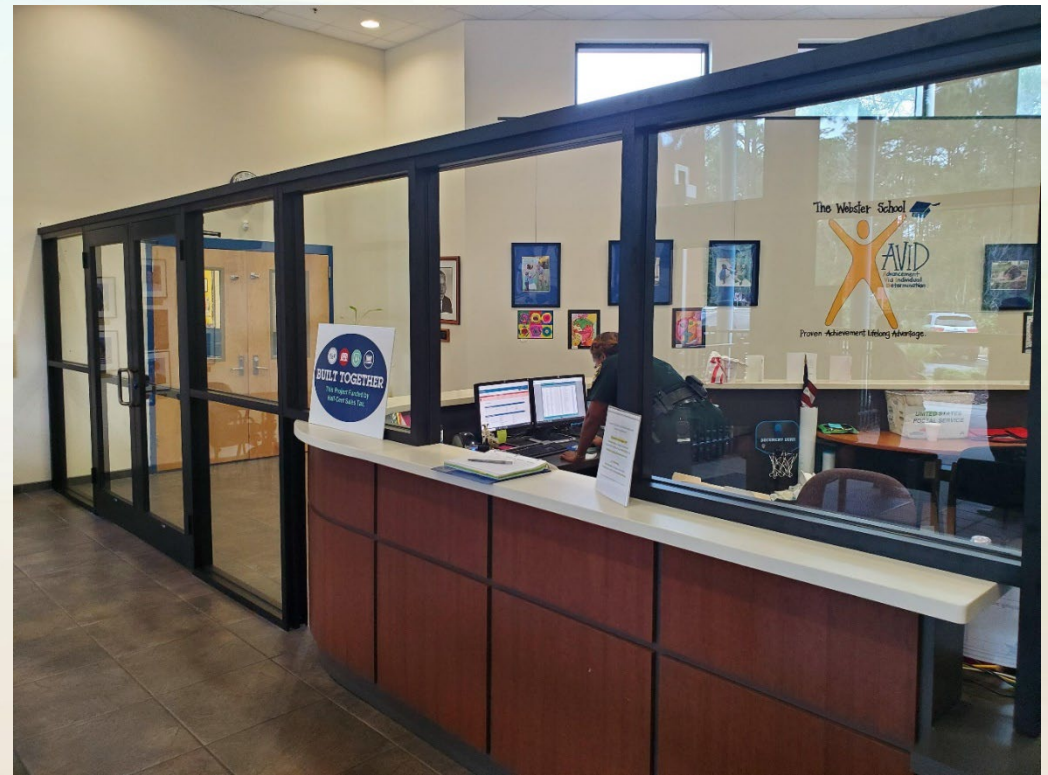


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## James A. Webster Elementary School Single Point of Entry Improvements



**BEFORE**



**AFTER**



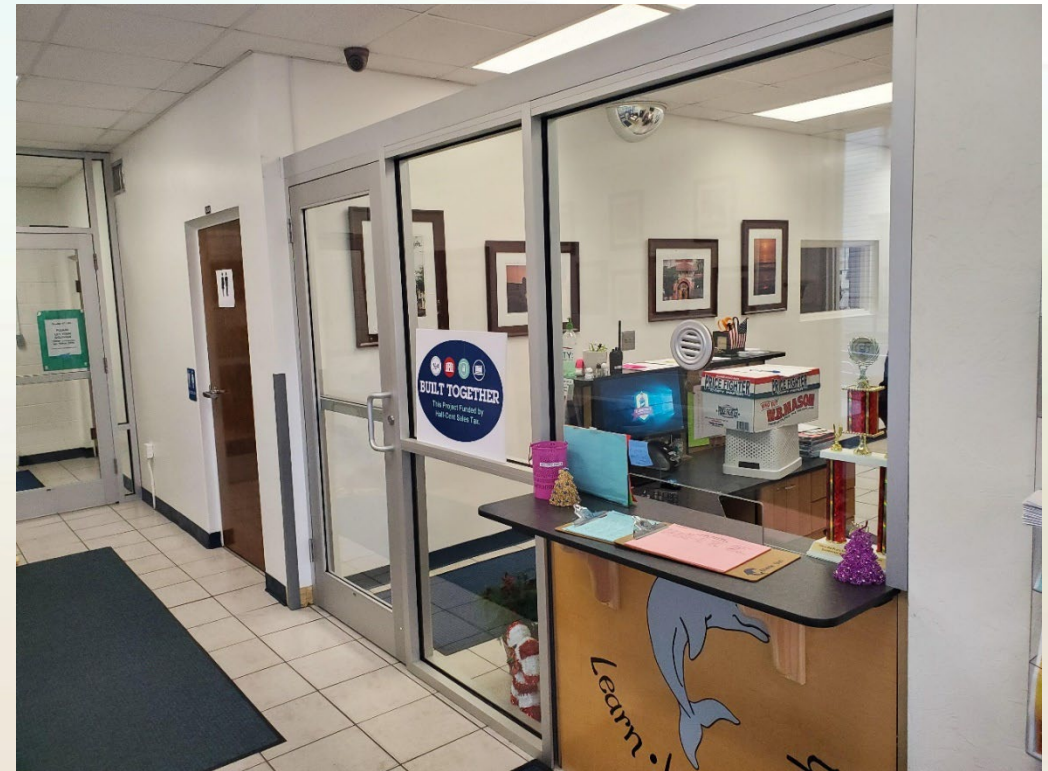
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## Ketterlinus Elementary School

### Single Point of Entry Improvements



**BEFORE**



**AFTER**



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## Pacetti Bay Middle School



BEFORE



AFTER





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## Liberty Pines Academy



BEFORE



AFTER





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Allen D. Nease High  
School

Single Point of Entry  
Improvements

AFTER





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Bartram Trail  
High School  
Single Point of  
Entry  
Improvements

AFTER



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Alice B.  
Landrum  
Middle School  
Single Point of  
Entry  
Improvements

AFTER



AFTER





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## Durbin Creek Elementary School Single Point of Entry Improvements



**BEFORE**



**AFTER**

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## PVPV/Rawlings Elementary School



**AFTER**



**AFTER**



**AFTER**



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**Patriot Oaks  
Academy**

**Single Point of  
Entry  
Improvements**

**AFTER**

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**Projects Completed as of June 2024**

**Continue to Keep our Children Safe**

- 800 MHz radios for school buses
- Motorola Radio Enhancement System for School Buses
- Zonar School Bus GPS Technology
- Camera Upgrades on School Buses
- School Bus LED Light Retrofit







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## Critically Needed Project List      Budgeted to Date (as of 6.30.2024)

Meet the Needs of an Increasing Student Population	\$106,000,000	\$ 98,681,858
Maintain High Quality Educational Facilities	\$ 14,000,000	\$ 19,003,189
Provide New Technology to Prepare Children for 21st Century Learning	\$ 25,000,000	\$ 27,951,238
Continue to Keep our Children Safe	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 13,459,942

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**\$150,000,000                      \$159,096,227**

Debt Service		\$ 44,021,483
Savings for Future Construction/Future Debt Service		\$ 60,881,011

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**TOTAL** **\$263,998,721**



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