



Board of Directors' Update

May 14, 2018



Facility update: At our May 8 Board meeting, we approved a contract to install and connect our new temporary modular classrooms on our Port Royal school site. This week, the S.C. Office of School Facilities will give us what we hope is the final review and approval of our facility plans. And, on May 22, bids are due for site-work

proposals to begin the work on our property off Robert Smalls Parkway, across from the water tower. The progress is slow, but steady.

Budget: After several days of discussion and debate, and crunching a lot of numbers, the Board of Directors on May 8 approved a budget for the next school year. Because of our modular units and the start of construction, our budget is extremely tight for FY2019. The board voted to revisit employee raises and possible bonuses in November-December, once we have a better idea about construction costs and cash flow. We appreciate your understanding – we **MUST** get our new campus underway and that takes a lot of upfront money.

Kudos to our first-ever **National Honor Society** inductees: Dawson Cadd, Campbell Crum, Colby Escoe, Nate Gore, Kyle King, Emalee Payne, Courtney Pulaski, Suchir Shetty and Jamie Smith . It is a major accomplishment for a high school student to be invited to the NHS. Congrats!

And special thanks to our wonderful PTO for their flawless Shrimp and Grits Block Party last month! What an amazing job by these volunteers. Thank you to all who helped, and to those who helped by attending.

End of Year notes ... As we move into the final days of this school year, please remind your children and yourselves that while we are in the homestretch, we haven't crossed the finish line yet. Remind the kids that the dress code and behavior rules still apply. I know the teachers are excited as the students about summer, but we have to keep our eye on the prize all the way to the end.

This board will have a lot going on this summer as we start preparing our Port Royal school site for the temporary modular classrooms and then site-prepping the whole property for construction. We will keep you updated through the summer.

Best wishes for a great May! Dee Matthews, Board Chair