

MAY 2024 -SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT



FSD3- A Premier District of Choice

Ensuring Our Students Are College or Career Ready, Productive and Responsible members of society.



Update of District /School Facilities' Assessment

We're assessing our facilities to develop a plan for updating all of our district facilities, resulting in brighter, safer, and more comfortable learning environments for students and staff.

The assessment focuses on three areas.

FLORENCE 3.0

Academics

Arts

Athletics



Florence County School District 3

Capital Recovery & Reinvestment Program

Investment Grade Audit – Program Overview and Progress Update
May 2024

FLORENCE **3** + **Schneider**
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Partnership Goals:

Address critical deferred maintenance needs while modernizing facilities



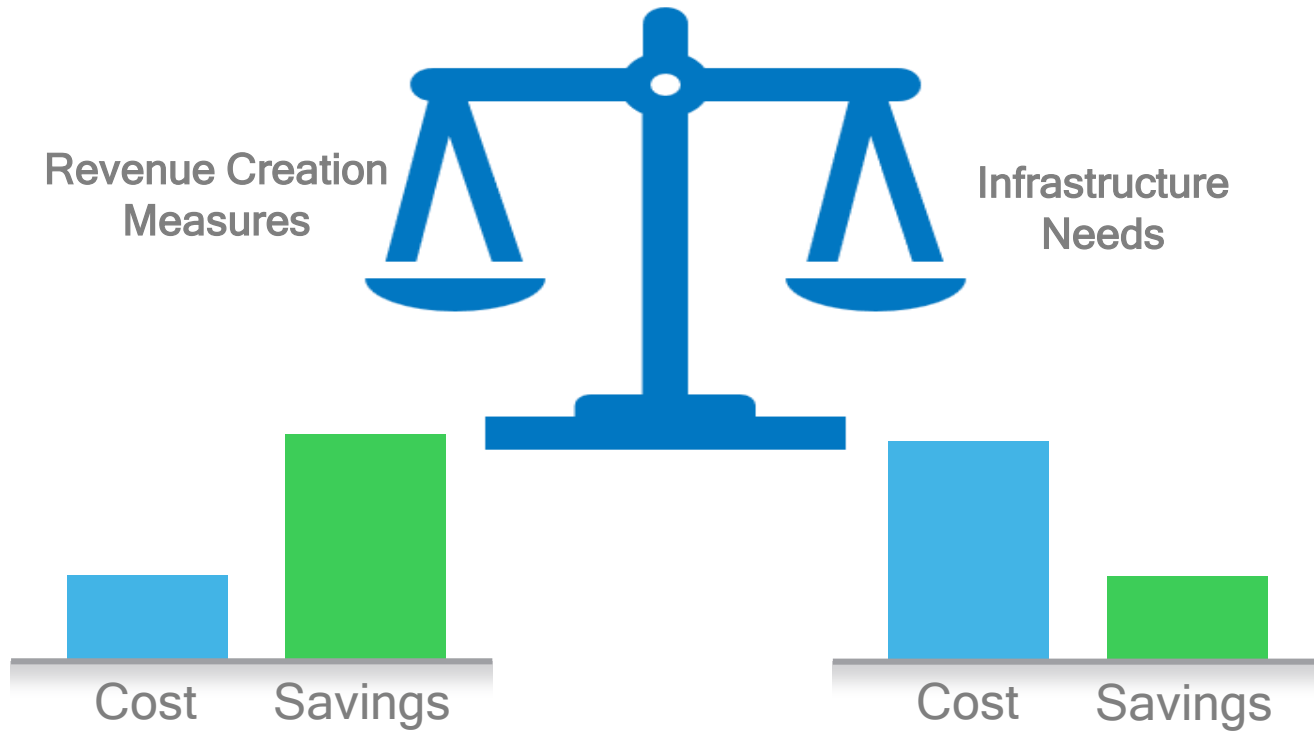
Find a long-term partner that delivers quality solutions



Improve operational efficiency and standardization



Increase community and student engagement



- LED Lighting
- Building Automation
- Water conservation retrofits
- Building Envelope
- VoIP Telecom Upgrade
- SE Software Suite
- Alternative Energy

- HVAC system renewal
 - Roofs/windows
 - Safety & security
 - IT Upgrades
- Sports lighting renovations

Progress to Date

- **Surveys** – Our team has completed a comprehensive survey of all district facilities, focused on the following areas of need:
 - Lighting
 - HVAC equipment
 - *Approximately 55% of existing systems (385) are already beyond average useful life at 20+ years old.*
 - Thermostats/control systems
 - Building envelope
 - Roofing
 - *8 sections that are 15+ years old*
 - Electrical infrastructure

HVAC Units 20+ Years Old		
Campus	%	QTY
District Office	14%	7
Dr. Ronald E McNair	69%	47
JC Lynch Elementary	56%	29
J Paul Truluck	40%	34
Lake City Early Childhood	88%	95
Lake City High School	62%	86
Main St Elementary	66%	42
Olanta Elementary	38%	18
Panther Academy	3%	1
Scranton Elementary	46%	26
District-wide	55%	385

Progress to Date

- **Utility Analysis**
 - A comprehensive analysis of all district utility accounts (electric, natural gas, water) is underway to determine baseline costs.
 - Energy models are being built and tuned to this baseline to calculate energy savings for each scope of work by building.
- **Mechanical Design** – A conceptual design has been completed for Lake City Early Childhood Center to replace the school’s HVAC.
 - School still using original 1996 equipment that is *far beyond* its useful life.
 - Not able to control humidity to provide a comfortable learning environment.
 - No fresh air is being supplied to rooms, which can negatively impact the learning environment.
 - New HVAC design will improve comfort, indoor air quality, and energy efficiency while also reducing noise in the classrooms.
- **30% Scope Review Meeting** – first milestone meeting in late May



Progress to Date

- **Value-Added Services**
 - Grant Support:
 - **Renew America's Schools Grant** – collaborating with Florence SD5 to strengthen application
 - **COPS School Violence Prevention Act** - \$73M available in funding
 - **USDA Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grant** – submitted for \$320K for hardware and software
 - **School Based Mental Health Grant** – due 5/31
 - **US Economic Development Authority** – technology for Career and College readiness, workforce development, etc.
 - Marketing support – logo refresh:

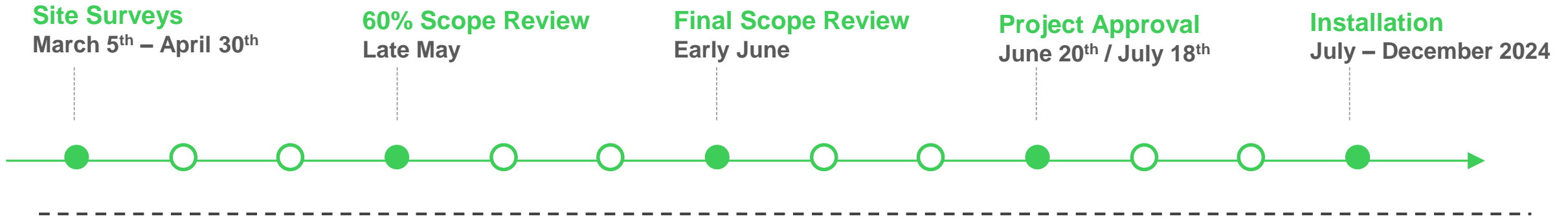
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SCHOOL DISTRICT THREE
Academics • Arts • Athletics

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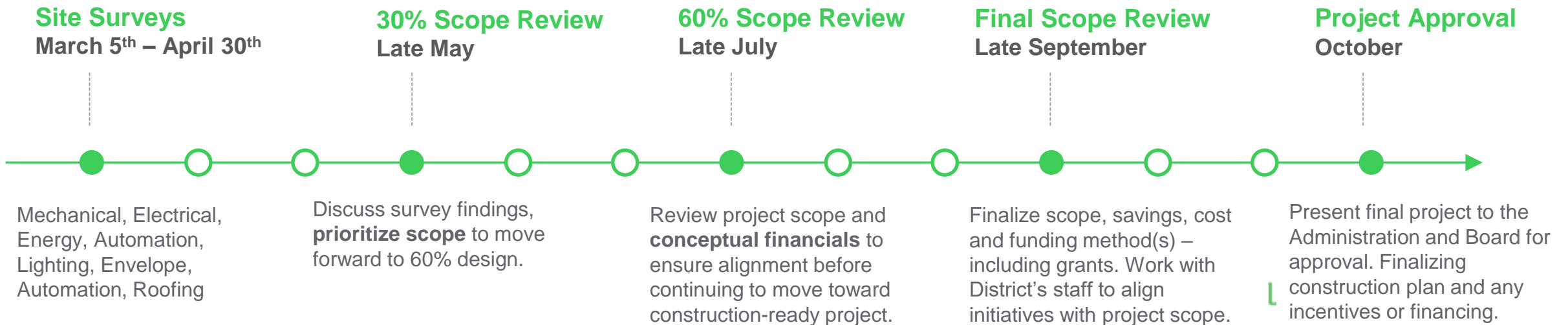


Development Timeline

Fast-tracked Phase 1 Design



District-wide project design

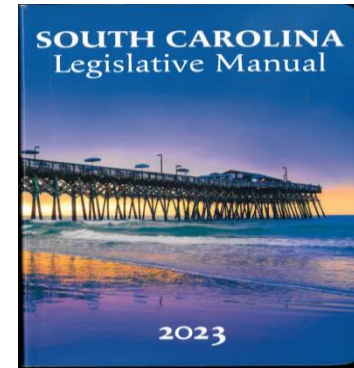


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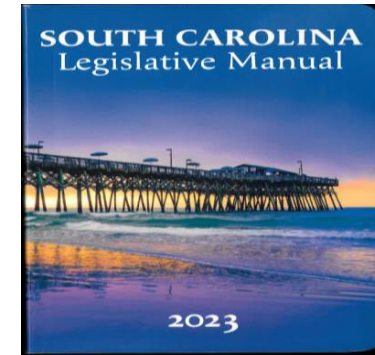
LEGISLATIVE UPDATES



Amended Bill [H. 4280](#), the Educator Assistance Act proposes:

- Certificates are permanent unless revoked or suspended therefore no certificate renewal would be required.
- Teachers who submit their contract prior to May 11th may withdraw from their contract up to 10 days after the district's salary schedule for the coming school year has been published.
- The State Board of Education may not hear a breach of contract complaint from a school board unless it is received within 30 days of the breach.
- A certificate suspension must begin on the date the contract is breached for a period not to exceed six months of the date of the breach or the date of the board's determination if the educator is employed by another public school or public school district.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATES



[Bill S. 305](#)

- The House gave second and third readings to [Bill S. 305](#), that directs the SCDE, when reviewing an educator certificate, to award years of experience for occupational experience in, or related to the content field of the certificate for which the individual qualifies.
- As amended, one year of experience credit may be awarded for every year of full-time relevant work experience, but will not be considered for service credit for the state retirement system or state health plans.



International Trip for the summer of 2026

- Request: Approval for JPT teacher, Mrs. Cantley, to move forward with a committee to plan the International Trip to London for students for the summer of 2026.
- **Action Needed**

“Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.” —
Nelson Mandela



Amended Bond Resolution

Request: Approval to amend the current bond resolution for the following reasons:

1. We were able to fund the expansion of Scranton's cafeteria from ESSER funds and did not have to use the bond funds for this project.

2. The original bond request states the expansion of Scranton's cafeteria. However, since this projected has been completed, I have amended the request to list the following allowable items from budget priority list:

- - A. Gym Floor @ JPT - **Estimated cost is \$98,000**
 - B. Gym Bleachers and Painting @ JPT and REM - **Estimated cost is \$324,000**
 - C. Technology – 70 UPS Battery Backups - **Estimated cost is \$105,000**
 - D. Repair classroom floor @ JPT dance room - **Estimated cost is \$40,000**
- **Action Needed**



CLASS OF 2025 GRADUATION DATES

Approval Requested:

J Paul Truluck Magnet School: May 22, 2025 at 6:00 pm

Lake City High School: May 23, 2025 at 7:00 pm

Action Needed



Board Meeting Dates for SY 2024-2025 - **Action Needed**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Thursday, July 18, 2024	6:00 p.m.	FSD3 Board Room/District Office
Thursday, August 15, 2024	6:00 p.m.	FSD3 Board Room/District Office
Thursday, September 19, 2024	6:00 p.m.	FSD3 Board Room/District Office
Thursday, October 17, 2024	6:00 p.m.	FSD3 Board Room/District Office
Thursday, November 21, 2024	6:00 p.m.	FSD3 Board Room/District Office
Thursday, December 19, 2024	6:00 p.m.	FSD3 Board Room/District Office
Thursday, January 16, 2025	6:00 p.m.	FSD3 Board Room/District Office
Tuesday, February 18, 2025	6:00 p.m.	FSD3 Board Room/District Office
Thursday, March 20, 2025	6:00 p.m.	FSD3 Board Room/District Office
Thursday, April 10, 2025	6:00 p.m.	FSD3 Board Room/District Office
Thursday, May 15, 2025	6:00 p.m.	FSD3 Board Room/District Office
Thursday, June 19, 2025	6:00 p.m.	FSD3 Board Room/District Office
Thursday, July 17, 2025	6:00 p.m.	FSD3 Board Room/District Office

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