

Questions & Comments from Region 5 CMP Town Hall 08/19/2021



Question or Comment	In-Chat Response	Post-Meeting Response
What is the typical span for an HVAC replacement project, from the time it is approved until the time the HVAC system is installed and working well?		Because of the 5-year funding cycle of E-SPLOST, projects are often approved and funded years in advance of when they will begin or be completed. Most E-SPLOST V projects were initially approved in March 2017, with several more being added in February 2020.
How many SPLOST V projects will be left after 2023? https://www.dekalbschoolsga.org/e-splost/status-reports-audits/		The District is planning to have all SPLOST V projects completed within the next 2-3 years.
Can you share thoughts on the relative priorities of new Athletic projects and repairing pothole-filled parking lots? Pothole question is relevant now, with E-SPLOST-V, independent of CMP.		E-SPLOST V has projects that address some athletic facilities and projects that address some parking lots. The prioritization of facility improvements being developed as part of the CMP will be applied to all future facility improvement funding sources.
How does a school qualify to get on the project list if it is having roof and plumbing issues? www.dekalbschoolsga.org/comprehensive-master-plan		Immediate issues will be addressed by Facilities Maintenance. Major building system replacement such as replacing a roof will be prioritized based on the condition score of each major building system. The project list for future facility improvement funding will be based on the prioritization of facility improvements developed as part of the CMP.
E. L. Bouie Theme School isn't included in the Region 5 forecast. Oakcliff Theme school isn't in the Region 1 forecast.		The current forecast documentation will be clarified to make clear how non-neighborhood schools were treated separately in the forecast analysis from school with attendance areas. The CMP Team will be reviewing the assessment data page of the CMP website and will update all information as needed including the inventory of special programs and the demographic/forecast study.
The answer to the restroom fixture question didn't seem to address why we would upgrade newer schools over our older schools. Can we go back to that?		The prioritization of facility improvements in the CMP will be based on the condition of individual building systems with consideration to the needs of each whole facility and will comprehensively prioritize all facility condition improvements. The prioritization of existing E-SPLOST V projects such as the plumbing fixture replacement project (which included Oakview) included other factors in addition to condition scores and did not comprehensively prioritize all facility condition improvements to maintain clear prioritization.
FCA and ESA meetings with PACs were held. Many PACs sent in written feedback but never were able to discuss their concerns.		The District will be sending out letters to all PAC group interested in scheduling a meeting the CMP Team. These meetings will be held in conjunction with the September Town Hall meetings.
The Regional Forecasts have individual forecasts for schools, but Theme Schools do not have a separate forecast in the document for each region.		The current forecast documentation will be clarified to make clear how non-neighborhood schools were treated separately in the forecast analysis from school with attendance areas. The CMP Team will be reviewing the assessment data page of the CMP website and will update all information as needed including the inventory of special programs and the demographic/forecast study.
What role does the Board of Education play in setting priorities for new E-SPLOST-V projects? What role will the Board of Education play in setting priorities for CMP options? Is their role merely to vote on specific Administration proposals, or do they have input as those proposals are being developed?		Fundamentally All E-SPLOST V projects and funding must be approved by the Board. The CMP Team will be engaging with the Board throughout the CMP process including on the prioritization of facility improvements and the development of the E-SPLOST VI project list.
How many CACs are active now? Maybe just for the new Dunwoody/Chamblee ES?		The only active is CAC for the new Dunwoody/Chamblee ES
Has Woodridge Elementary ever been evaluated/considered for a roof replacement?		Woodridge ES received a roof replacement in 2011 under E-SPLOST 3.
How can we move forward when the ESAs and FCAs have not been validated?		The rubric for the ESA's and FCA's and the revised reports will be recalibrated and updated on the CMP website in the coming weeks. It is our goal to have these fully updated before the September Town Hall meetings.
How can we trust you with splost 6? Splost 4 projects are still going on and most of splost 5 hasn't even started yet.		It is important to remember that the construction period of each E-SPLOST program (E-SPLOST IV, E-SPLOST V, etc.) extends beyond the five-year revenue collection window. E-SPLOST IV projects will be complete in the coming months and it is our goal to complete all E-SPLOST 5 Projects in the next 2-3 years. The District will continue to build trust in the community as we move towards SPLOST VI. Please plan to attend the September Town Hall meetings for information on recommendations. The monthly Capital Improvement Program available online for review which can address questions regarding projects and status of SPLOST IV and V. https://www.dekalbschoolsga.org/e-splost/status-reports-audits/
The FAQs state "region/cluster groups will meet to review FCA/ESA scorecards." When will those meetings be held?		This function has been filled by receiving feedback from individual schools PACs, which we will continue to do throughout the rest of the CMP process. The FAQ will be revised to reflect this.
Can you provide a visual of what the vestibules will look like at Bob Mathis, Rainbow and Woodridge?		The conceptual drawings of the vestibules in the facility will be provided to the Principal during the Design phase of the project.
Why do new schools go years with HVAC systems that were not installed correctly? Why can't those be fixed?		DCSD is working diligently with contractors to address our roofs, and other items under warranty including parts of recently installed HVAC systems.
Why did 20-25 year old schools get new bathroom fixtures when there are 50-60 year old schools that still have original bathroom fixtures?		The prioritization of facility improvements in the CMP will be based on the condition of individual building systems with consideration to the needs of each whole facility and will comprehensively prioritize all facility condition improvements. The prioritization of existing E-SPLOST V projects such as the plumbing fixture replacement project (which included Oakview) included other factors in addition to condition scores and did not comprehensively prioritize all facility condition improvements to maintain clear prioritization.
In 2016, one elementary school had 22 things that were 25 years past useful life. The 2021 CMP FCA found zero things that were past useful life. How can this be?		The rubric for the ESA's and FCA's and the revised reports will be recalibrated and updated on the CMP website in the coming weeks. It is our goal to have these fully updated before the September Town Hall meetings.
When will the enrollment projections for theme schools be posted?		The CMP Team will be reviewing the assessment data page of the CMP website and will update all information as needed including the inventory of special programs and the demographic/forecast study.
Why do schools where the HVAC are installed incorrectly and never work have to wait 7+ years to get that addressed?		DCSD is working diligently with contractors to address our roofs, and other items under warranty including parts of recently installed HVAC systems.
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The forecasts for theme schools are listed as pending.		The CMP Team will be reviewing the assessment data page of the CMP website and will update all information as needed including the inventory of special programs and the demographic/forecast study.
The PACs were not shown the ESAs only the FCAs.		The rubric for the ESA's and FCA's and the revised reports will be recalibrated and updated on the CMP website in the coming weeks. It is our goal to have these fully updated before the September Town Hall meetings.
Please also ask why HVACs which don't work and have never worked since installation have to wait 7 or more years before the issue gets addressed.		DCSD is working diligently with contractors to address our roofs, and other items under warranty including parts of recently installed HVAC systems. Please have the appropriate staff in the schools place work orders for any unknown issues in the facility so that our Facilities & Maintenance team can do their part.