

Joint Meeting
Alachua County Public Schools-
City of Alachua

District Grade: 'A'

- Increase from 'B' grade in 2018
- Calculated as if the district is one big school
- Includes test scores, graduation rates, advanced coursework and tests, career certification

School Grades

- Number of 'D' schools fell from 6 to 3; no 'F' schools; no D or F schools in Alachua
- Of six DA (differentiated accountability) schools, five made significant achievement gains
- Four of 6 DA schools raised their grades, including Alachua Elementary School

Alachua Elementary School



- School earned an additional 92 grading points on a 700 point scale
- Made gains in all seven categories included in the grading formula
- Strongest gains were in math

Support for DA schools

- Additional hour of school, with extra pay for teachers
- Additional teacher units
- Incentive pay for teachers (\$1500 for the year)
- Additional instructional coaches and mentor coaches
- Funding for teachers and paras for summer school for all grades
- Additional behavioral supports
- Professional development for teachers and staff

...and more

Graduation Rates

- Overall ACPS graduation rate up from 83% to 88% in 2018; 95% in schools operated by the district
- Graduation rate at SFHS rose from 90% to 94% in 2018
- Graduation rate for African American students at SFHS rose from 71% to 93%



Innovative Programs

- AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) program (Mebane & SFHS)
- AP Capstone program (SFHS)
- Additional teacher allocation to support underrepresented students in advanced courses (Mebane & SFHS)
- AP Summer Institute (SFHS)
- Power Hour (SFHS)



Innovative Programs

- Model Classrooms (Mebane & Kanapaha Middle)
- SFHS Jobs for Graduates program (SFHS)
- Achieve 3000 literacy program (SFHS)
- African History/African American History courses (SFHS)
- Full time social worker for Alachua area schools

...and more!



AVID Early Results--Mebane

- After just one year in Mebane's AVID program, the percentage of students earning a 3 or higher on the English Language Arts FSA rose from 28% to 48%
- The percentage of Mebane AVID students earning a 3 or above in math rose from 20% to 40%; 60% boosted their score on the FSA by a entire performance level
- Number of AVID students at Mebane doubled in 2019-20
- Community volunteers needed! (one day a week)

Santa Fe High Stats

- 84% of the students in the AVID program passed the FSA (ELA and math) in 2019; student enrollment doubled this year
- 53% of AP Capstone students passed the AP exam; all 2018-19 Capstone students are taking AP or dual-enrollment courses this year
- Total number of students taking AP courses has doubled in the last eight years
- Enrollment in Jobs for Graduates program has increased by more than 20%; now up to 60 students
- Inclusion rate for ESE students is 92%

21st Century Program

- Free after-school and summer enrichment programs (in addition to EDEP)
- Irby and Alachua are among six ACPS elementary schools that have the programs
- 90 students currently enrolled at both schools



Per Pupil Spending (2018-19)

Average Elementary:	\$9,047
Alachua Elementary:	\$11,521 (4 th among elementary schools)
Irby Elementary:	\$10,340 (8 th among elementary schools)
Average Middle:	\$6,993
Mebane Middle:	\$8,288 (1 st among middle schools)
Average High:	\$7,110
Santa Fe High:	\$6,938 (5 th among high schools)

School Property Taxes

- Unlike cities and counties, almost all of the school property tax rate for Florida districts is set by the Legislature
- The legislature cut the property tax rate by .1 mills for 2019-20 for Alachua County
- 5th straight annual decrease, 9th decrease in ten years

School Property Taxes

The owner of a home valued at \$125,000 ten years ago is paying \$52 **LESS** in school taxes than they were in FY 2009-10, even though the taxable value of that home has increased by nearly \$25,000.



One Mill for Schools



- Approved by Alachua County voters in 2008, 2012 and 2016
- Up for voter renewal in 2020
- Cost to the average homeowner is about \$5 per month

One Mill for Schools

- Allows the district to maintain robust art and music programs, guidance counselors, school librarians, academic and career tech magnet programs and classroom technology; also guarantees school nurses
- Funds 14 teaching positions in Alachua area schools, plus classroom technology



Facilities Improvements

- Half-Cent for Schools will mean higher quality learning environment for all students
- Focus is on revitalizing existing schools
- Costs the average Alachua County household about \$5/month

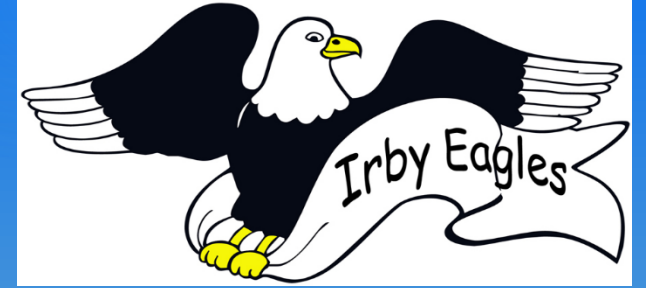


Revitalization of Alachua Schools

- Full-scale construction/renovation projects at Alachua, Mebane and Santa Fe scheduled for the next five years
- Additional projects, including SFHS auditorium, HVAC projects at Alachua and Irby, safety and security upgrades happening even earlier
- Each school has been allocated an additional \$50K in up-front funding for facilities projects of their choosing; selection/planning of projects underway

**Projects planned for all four Alachua area schools
estimated at more than \$47 million**

Irby Elementary School



2020: Replacement of HVAC (heating, ventilation, air conditioning) in Building 3 (food service/music)

2031: Renovation/modernization of 32 existing classrooms
Renovation/modernization of media center
Renovation/modernization of kitchen/dining/
multi-purpose/music

Ongoing: Safety and security improvements; currently planning installation of electromagnetic locks for front door and security locks for classroom doors

Alachua Elementary School



2022: Replacement of HVAC (heating, ventilation, air conditioning) in Building 6 (classrooms)

2024: Renovate/modernize 24 existing classrooms
Renovate/modernize kitchen/dining area
Renovate/modernize media center

Ongoing: Safety and security improvements; includes fencing and security gates completed in fall of 2019



Mebane Middle School



2023: Renovation/modernization of
31 existing classrooms
Renovation/modernization of
3 existing science classrooms/labs
Renovation/modernization of music area
Renovation/modernization of auditorium
Renovation/modernization of agriculture building

Ongoing: Safety and security improvements; currently preparing bids on fencing for bus loop and east and north sides of campus

Santa Fe High School



2019: Renovation/modernization of auditorium (underway)

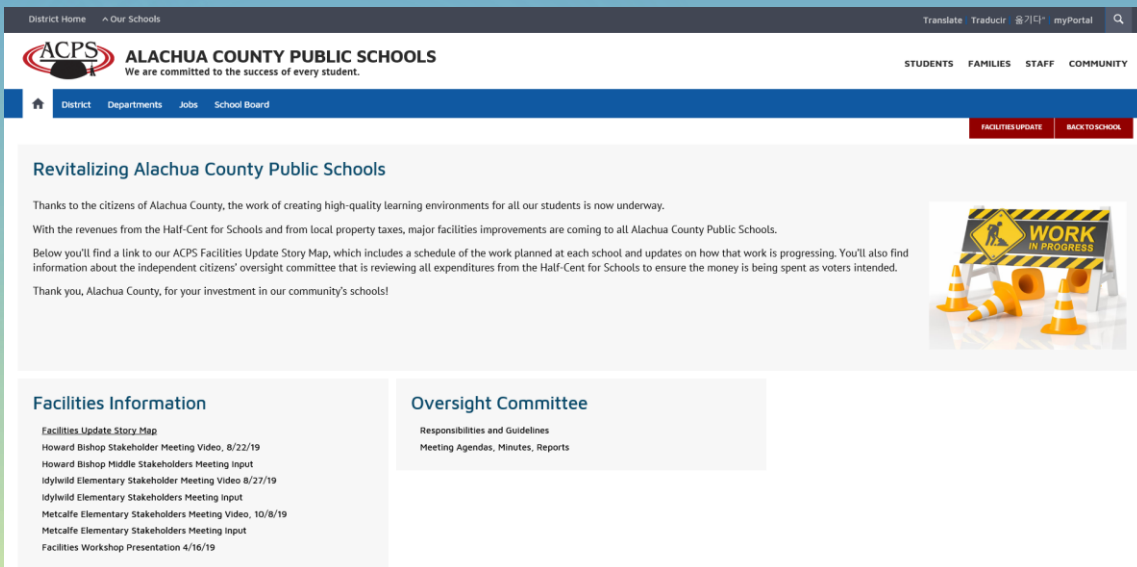
2024: Construction of 29 new classrooms
Construction of new kitchen building
Remodeling/expansion of dining area
Demolition of buildings
Renovation/modernization of media center

Ongoing: Safety and security improvements, including recent installation of automatic security gate and fencing at bus loop



Facilities Updates

- List of all school projects, timelines and progress available on the district's website (sbac.edu)
- Families/public will also be updated through fliers, school newsletters, media, etc.



The screenshot shows the ACPS website with a dark blue header containing navigation links like 'District Home', 'Our Schools', 'Translate', and 'myPortal'. The main content area features a 'Revitalizing Alachua County Public Schools' announcement, a 'Facilities Information' sidebar with links to various meeting videos, and an 'Oversight Committee' section. A 'WORK IN PROGRESS' graphic with orange traffic cones is also visible.

Revitalizing Alachua County Public Schools

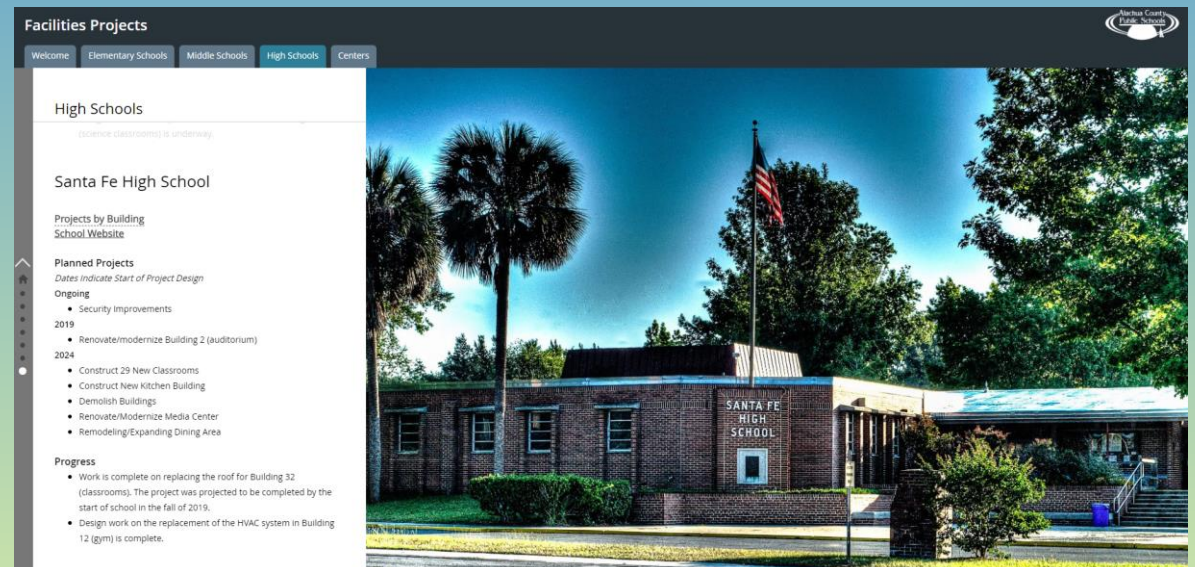
Thanks to the citizens of Alachua County, the work of creating high-quality learning environments for all our students is now underway. With the revenues from the Half-Cent for Schools and from local property taxes, major facilities improvements are coming to all Alachua County Public Schools. Below you'll find a link to our ACPS Facilities Update Story Map, which includes a schedule of the work planned at each school and updates on how that work is progressing. You'll also find information about the independent citizens' oversight committee that is reviewing all expenditures from the Half-Cent for Schools to ensure the money is being spent as voters intended. Thank you, Alachua County, for your investment in our community's schools!

Facilities Information

- Facilities Update Story Map
- Howard Bishop Stakeholder Meeting Video, 8/22/19
- Howard Bishop Middle Stakeholders Meeting Input
- Idylwild Elementary Stakeholder Meeting Video 8/22/19
- Idylwild Elementary Stakeholders Meeting Input
- Metcalfe Elementary Stakeholders Meeting Video, 10/8/19
- Metcalfe Elementary Stakeholders Meeting Input
- Facilities Workshop Presentation 4/16/19

Oversight Committee

- Responsibilities and Guidelines
- Meeting Agendas, Minutes, Reports



The screenshot shows the 'Facilities Projects' page with a sidebar for navigation (Welcome, Elementary Schools, Middle Schools, High Schools, Centers). The main content area is titled 'High Schools' and lists projects for Santa Fe High School. It includes sections for 'Planned Projects' with dates, 'Ongoing' projects, and 'Progress' updates. A large photograph of Santa Fe High School is on the right.

Facilities Projects

Welcome Elementary Schools Middle Schools **High Schools** Centers

High Schools

(science classrooms) is underway.

Santa Fe High School

Projects by Building
School Website

Planned Projects
Dates indicate Start of Project Design

Ongoing

- Security Improvements

2019

- Renovate/modernize Building 2 (auditorium)

2024

- Construct 29 New Classrooms
- Construct New Kitchen Building
- Demolish Buildings
- Renovate/Modernize Media Center
- Remodeling/Expanding Dining Area

Progress

- Work is complete on replacing the roof for Building 32 (classrooms). The project was projected to be completed by the start of school in the fall of 2019.
- Design work on the replacement of the HVAC system in Building 12 (gym) is complete.

For more information:



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