



GASTON COUNTY SCHOOLS

2018 Long Range Facility Plan

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VISION

The vision of Gaston County Schools is to inspire success and a lifetime of learning.

MISSION

Through outstanding employees and community partners, Gaston County Schools provides innovative educational opportunities for all students in a safe and nurturing learning environment.

BELIEFS

Diversity
Innovation
Collaboration
Excellence
Safety

GOALS

Every student will graduate prepared for post-secondary opportunities.

Every member of our diverse student population has the opportunity for individualized instruction.

Every employee is capable and committed to the education of the whole child.

Every school has up-to-date technology to support teaching and learning.

Every student has the opportunity to learn in a safe school environment.



INTRODUCTION

In its mission, Gaston County Schools strives to inspire success and a lifetime of learning. To that end, GCS endeavors to provide each student, teacher, and staff member with outstanding educational facilities that inspire teaching and learning. School facilities support the mission of GCS by providing innovative educational opportunities in a safe and nurturing learning environment.

In an effort to continuously improve the educational environment of the more than 32,000 students who come to learn and grow, GCS must develop and update its Long Range Facility Plan (LRFP). As a guiding resource, the LRFP provides the necessary identification and qualification for priority-based renewals and replacements of GCS facilities which serve our students and teachers each day, week, month, and year. The document is meant to serve as a communication vehicle to demonstrate need, guide implementation, and look to the future to anticipate needs.

The LRFP strives to provide an assessment of each facility's condition in conjunction with physical needs required to support a safe and nurturing learning environment. As part of this process, each successive LRFP reviews the former plan in order to remove items undertaken or completed and verifies adequate student capacity based upon enrollment data and projections. Once identified needs have been quantified, a capital estimate is generated and inevitably a district forecast is developed.

As each year brings new challenges to address, GCS facilities are continually evaluated for condition, capacity, and function. With anticipated growth, not only is additional educational space needed but it is also vital that existing facilities are reconditioned and repurposed in order to continue to meet the demands of quality learning environments. GCS is dedicated to taking care of the community's investment for decades to come to ensure our children are provided with a safe and nurturing space to learn and grow.

HISTORY

In 1968, the modern Gaston County School District became a reality through the consolidation of what were then three school systems within Gaston County – City of Gastonia, Gaston County, and City of Cherryville. Two years earlier, the Public Administration Service had submitted a report entitled “The Public Schools of Gaston County” to the Board of County Commissioners with the recommendation that the three systems be consolidated into a single countywide system.

This became reality in 1968 by a referendum of the citizens pursuant to an enabling act of the state legislature. In 1973, the introduction of Kindergarten across the state increased the student population by about 3,200 as well as the staffing, curriculum, and facility needs throughout the district. Other such innovations and curricula needs throughout the decades

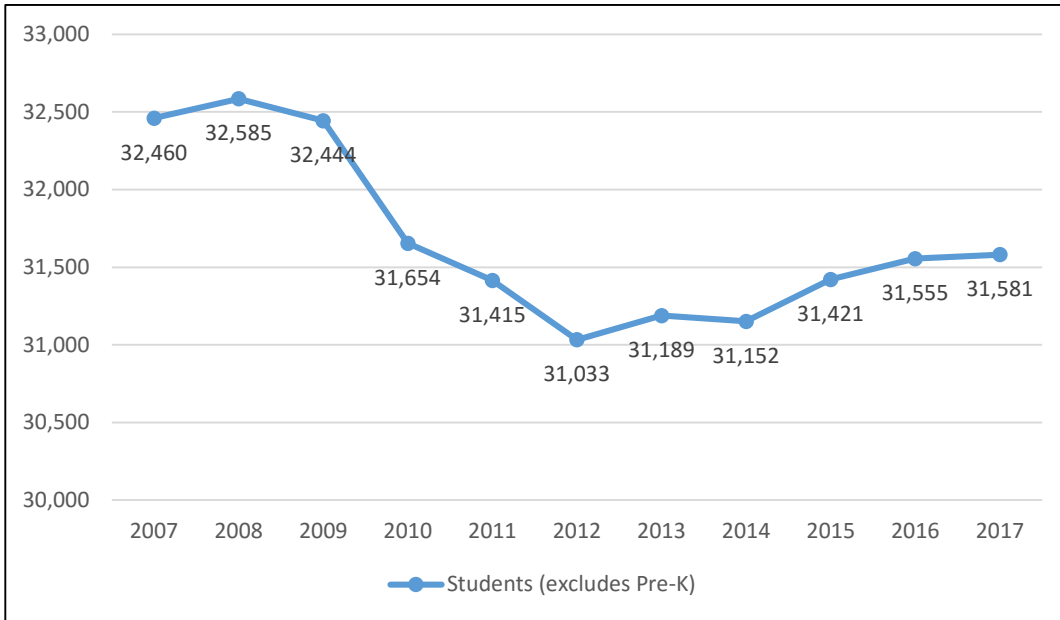
have created an ever-increasing demand for quality facilities that provide our students and teachers with the learning environments they so richly need and deserve.

Today, GCS is the tenth largest public school district in North Carolina and provides a wide range of facility services for students, teachers, and staff throughout 54 schools as well as central administrative service locations. Requests for service and repair are managed through a centralized request system. Facilities Services personnel diligently maintain a preventative maintenance schedule, provide regular maintenance services, respond to emergency situations, and plan accordingly for future needs.

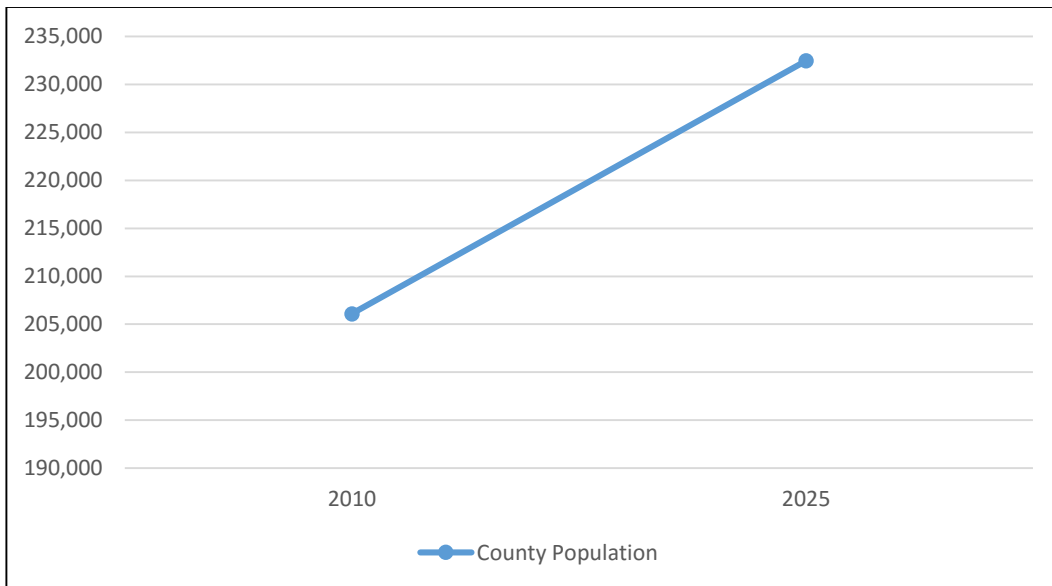
This LRFP is one of many resources used to assist with prioritization and planning where and how resources may best be provided should funding allow.

ENROLLMENTS AND GROWTH

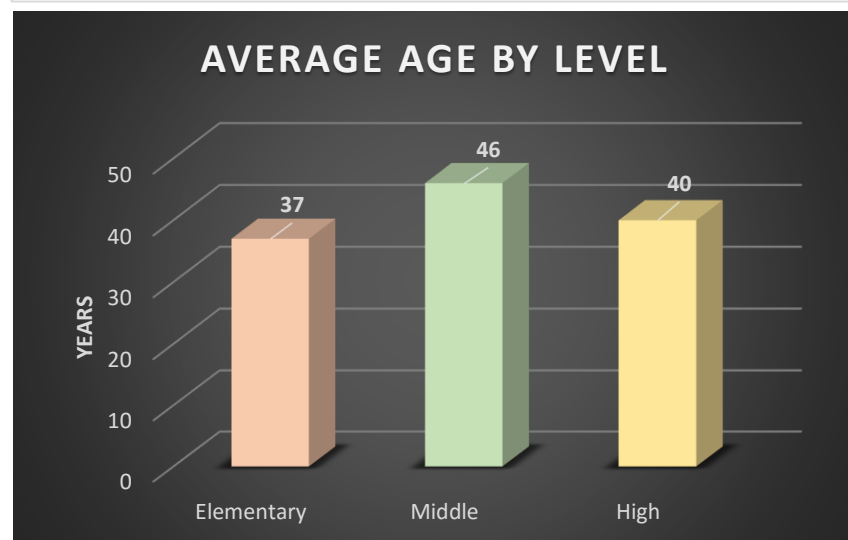
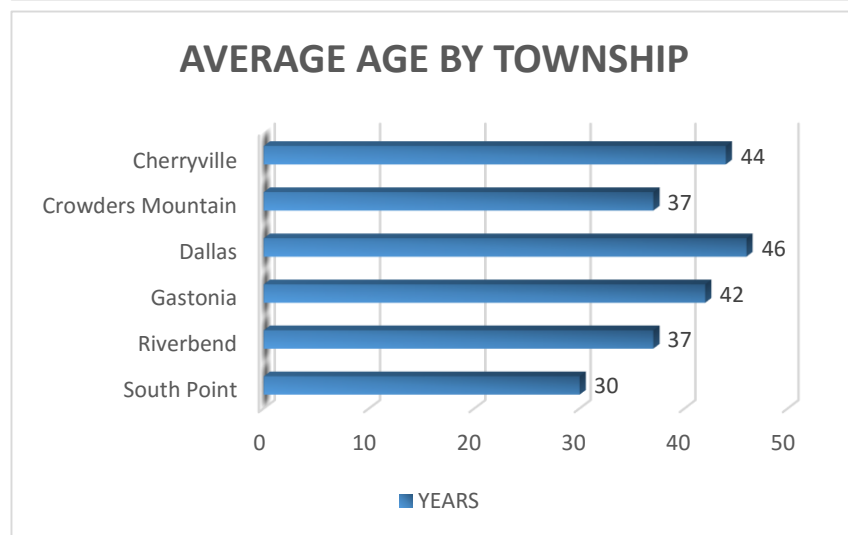
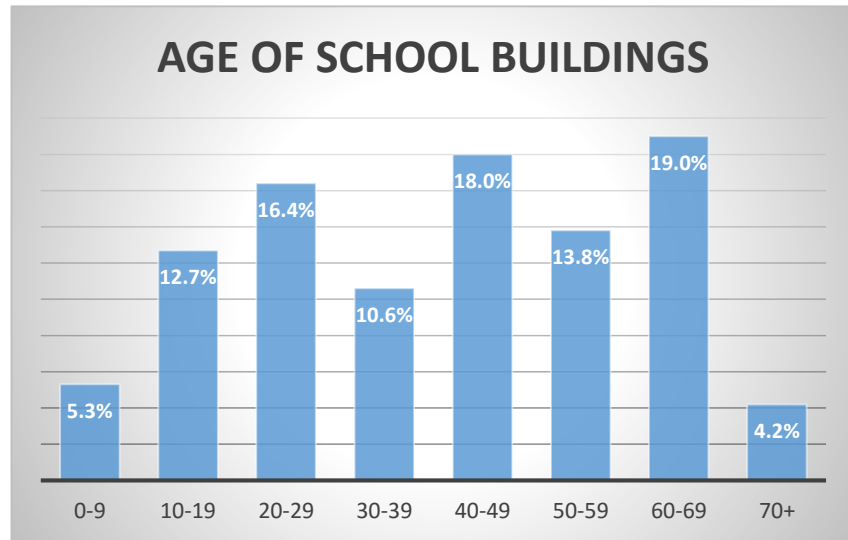
Previous Decade of Enrollments



Projected County Growth



FACILITY AGE



ASHBROOK HIGH SCHOOL

2222 SOUTH NEW HOPE ROAD

Building Size:	204,982 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	1,459
Grade Level:	9-12
Year Built:	1970, '96
Site Size:	68.4 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$16-20M



HISTORY

Ashbrook High School is a comprehensive grades 9-12 high school opened in 1970 and is located on South New Hope Road in Gastonia. The school is a consolidation of the former Ashley High (Gastonia High and Highland High) and Holbrook High schools which resulted in the name Ashbrook. An auxiliary gym was opened in 1996 as a result of the district's shift from grades 7-9 junior highs/grades 10-12 high schools to grades 6-8 middle schools/9-12 high schools.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Auditoriums
- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Furniture
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Other

H.H. BEAM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

200 DAVIS PARK ROAD

Building Size:	75,070 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	723
Grade Level:	K-5
Year Built:	1974, '91, '05
Site Size:	12 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$ 2-4M



HISTORY

Hershal H. Beam Elementary houses grades K-5 and is located on Davis Park Road in Gastonia. The original school, South Gastonia, was built on the current school site in 1925 and over the years housed grades 1-9. This school was replaced with on-site major building projects in 1991 and 2005. The school is named for the late Hershal H. Beam, longtime principal of South Gastonia School and member of the Gaston County Board of Education who also served as Chair of the Board.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Carpentry
- Electrical
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing

W.B. BEAM INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

401 EAST FIRST STREET

Building Size:	31,956 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	221
Grade Level:	4-5
Year Built:	1948, '51, '61, '04
Site Size:	12.9 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$1-3M



HISTORY

Located on East First Street in Cherryville, William Blaine Beam Intermediate houses grades 4 and 5. The school opened in 2004 on the campus of the former Cherryville High School. Three classrooms, Starnes Auditorium and band room, administration areas and cafeteria that were part of the former high school were renovated along with a new classroom wing, comprise this school. The school also has access to Nixon Gym which is part of the former high school and continues to be used by the current high school. The school is named for late Cherryville resident William Blaine Beam who served on the Cherryville Board of Education for 12 years, and he worked to obtain the land where the current Cherryville High was built.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Auditoriums
- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Furniture
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing

BELMONT CENTRAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

310 EAGLE ROAD

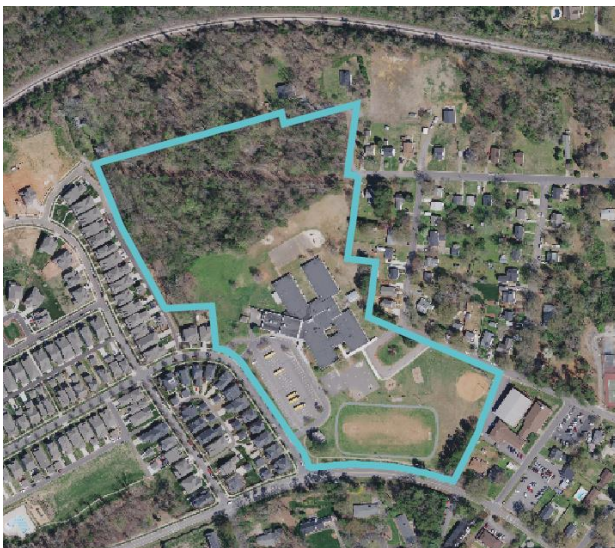
Building Size:	63,713 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	619
Grade Level:	2-5
Year Built:	1969
Site Size:	21.1 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$8-12M



HISTORY

Belmont Central is a grades 2-5 elementary school located on Eagle Road in Belmont. Opened in September 1970, the school housed grades 1-6. The present school was built to relieve overcrowding and replace an aging Central School. Grades 7 and 8 were moved from the old school in 1964/1965 and Kindergarten was added to the present school in 1973. These changes gave the school a grades K-6 configuration. With the district's change to middle schools in 1997, the school housed grades K-5. To help relieve overcrowding, the school began serving grades 2-5 and was paired with J.B. Page Primary (grades K-1) in 2003-2004.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Furniture
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Other

BELMONT MIDDLE SCHOOL

110 NORTH CENTRAL AVENUE

Building Size:	116,006 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	707
Grade Level:	6-8
Year Built:	1938, '53, '81, '95
Site Size:	4.5 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$35M



HISTORY

Belmont Middle is a grades 6-8 middle school located on Central Avenue in Belmont. The school opened in 1939 as Belmont High School and has seen several additions to accommodate population growth over the years. The school became a junior high serving grades 7-9 when a new high school was opened in 1964. The school transitioned to a grades 6-8 middle school in 1997.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- New School

W.A. BESS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

4340 BEATY ROAD

Building Size:	70,555 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	665
Grade Level:	K-5
Year Built:	1982, '95, '03
Site Size:	34.4 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$3-5M



HISTORY

Bess is a grades K-5 elementary school located on Beaty Road in Gastonia. The school is named for 41-year educator Willard A. Bess who served 32 years as the principal of Robinson Elementary. The school opened in 1982 to relieve overcrowding at Robinson Elementary and housed grades K-6. This area of Gastonia and Gaston County has grown and, as a result, the school had major additions in 1995 and 2003. With the school district's move to middle schools, Bess became a grades K-5 elementary in 1997.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Furniture
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing

BESSEMER CITY CENTRAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

1400 PUETTS CHAPEL ROAD

Building Size:	54,528 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	490
Grade Level:	3-5
Year Built:	1999
Site Size:	27 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$3-5M



HISTORY

Bessemer City Central Elementary houses grades 3-5 and is located on Puetts Chapel Road in Bessemer City. The one-story school was constructed in 1999 replacing an aging facility built in 1929, destroyed by fire in 1942 and rebuilt in 1946, located on East Washington Avenue. The present school is paired with Bessemer City Primary School (grades K-2) located directly adjacent to Bessemer City Central.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Roofing

BESSEMER CITY HIGH SCHOOL

119 YELLOW JACKET LANE

Building Size:	133,079 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	685
Grade Level:	9-12
Year Built:	1964, '65, '66, '71 '78, '94, '09, '10
Site Size:	34.7 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$10-13M



HISTORY

Bessemer City High is a comprehensive 9-12 high school which opened in January 1964 to relieve overcrowding at Bessemer City Central School. The school is located on Yellow Jacket Lane in Bessemer City. In 1969, students from the all African American Lincoln High (currently BC Middle) and students from Tryon High were merged into Bessemer City High. The one-story school has grown with multiple additions. Smaller additions occurred in 1965, 1966, and 1971. Five major additions—a 1978 classroom wing; 2010 field house; and to accommodate the addition of the ninth grade, a 1994 classroom wing and auxiliary gym along with a 2009 cafeteria addition have expanded the school significantly.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Auditoriums
- Carpentry
- Electrical
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Other

BESSEMER CITY MIDDLE SCHOOL

525 ED WILSON ROAD

Building Size:	89,531 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	751
Grade Level:	6-8
Year Built:	1954, '79, '95, '09
Site Size:	18.3 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$5-7M



HISTORY

Bessemer City Middle was built in 1954 with several later additions and is located on Ed Wilson Road in Bessemer City. The school has a rich history traced from the Lincoln Academy for African American elementary through high school students started in 1888 in the Crowders Mountain area to the present location where in 1955 Lincoln Academy was relocated. The school then became Lincoln High and when students were merged into Bessemer City High the school became Lincoln Junior High. The school was renamed Bessemer City Junior High housing grades 7-9. In 1976 students in grades 7-9 from Tryon were added and in 1997, the school became Bessemer City Middle housing grades 6-8.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Auditoriums
- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Furniture
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Other

BESSEMER CITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

1320 NORTH 12TH STREET

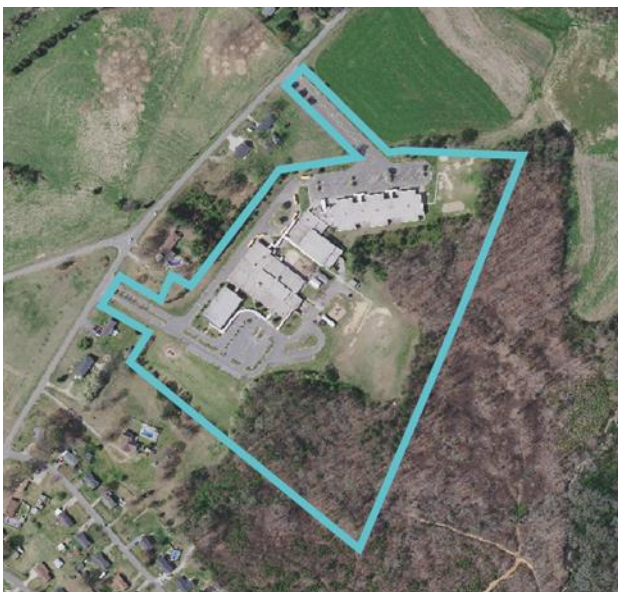
Building Size:	51,860 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	502
Grade Level:	K-2
Year Built:	1976, '08
Site Size:	27 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$2-4M



HISTORY

Bessemer City Primary houses grades K-2 and is located on North 12th Street in Bessemer City. The main school was built in 1976 with an eight classroom addition built in 2008. The school was originally constructed to relieve crowding at the old Bessemer City Central Elementary which housed grades 1-6. With the opening of Bessemer City Primary, the school was paired with Bessemer City Central and through the years both schools continue to serve grades K-5. Presently, both schools are located side-by-side, serve the same attendance area and are served by a consolidated transportation system.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Furniture
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Other

BROOKSIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

1925 AUTEN ROAD

Building Size:	63,126 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	528
Grade Level:	K-5
Year Built:	1994
Site Size:	30.5 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$4-6M



HISTORY

Brookside is a grades K-5 elementary school located on Auten Road in Gastonia. The school opened in 1994 to consolidate and house the students from Hancock Elementary which closed as a school and Warlick Elementary which was repurposed as the district's alternative school the same year.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Furniture
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing

CARR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

307 SOUTH PINE STREET

Building Size:	73,253 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	743
Grade Level:	K-5
Year Built:	1961, '89, '07, '09
Site Size:	19.6 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$4-6M



HISTORY

Carr is a grades K-5 elementary school located on South Pine Street in Dallas. It is named for longtime educator and principal of Dallas School (1930-1964), Mitchell Carr. Originally built in 1957 to relieve overcrowding at the 1920 elementary portion of the Dallas School, the new facility housed grades 1-4. With a 1961 14-classroom addition the school housed grades 1-7. In 1971, the seventh grade moved to the new W.C. Friday Junior High. Overcrowding and the addition of Kindergarten forced grades 5 and 6 back to the old Dallas Elementary from 1973-1990. The school then housed grades K-6 until the district transitioned to middle schools in 1997 and the school held grades K-5. The 1957 portion of the facility has been demolished. A 2007 eight classroom addition has helped relieve overcrowding.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Furniture
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Other

CATAWBA HEIGHTS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

101 IVEY STREET

Building Size:	47,069 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	411
Grade Level:	K-5
Year Built:	1959, '71, '05
Site Size:	12.3 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$2-4M



HISTORY

Catawba Heights is a grades K-5 elementary located on Ivey Street in Belmont. The school was constructed in 1959 in the Catawba Heights area located between Belmont and Mount Holly. The school was built to relieve overcrowding at North Belmont School. It opened before construction was complete and it originally housed grades 1-7 with grade 8 added about two years later. In 1969, seventh and eighth grades moved to junior highs in Belmont and Mount Holly. Two major additions were completed in 1971 and 2005 to accommodate overcrowding. With the district's move to middle schools, the school became a grades K-5 elementary in 1997.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Other

CHAPEL GROVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

5201 LEWIS ROAD

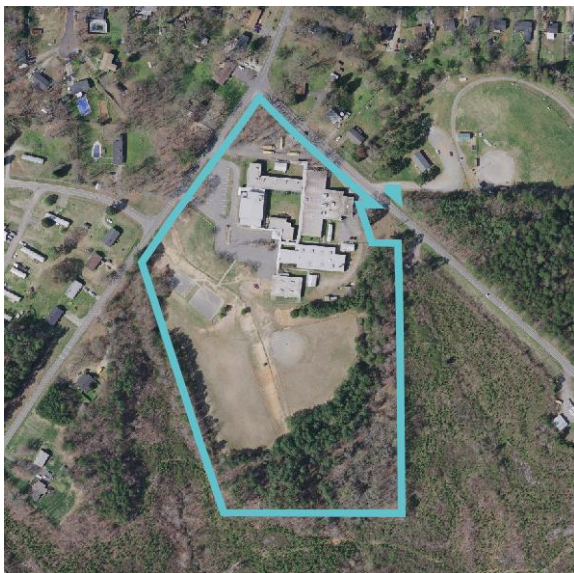
Building Size:	54,064 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	528
Grade Level:	K-5
Year Built:	1954, '62, '66, '72 '75, '87, '97
Site Size:	16.7 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$2-4M



HISTORY

Chapel Grove is a grades K-5 elementary school located on Lewis Road in Gastonia. The name was selected as the school was built on the site of Tate's Chapel Methodist Church near a grove of oak trees. It dates back to 1924 when the original building was constructed to merge Ferguson, Pisgah and Green Hill (Sparrow Springs) schools. A second merger occurred in 1954 when Baker School merged into Chapel Grove housing grades 1-8. Merger again happened in 1968 when the all African American Lincoln Academy was closed. In 1972, seventh and eighth grades moved to Southwest Junior High leaving the school grades K-6. The school became grades K-5 in 1997 when the district moved to a middle school configuration. Throughout the years, older buildings have been replaced on-site.

SITE PLAN



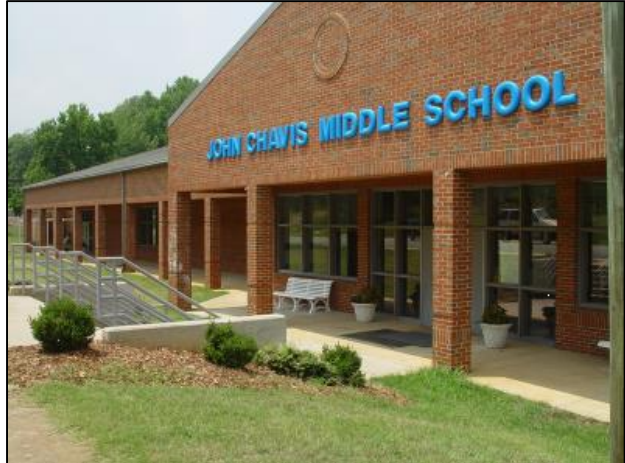
PROJECT NEEDS

- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Furniture
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Other

JOHN CHAVIS MIDDLE SCHOOL

103 SOUTH CHAVIS DRIVE

Building Size:	68,366 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	619
Grade Level:	6-8
Year Built:	1951, '54, '64, '94 '98
Site Size:	10.7 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$4-6M



HISTORY

John Chavis is a grades 6-8 middle school located on South Chavis Drive in Cherryville. The original school was John Chavis High serving African American students in grades 1-11. The school was named for John Chavis, a pre-Civil War free black educator and Presbyterian minister in the southern US. The main building burned in 1964; rebuilding was completed the same year. With the integration of Cherryville schools in 1966, the school became Cherryville South Elementary housing grades 3 and 4. In 1973, grade 3 was moved to Cherryville East Elementary, the old West School was closed and grades 5 and 6 were added to Cherryville South. As part of the district's move to grades 6-8 middle schools/9-12 high schools, in 1997 the school was reorganized and renamed John Chavis Middle housing grades 6-8.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Auditoriums
- Carpentry
- Electrical
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Other

CHERRYVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

700 EAST ACADEMY STREET

Building Size:	66,473 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	500
Grade Level:	K-3
Year Built:	1956, '63, '75, '96
Site Size:	17 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$2-4M



HISTORY

Cherryville Elementary is a K-3 school located on East Academy Street in Cherryville. The school opened in 1956 as Cherryville East Elementary housing grades 1-6. In 1966 the school housed only grades 1 and 2 and in 1973 Kindergarten and grade 3 were added. Several building projects have expanded the school and with the district's reorganization to grades 6-8 middle schools/9-12 high schools, Cherryville East became Cherryville Elementary housing grades K-5. To accommodate growth, W. Blaine Beam Intermediate School opened in 2004 housing grades 4 and 5; thus allowing Cherryville Elementary to house grades K-3.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Furniture
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Other

CHERRYVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

313 RIDGE AVENUE

Building Size:	116,354 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	707
Grade Level:	9-12
Year Built:	1965, '81
Site Size:	21.2 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$14-18M



HISTORY

Cherryville High, located on Ridge Avenue in Cherryville, opened in 1965 as a junior high school. With a major addition in 1981 the school expanded to a comprehensive junior-senior high configuration in 1982 housing grades 7-12. With the district's move to grades 6-8 middle schools/9-12 high schools, the school became a comprehensive grades 9-12 high school in 1997. The school continues to utilize Starnes Auditorium (1949) (which is also part of the current W.B. Beam Intermediate School), Nixon Gym (1956) and Rudisill Stadium (1963; completely renovated in 2013) which were facilities of the old high school located on Pink and First streets. Students from the all African American John Chavis School were merged into Cherryville High in 1966.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Auditoriums
- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Furniture
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Other

COSTNER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

353 OLD 277 LOOP ROAD

Building Size:	54,975 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	489
Grade Level:	K-5
Year Built:	1965, '74, '75, '87 '00
Site Size:	11.5 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$2-4M



HISTORY

Costner is a grades K-5 elementary school located on Old 277 Loop Road in Dallas. Land for the school can be traced to Valentine Costner and her son Peter for which the school is named. The school has been consolidated/merged at least twice—Jenkins School in 1913 and High Shoals School in 1998 (which had already merged with Harden School in 1966). The school originally taught all grades. It served grades 1-7 during the time grades 8-12 attended Dallas High. With the building of Friday Junior in 1971, Costner became a grades 1-6 school with Kindergarten added soon after. With the district's move to middle schools in 1997, the school housed grades K-5. To accommodate the merger with High Shoals in 1998-1999, building additions in 2000 were funded.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Furniture
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Other

STUART W. CRAMER HIGH SCHOOL

101 LAKEWOOD ROAD

Building Size:	282,836 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	1,326
Grade Level:	9-12
Year Built:	2013
Site Size:	100 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$ N/A



HISTORY

Stuart W. Cramer, the district's newest comprehensive high school, houses grades 9-12. It is located off Lakewood Road in Cramerton and opened in 2013 to relieve overcrowding primarily at East Gaston and South Point high schools. Funding for the school was from the 2007 local bond package. The school includes a 1,500 seat auditorium, 1,500 seat gym, with classroom space for 1,200 students and core capacities to expand to 1,500 students. Complete athletic facilities including a field house and artificial turf football/soccer field were included in the construction. The school was named for Stuart W. Cramer (1868-1940), an inventor, engineer and contributor to the success of the cotton mill industry. He is credited for the term "air conditioning" and for collaborating with James Duke in establishing Duke Power Company.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- N/A

CRAMERTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

601 CRAMER MOUNTAIN ROAD

Building Size:	103,394 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	884
Grade Level:	6-8
Year Built:	1998
Site Size:	39.2 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$3-5M



HISTORY

Cramerton is a grades 6-8 middle school located on Cramer Mountain Road in Cramerton. The present two-story school, built in 1998, is a replacement for the former school located on Eighth Avenue in Cramerton. The former school was built in 1920/1922/early 1930's/1950 and housed all grades. With the merger of the high school with Belmont and Reid schools which formed South Point High in 1969, the school housed grades K-9 until 1985 when elementary students were merged into New Hope School. The former school then became a grades 7-9 junior high. The former school's cafeteria and media center now serve as the school system's Linda I. Rader Staff Development Center.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Auditoriums
- Carpentry
- Electrical
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Other

EAST GASTON HIGH SCHOOL

1744 LANE ROAD

Building Size:	184,144 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	1,238
Grade Level:	9-12
Year Built:	1971, '94, '00, '09
Site Size:	60.1 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$13-17M



HISTORY

East Gaston is located on Lane Road in Mount Holly and is a comprehensive high school housing grades 9-12. The school opened in 1972 replacing and consolidating Mount Holly and Stanley high schools. The school has undergone multiple major building projects including two classroom wing additions, an auxiliary gym and a cafeteria expansion. Originally the school housed grades 10-12; but, with the district's shift to grades 6-8 middle schools/9-12 high schools, East Gaston was expanded and houses grades 9-12.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Auditoriums
- Carpentry
- Electrical
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Other

FORESTVIEW HIGH SCHOOL

5545 UNION ROAD

Building Size:	197,500 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	1,105
Grade Level:	9-12
Year Built:	1998
Site Size:	67.4 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$8-10M



HISTORY

Forestview is a comprehensive high school housing grades 9-12. The one-story school is located on south Union Road in Gastonia. The school opened in 1998 to relieve overcrowding primarily at Ashbrook and Hunter Huss high schools as well as serve an expanding population in the southern portion of Gastonia/Gaston County.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Auditoriums
- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Furniture
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Other

W.C. FRIDAY MIDDLE SCHOOL

1221 RATCHFORD DRIVE

Building Size:	106,032 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	729
Grade Level:	6-8
Year Built:	1970
Site Size:	50.1 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$5-7M



HISTORY

William C. Friday Middle houses grades 6-8 and is located adjacent to North Gaston High on Ratchford Road in Dallas. The school along with North Gaston High serves as a replacement for the old Dallas High where junior high students remained for several months in the fall of 1971 until W.C. Friday was completed. Grades 7-9 students moved into the new school after the first grading period of the 1971-72 school year. Grades 7-8 students from the former High Shoals School also moved to the new W.C. Friday Junior High. The school became a grades 6-8 middle school in 1997. The school is named for William Clyde Friday who was a native of Dallas and a graduate of Dallas High. He was the longest serving head of the University of North Carolina system (1956-1986).

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Auditoriums
- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Furniture
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Other

GARDNER PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

738 ARMSTRONG PARK ROAD

Building Size:	65,269 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	665
Grade Level:	K-5
Year Built:	1964, '75, '04
Site Size:	17.7 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$1-3M



HISTORY

Gardner Park is a grades K-5 elementary school located on Armstrong Park Road in Gastonia. The school was named for the neighborhood where it is located. The school was built in 1964 to relieve overcrowding at Grier School. Soon after the school opened it merged with the all African American Woodard Heights School. The original school housed grades 1-6 with Kindergarten added later. With the district's move to middle schools, the school changed to a K-5 configuration in 1997.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Other

GASTON EARLY COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL

201 HIGHWAY 321 SOUTH

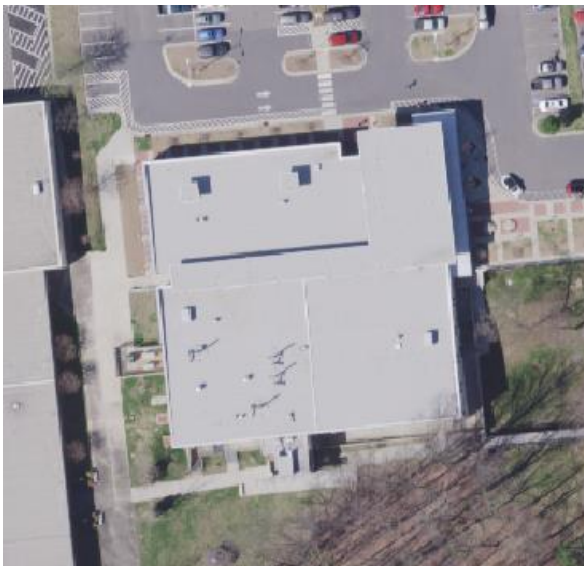
Building Size:	32,267 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	250
Grade Level:	9-13
Year Built:	2012
Site Size:	
Capital Needs:	N/A



HISTORY

Gaston Early College High is a cooperative innovative high school which is a partnership between Gaston County Schools and Gaston College. The school is located in the Lena Sue Beam building on the main Gaston College campus in Dallas. The program began at Bessemer City High in 2008 and became a separate school located at BC High in 2010. In August 2012, the school moved to the main campus of Gaston College. Students take college and high school classes simultaneously and have the opportunity to earn an associate degree in several areas. The program is entirely free with all tuition costs, fees and textbooks provided by Gaston County Schools. The target student population is first generation college students and underrepresented students in colleges.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT DETAILS

Gaston College provides and maintains the facility for the Gaston Early College High School.

W.P. GRIER MIDDLE SCHOOL

1622 EAST GARRISON BOULEVARD

Building Size:	119,215 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	954
Grade Level:	6-8
Year Built:	1955, '58, '85, '03
Site Size:	24.6 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$12-16M



HISTORY

Grier is a grades 6-8 middle school located on Garrison Boulevard in Gastonia. The original school opened in 1956 with seven buildings housing grades 1-9. Additions have enabled the school to handle curriculum and population changes over the years. The school became a junior high housing grades 7-9 in 1970. In 1996, the school housed grades 6-9 and the following year became a grades 6-8 middle school. The school is named for longtime school administrator William Pressley Grier. Mr. Grier was the superintendent of the Gastonia City Schools from 1921-1941.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Auditoriums
- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Furniture
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Other

HAWKS NEST STEAM ACADEMY

3430 ROBINWOOD ROAD

Building Size:	64,067 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	376
Grade Level:	K-5
Year Built:	2002
Site Size:	4.9 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$1-3M



HISTORY

Hawks Nest is a grades K-5 STEAM magnet school located on Robinwood Road in Gastonia. The school was originally the private Hope Lutheran School. With funding from the 2007 local bond referendum, the school was purchased in September 2008, renovated and opened as Hawks Nest Intermediate in August 2009 as a grades 4-5 school paired with Robinson Elementary (which was a grades K-3 school). Hawks Nest was designed to relieve overcrowding at Robinson and allow for future population growth in the southern part of Gastonia/Gaston County. In August 2016, the school became Hawks Nest STEAM Academy, the district's first elementary magnet school concentrating in science, technology, engineering, arts and math (STEAM).

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Electrical
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work

HIGHLAND SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY

1600 NORTH MORRIS STREET

Building Size:	125,910 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	575
Grade Level:	9-12
Year Built:	1954, '60, '98, '02
Site Size:	18.4 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$8-10M



HISTORY

The Highland School of Technology, located one block off US 321 north in Gastonia, opened in 2000 as the district's first magnet school with its student population coming from the district's other high school attendance areas. The original Highland High was Gastonia's segregated all African American high school. Highland High was constructed in 1954 and these buildings continue as part of the present Highland School of Technology. Highland High consolidated into Ashley High in 1968 and the facility became Highland Junior High until it closed in 1996. Renovations and new construction occurred and the school re-opened in 2000 as the Highland School of Technology housing grades 9-12.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Auditoriums
- Carpentry
- Electrical
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Other

HOLBROOK MIDDLE SCHOOL

418 SOUTH CHURCH STREET

Building Size:	91,859 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	774
Grade Level:	6-8
Year Built:	1945, '54, '75, '09
Site Size:	19.5 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$9-11M



HISTORY

Holbrook is a grades 6-8 middle school located on South Church Street in Lowell. Originally the school was part of Lowell School which housed all grades and was comprised of multiple buildings on the site of the present school. The present school was built as the high school portion of the Lowell Schools and in 1955 was named for longtime principal J. M. Holbrook (1924-1962). With the 1970 opening of Ashbrook High, Holbrook became a grades 7-9 junior high. This school also included junior high students from the all African American Dora Humphrey School (Lowell) and the Warlick School (Ranlo). The school transitioned to a grades 6-9 school in 1997 and a grades 6-8 middle school in 1998.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Auditoriums
- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Furniture
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Other

HUNTER HUSS HIGH SCHOOL

1518 EDGEFIELD AVENUE

Building Size:	169,569 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	1,193
Grade Level:	9-12
Year Built:	1962, '96
Site Size:	39.8 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$7-9M



HISTORY

Hunter Huss is a comprehensive high school serving grades 9-12 and located on Edgefield Avenue in Gastonia. The school opened in 1962 (before construction was complete) to accommodate population growth in Gastonia and relieve overcrowding at the city's other high school, Frank L. Ashley High. Hunter Huss is named for Cherryville native and longtime district superintendent of schools, W. Hunter Huss. As a result of the district's move to grades 6-8 middle schools/9-12 high schools, Hunter Huss received an auxiliary gym addition in 1996. In 2014 a multi-year phased renovation covering most of the school was completed using local bond funds passed in 2007. Of special note, in 2017-18, the school began a Career Technical Education focus as part of its comprehensive high school curriculum.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Auditoriums
- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
-
-
- Other

KISER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

311 EAST COLLEGE STREET

Building Size:	66,110 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	592
Grade Level:	3-5
Year Built:	1948, '50
Site Size:	11.4 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$10-12M



HISTORY

Kiser is a grades 3-5 elementary school located on East College Avenue in Stanley. The school is named for O.L. Kiser, a longtime educator and principal in Stanley. The present school was occupied in 1949 as a replacement for an early 1900's school that burned in 1946. This original school most likely housed all elementary and junior high grades. In 1966 grade eight moved to Springfield, in 1970 grade seven moved to Springfield and in 1977 Kiser became a grades 3-6 school. With the district's move to middle schools in 1997, it became a grades 3-5 school and is paired with Springfield which serves grades K-2.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Furniture
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing

LINGERFELDT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

1601 MADISON STREET

Building Size:	66,006 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	547
Grade Level:	K-5
Year Built:	1953, '57, '88, '94
Site Size:	8.1 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$2-4M



HISTORY

Lingerfeldt is a grades K-5 elementary school located on Madison Street in Gastonia. It is named for R.D. Lingerfeldt, a longtime educator and principal at the school. The original school from 1920 was named Victory School and housed grades 1-9. In 1962 the ninth grade moved to the new Hunter Huss High. The seventh and eighth grades moved to junior highs in Gastonia around 1970 leaving the school a grades 1-6 school. With the district's move to middle schools, Lingerfeldt became a grades K-5 school in 1997. Over the years the school has experienced multiple on-site building changes and additions.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Furniture
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Other

LOWELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

1500 POWER DRIVE

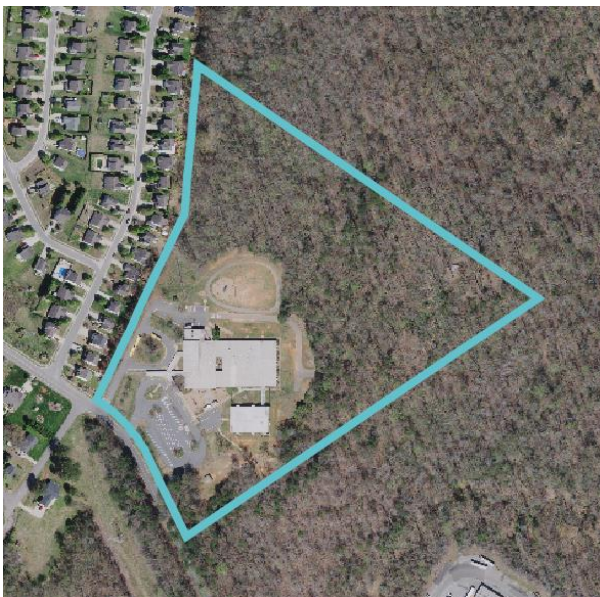
Building Size:	54,552 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	567
Grade Level:	K-5
Year Built:	1978, '04
Site Size:	22.3 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$3-5M



HISTORY

Lowell is a grades K-5 elementary school located on Power Drive in Lowell. The school was constructed in 1978 as a replacement for an aging Lowell School located on the site of the present Holbrook Middle. The school began as a K-6 school and transitioned to a grades K-5 school when the district moved to middle schools in 1997. An 8-classroom addition was built in 2004 to accommodate student population growth.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Carpentry
- Electrical
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Other

MCADENVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

275 EAST WESLEYAN DRIVE

Building Size:	38,708 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	215
Grade Level:	K-5
Year Built:	1949
Site Size:	7.9 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$4-6M



HISTORY

McAdenville is a grades K-5 elementary school located on East Wesleyan Drive in McAdenville. The school was built to relieve overcrowding at the old 6-classroom wooden structure located across the street from the present school. Selected renovations were completed at the school during 2016. Several interesting facts include the following. The school was built on land owned by the local textile mill which is now Pharr Yarns. In an agreement with the county school system, should the facility cease to function as a school, all facilities revert to the mill. Also, the school was the site of the first non-state funded kindergarten class in the area.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Carpentry
- Electrical
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Other

MOUNT HOLLY MIDDLE SCHOOL

124 SOUTH HAWTHORNE STREET

Building Size:	109,728 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	796
Grade Level:	6-8
Year Built:	1939, '50, '59, '65 '82, '96
Site Size:	15.6 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$5-7M



HISTORY

Mount Holly is a grades 6-8 middle school located on Hawthorne Street in Mount Holly. The present school is on the site of the original high school which began in 1910. The present main school building was constructed in 1965 as Mount Holly High (grades 7-12) which added to buildings from 1939, 1950 and 1959. In 1969 Rollins School, the all African American school in Mount Holly, closed and its students attended Mount Holly schools. With the opening of East Gaston High in 1972, Mount Holly High became a grades 7-9 junior high. A new gym was added in 1982 and to accommodate growth, a new classroom wing was added in 1996. The school transitioned to a grades 6-8 middle school in 1997.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Auditoriums
- Carpentry
- Electrical
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Other

NEW HOPE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

137 STOWE ROAD

Building Size:	54,561 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	528
Grade Level:	K-5
Year Built:	1955, '65, '81, '08
Site Size:	21.4 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$2-4M



HISTORY

New Hope is a grades K-5 elementary school located on Stowe Road off South New Hope Road. Originally begun at New Hope Presbyterian Church, New Hope consolidated Hand and McLean's Chapel schools and had several school locations until 1936 when the school closed. In 1955 the present school was built to accommodate population growth in this area of the county. Over the years, population has continued to grow as indicated by the three major additions to the school. With the school system's transition to middle schools, New Hope became a grades K-5 elementary school in 1997.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Carpentry
- Electrical
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Other

NORTH BELMONT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

210 SCHOOL STREET

Building Size:	54,721 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	411
Grade Level:	K-5
Year Built:	1976, '81, '98
Site Size:	7.5 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$2-4M



HISTORY

North Belmont is a grades K-5 elementary school located on School Street in Belmont. The school can trace its roots to 1924 when Goshen Grove and Hickory Grove schools merged to form North Belmont School. The present school site is the location of the original school built in 1924. Over the years the student population grew and buildings were added. The school served all grades during its early years. Older buildings were replaced on-site with additions providing the community with a one story more up-to-date school facility.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Carpentry
- Electrical
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Other

NORTH GASTON HIGH SCHOOL

1133 RATCHFORD ROAD

Building Size:	166,953 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	1,127
Grade Level:	9-12
Year Built:	1970, '96, '09
Site Size:	49.8 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$9-12M



HISTORY

North Gaston is a comprehensive high school serving grades 9-12. The school is located on Ratchford Road in Dallas and opened in 1971 as part of the overall consolidation of the old Cherryville City, Gastonia City and Gaston County school districts. Also, the school replaced an aging Dallas High School facility. With the move of the district to grades 6-8 middle schools/9-12 high schools, North Gaston received auxiliary gym and classroom wing additions in 1996 as well as a cafeteria addition in 2009.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Auditoriums
- Carpentry
- Electrical
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Other

J.B. PAGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

215 EWING DRIVE

Building Size:	46,373 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	339
Grade Level:	K-1
Year Built:	1973, '05
Site Size:	26.6 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$2-4M



HISTORY

Page is a grades K-1 primary school located on Ewing Drive in Belmont. In its second year, the school was named for longtime principal of East Belmont School, Mr. J.B. Page. The school was built to replace an aging East Belmont School and it opened in 1973. Originally, the school housed grades K-6 and transitioned to grades K-5 when the district moved to a middle school formation. To help relieve overcrowding at Page and Belmont Central, the school became a K-1 primary school paired with Belmont Central in 2003-2004. An 8-classroom addition was constructed in 2005 to also help relieve overcrowding.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Carpentry
- Electrical
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Other

PINEWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

1925 NORTH MAIN STREET

Building Size:	71,490 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	606
Grade Level:	K-5
Year Built:	1969, '05
Site Size:	28.5 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$3-5M



HISTORY

Pinewood is a grades K-5 elementary school located on North Main Street in Mount Holly. The school opened in September 1970 replacing the aging Lucia School and also to help relieve overcrowding at Mount Holly Elementary (now Ida Rankin Elementary). Alma Everhart, Lucia School Principal, is said to have selected the name Pinewood for the new school. The school housed grades 1-6 and soon added Kindergarten. With the district's move to middle schools in 1997, the school became a grades K-5 elementary school. To relieve overcrowding, a 2005 8-classroom addition was built.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Furniture
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing

PLEASANT RIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

1260 FLOYD LANE

Building Size:	132,710 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	800
Grade Level:	K-5
Year Built:	1990, '08, '17
Site Size:	13.1 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$ N/A



HISTORY

Pleasant Ridge is a K-5 elementary school located on Floyd Lane in Gastonia. The school originated in the late 1800's from the Pleasant Ridge AME Zion Church on Spencer Avenue in Gastonia which served African American students. The school moved to its present location with a new building in 1952. To accommodate increasing population, the school had multiple additions over the years. The 1952-1975 buildings have been replaced by an on-site 2017 main building. The 1990 and 2008 buildings continue to serve students as part of the new school. The 1952-1975 buildings have been removed to make room for playgrounds. Also, the school is the site for the district's Gifted and Talented Magnet program for elementary students.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- N/A

IDA RANKIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

301 WEST CENTRAL AVENUE

Building Size:	82,591 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	665
Grade Level:	K-5
Year Built:	1950, '71, '96
Site Size:	16.6 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$3-5M



HISTORY

Rankin is a grades K-5 elementary school located on West Central Avenue in Mount Holly. The school is located on the site of the original 1910 school building. Over the years, school buildings were constructed and replaced on West Central Avenue and Hawthorne Street where the present Rankin and Mount Holly Middle schools are located. With the exception of the 1950 eight classroom wing, the old Mount Holly School was replaced with the present building in 1971 and housed grades 1-6 (Kindergarten added soon after). To relieve overcrowding, a small addition was added in 1996. The school is named for longtime Mount Holly School teacher and primary supervisor (54 years), Miss Ida Alexander Rankin. With the district's move to middle schools in 1997, the school transitioned to house grades K-5.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Furniture
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Other

ROBINSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

3122 UNION ROAD

Building Size:	66,449 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	535
Grade Level:	K-5
Year Built:	1954, '58, '73, '75 '88, '98, '07
Site Size:	24.8 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$3-5M



HISTORY

Robinson is a grades K-5 elementary school located on Union Road in Gastonia. The school history dates to Tan Yard and Little Mountain schools which consolidated in 1923 to form Robinson. In 1933 Union School merged with Robinson. The school served grades 1-8; was named for the land owner where the school is located, Mr. John C. Robinson and the many Robinsons who lived in the community. Over the years, the original school was replaced and added to with on-site multiple building projects. With the district's move to junior highs in the 1970's, the school became a K-6 school and transitioned to K-5 with the district's move to middle schools in 1997. From 2009 to 2016 the school was paired with Hawks Nest and housed grades K-3. August 2016 the school returned to a grades K-5 configuration.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Carpentry
- Electrical
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Other

EDWARD D. SADLER JR. ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

3950 WEST FRANKLIN BOULEVARD

Building Size:	63,597 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	508
Grade Level:	K-5
Year Built:	2004
Site Size:	21.1 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$5-7M



HISTORY

Edward D. Sadler, Jr. Elementary School opened in 2004 as a replacement for the aging Arlington Elementary (built in 1922). The one-story school is located on West Franklin Blvd. in Gastonia and houses grades K-5. The school is named in honor of Dr. Edward D. Sadler, Jr., longtime Gaston County Schools' teacher, assistant principal, principal, assistant superintendent and superintendent.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Roofing

SHERWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

1744 DIXON BOULEVARD

Building Size:	75,922 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	743
Grade Level:	K-5
Year Built:	1969, '03
Site Size:	13 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$2-4M



HISTORY

Sherwood is a grades K-5 elementary school located on Dixon Road in Gastonia. The school opened in August 1969 for the purpose of consolidating three schools—the all African American Hoffman Road School, Armstrong School (which had burned) and the elementary grades from the overcrowded Grier School. The school housed grades 1-6 and over the years transitioned to grades K-6. With the district's move to middle schools, the school became a K-5 school in 1997. To accommodate student growth, an 8-classroom addition was added in 2003.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Carpentry
- Electrical
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Other

SOUTH POINT HIGH SCHOOL

906 SOUTH POINT ROAD

Building Size:	137,930 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	1,061
Grade Level:	9-12
Year Built:	1964, '72, '95, '99 '16
Site Size:	33.3 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$14-17M



HISTORY

South Point is a comprehensive high school housing grades 9-12 and located on South Point Road in Belmont. South Point was constructed as a replacement for an aging Belmont High and opened in 1964 (before the school was completed) as Belmont High. In 1969, Cramerton High and Reid High (Belmont's all African American school) consolidated with Belmont High to form South Point High. With the district's move to grades 6-8 middle schools/9-12 high schools, South Point received a new auxiliary gym and a new classroom wing in 1995. To further accommodate population growth, the school received classroom additions in 1999 and a new career technical education addition in 2016.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Auditoriums
- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Furniture
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Other

SOUTHWEST MIDDLE SCHOOL

NO. 1 ROADRUNNER DRIVE

Building Size:	117,154 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	906
Grade Level:	6-8
Year Built:	1971, '90
Site Size:	44.6 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$3-5M



HISTORY

Southwest is a grades 6-8 middle school located on Roadrunner Drive in Gastonia. Population growth in the southwest area of Gastonia/Gaston County and the restructuring of elementary schools in the area from grades 1-8 to grades 1-6 necessitated a new grades 7-9 junior high school for this area. The school had elements of an open classroom configuration which have presently been eliminated. A 1990 renovation and addition has helped to accommodate population growth. The school transitioned to a grades 6-8 middle school in 1997.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Auditoriums
- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Furniture
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Other

SPRINGFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

900 SOUTH MAIN STREET

Building Size:	68,250 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	536
Grade Level:	K-2
Year Built:	1976, '95, '07
Site Size:	12.3 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$3-5M



HISTORY

Springfield is a K-2 primary school located on South Main Street in Stanley. The school is paired with Kiser Elementary which serves grades 3-5. Springfield was originally started in 1889 by the Springfield Baptist Church as an all African American school. After several replacement buildings occurred over the years, Springfield, upon racial integration, became a school for eighth graders in 1966 followed by housing junior high grades 7-8 until 1972 when East Gaston High opened. Springfield then transitioned to a primary school housing grades K-2. A new main building was constructed in 1976 with additions in 1995 and 2007 to accommodate growth. The school's name is derived from the early Baptist church in the community that started the school.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Carpentry
- Electrical
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Other

STANLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL

317 HOVIS ROAD

Building Size:	136,551 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	800
Grade Level:	6-8
Year Built:	2018
Site Size:	68.4 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$ N/A



HISTORY

Stanley Middle houses grades 6-8 and is located on Hovis Road in Stanley. In 1900 an early school began on the present Stanley Middle site. This Stanley Creek Institute was established by the Methodist Conference. By 1916 the county owned the school site and a new building was constructed with additions in 1923 (high school building), 1937 (classroom wing) and 1939 (gym). Much of the school was destroyed by fire in 1947 and replaced by a new school in 1949, 1959 and 1965. This school housed grades 1-12 until 1966 when primary students moved into the 1923 high school building, elementary students were sent to Kiser and junior high students to Springfield. In 1972, grades 10-12 students were moved to the new East Gaston High; junior high moved back to the 1959/1965 building; primary students moved to Springfield and the 1923 high school building was removed. The school became a grades 6-8 middle school in 1997. The 1959/1965 building was replaced on-site with a new school in March 2018. The new two-story 1,000 student capacity school continues to house grades 6-8.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- N/A

TRYON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

2620 TRYON COURTHOUSE ROAD

Building Size:	74,759 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	626
Grade Level:	K-5
Year Built:	1940, '54, '75, '79 '98, '09
Site Size:	13.3 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$2-4M



HISTORY

Tryon is a K-5 elementary school located on Tryon Courthouse Road in Bessemer City. The original buildings on the site of the present school served as a grades 1-12 school constructed in 1921 with various additions over the years. Structures remaining from the original school are a classroom wing, the gym as well as an agricultural building and storage facility. The 1921 school began to be replaced on site with new additions in 1998 and 2009. The school has a rich history dating back as early as the mid 1700's with schools in the Lander's Chapel, St. Mark's Lutheran, Concord Methodist, Sunnyside and other smaller communities eventually being consolidated into Tryon School.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Furniture
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Other

WARLICK ACADEMY

1316 SPENCER MOUNTAIN ROAD

Building Size:	44,172 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	N/A
Grade Level:	6-12
Year Built:	1949, '76
Site Size:	6.5 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$2-4M



HISTORY

Warlick Academy is a grades 6-12 alternative middle and high school serving Gaston County. Located on Spencer Mountain Road in Ranlo, the original school was Ranlo School serving elementary and high school students. The present school was constructed in 1949 serving elementary grades with a kindergarten building added in 1976. Ranlo School was renamed to honor longtime principal, A.C. Warlick. The school's students were consolidated with the students of nearby Hancock Elementary into a newly constructed Brookside Elementary in 1994. The Church Street School (old Dallas High School), the district's alternative school, was closed in 1994 and Warlick re-opened the same year as the district's alternative school.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Auditoriums
- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Furniture
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Other

WEBB STREET SCHOOL

1623 NORTH WEBB STREET

Building Size:	49,186 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	N/A
Grade Level:	K-12
Year Built:	1949, '81, '85, '86
Site Size:	10.3 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$2-4M



HISTORY

Webb Street is a public, separate school serving Kindergarten through 12th grade students with cognitive impairments. Students may attend the school until they turn 22 years of age and may attain a Certificate of Attendance upon graduation. The school opened in 1949 as Arlington Elementary School and two years later became Minnie Lee Peedin Elementary School serving grades 1-6. Miss Peedin was a first grade teacher and the elementary supervisor from 1912-1950. Arlington Junior High was located next door; when it was converted to an elementary, Peedin became a primary school paired with Arlington. In 1985 it closed, was renovated and reopened in 1986 as the current Webb Street School.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Auditoriums
- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Furniture
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Other

WOODHILL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

1027 WOODHILL DRIVE

Building Size:	65,530 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	587
Grade Level:	K-5
Year Built:	1967
Site Size:	15.8 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$1-3M



HISTORY

Woodhill is a K-5 elementary school located on Woodhill Drive in Gastonia. Woodhill's floor plan served as a model (with some modifications) for Belmont Central, Pinewood, and Sherwood schools which were built in 1969-1970 as part of the new consolidated Gaston County Schools. Opened in August 1968, Woodhill was constructed to consolidate and replace two aging facilities—Highland Elementary (an all African American school) and East Elementary (a predominately white school). The newly opened school also housed the school system's hearing impaired program formerly known as the Oral School. Of special note, Woodhill was chosen to open one of eight state-funded pilot kindergarten programs. The program opened on December 1, 1969. The school received renovations in 2010.

SITE PLAN



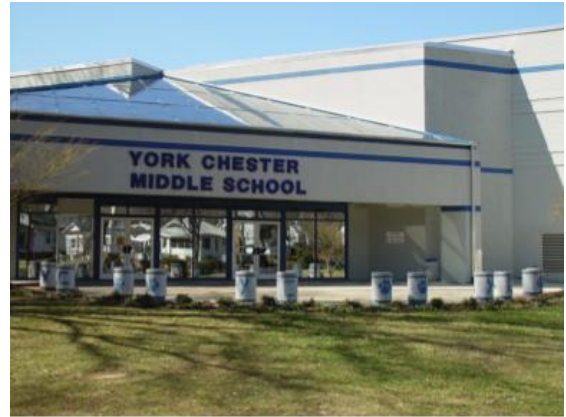
PROJECT NEEDS

- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Furniture
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Roofing

YORK CHESTER MIDDLE SCHOOL

601 SOUTH CLAY STREET

Building Size:	84,723 Sq.Ft.
Capacity:	530
Grade Level:	6-8
Year Built:	1939, '50
Site Size:	3.7 Acres
Capital Needs:	\$6-8M



HISTORY

York Chester is a grades 6-8 middle school located on Clay Street in Gastonia. The school opened in 1939 as Gastonia Junior High and in 1956 the name was changed to Wray Junior High honoring longtime Gastonia City Superintendent Joe S. Wray. The school housed grades 7 and 8 initially and then grades 7-9. In 1970, when nearby Ashley High was changed to a junior high, Wray became Clay Street Elementary housing grades K-6. The school closed in the mid 1980's to be renovated back to a junior high and reopened in 1987 as York Chester Junior High housing grades 7-9. The newly renovated school was named for the neighborhood where it is located. The school transitioned to a middle school with grades 6-8 in 1997.

SITE PLAN



PROJECT NEEDS

- Auditoriums
- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Furniture
- HVAC
- Life Safety
- Paving/Site Work
- Plumbing
- Other