As the winter break approaches, there is a lot of SMART news to report! SMART facilities projects continue to make progress and are on track to be completed within the original five to seven-year time frame! Currently, there are 772 school facilities projects in various phases of the SMART process, which includes 71 new projects initiated since the last SMART update. This marks an overall investment of $515 million as of November 30, 2016.

School Choice Enhancement Program Projects:
The total number of schools Districtwide with School Choice Enhancement Program (SCEP) projects underway is now up to 140, an increase from 110! The District is excited to begin the SCEP projects at the 30 additional schools ahead of schedule. The work was originally scheduled to begin in January 2017.

As part of the SMART initiative, every District school receives $100,000 to improve the condition of instructional and educational spaces at their school. To learn more about the SCEP process, check out this new informational brochure at: browardschools.com/document/scep.

SMART Facilities Highlights:
- In November 2016, SMART projects at three schools – whose combined project budgets total over $17 million, received School Board approval to begin the process of hiring design teams (phase two).
  - Boyd Anderson High School (District 5) $5,089,847
  - Charles W. Flanagan High School (District 2) $8,654,000
  - Charles Drew Family Resource Center (District 7) $3,278,000
- TOTAL $17,021,847

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SMART Facilities Highlights:

- In November 2016, SMART projects at three schools received School Board approval to hire Construction Management at Risk (CMAR) contractors to work alongside approved design firms during the pre-construction phase of these projects. Hiring the contractors at this early stage in the design process is a valuable step to ensure a seamless and faster transition from designing to implementing improvements.
  - Stranahan High School (District 3): Replace non-ADA compliant concrete ramps and install aluminum canopies, single point of entry, fire sprinklers, fire alarm, weight room renovation, roof and loggias replacement, STEM lab improvements, media center improvements, HVAC improvements, and electrical improvements
  - Northeast High School (District 3): Single point of entry, safety/security upgrades, fire sprinklers, fire alarm, weight room renovation, STEM lab improvements, HVAC improvements, electrical improvements, re-roofing, and ADA renovations related to educational adequacy
  - Blanche Ely High School (District 7): Gymnasium accessibility, ADA stage lift, outdoor dining renovation, fire sprinklers, single point of entry, weight room renovation, HVAC improvements, building envelope improvements, STEM lab improvements, media center improvements, and IAQ and fascia replacement

- In November 2016, SMART projects at two schools received School Board approval to begin the process of preparing drawings/plans for contractors (phase three).
  - Oakridge Elementary School (District 1): Single point of entry, replace fire alarm system, improvements to Building 2, media center improvements, HVAC improvements, and building envelope improvements
  - Annabel C. Perry Pre-K – 8 School (District 1): Fire sprinklers, fire alarm, building envelope improvements, HVAC improvements, and electrical improvements

SMART Community Update

Keeping the community informed about the SMART program’s progress is a priority. Superintendent Robert W. Runcie and the District’s Facilities team continue to visit with stakeholder groups to provide updates and answer questions from the community. Below are images from recent visits.
Did you know...

**SMART Music**

To date, 23 middle schools and 14 high schools have either completed or nearly completed the ordering of their new musical instruments and equipment as part of the SMART program! This marks an investment of more than $12 million and includes:

- More than 1,400 instruments and equipment for middle schools
- More than 2,900 instruments and equipment for high schools

As the ordering process moves forward for middle and high schools, a new electronic ordering system is also helping elementary schools streamline the ordering process.

Funding for school music programs is as follows:

- High schools receive $300,000
- Middle schools receive $100,000
- Elementary schools and centers receive $50,000

To learn more, visit: [browardschools.com/SiteMedia/Docs/Reports/SMART/FY17_Q1BOCReport_Music.pdf](browardschools.com/SiteMedia/Docs/Reports/SMART/FY17_Q1BOCReport_Music.pdf)

**SMART Athletics**

**On Your Mark, Get Set, Go!**

Much needed track renovations are taking place at eight local high schools this calendar year, while three middle school tracks were completed last year (Apollo Middle School, Pioneer Middle School and Seminole Middle School).

Five of the eight high school tracks are finished and currently being used by students and the surrounding communities. The completed tracks include Stranahan High School, Western High School, Flanagan High School, Hollywood Hills High School and Hallandale High School.

Pompano Beach High School will be completed by February 2017, and J.P. Taravella High School and Miramar High School will be available this summer.

Next school year, track renovations will take place at Cypress Bay High School, Monarch High School, Plantation High School and West Broward High School.
Coral Springs High School’s (CSHS) mission and vision is to prepare our diverse population of students to meet the challenges of education, work and life, as we foster equal opportunities for success and celebration in a safe environment of mutual respect and camaraderie. Through our four Innovative Programs, we have created educational and social opportunities for a seamless transition from our secondary learning environment to the global world of education and business.

The SMART Bond funding helped to provide students with unique experiences by providing cutting-edge technology resources to ensure strong mapping between academic successes and aligning program developments with industry needs and entrepreneurship. With SMART funds, teachers also received upgraded computer laptops, and laptop carts were purchased for classroom use! Additionally, a new business lab was created to add additional Career, Technical, Adult and Community Education Information Technology courses, which would result in more students taking industry certification exams!

With more advanced technology resources and improvements, our students are able to work collaboratively with schools internationally and locally as they design projects, create mobile apps and build video games (from storyboard to completion) that are plausible solutions to identified situations and issues. The SMART bond is making it possible for all students to be major contributors to the 21st century and beyond. For more information about Coral Springs High School, visit coralspringshigh.browardschools.com.

For more information about the SMART Initiative, visit browardschools.com/smartfutures.