



# HCS NEWS

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## From Groundbreaking to Skyward Bound: Eastman Construction Reaches Vertical Phase

The Halifax County School District is pleased to announce that the ongoing school construction project has officially progressed to the Vertical phase. Following the successful completion of the Demolition phase, the next phase in the rebuilding of Eastman focuses on the actual construction of the new school building.

The Vertical phase is a critical stage in the construction process, focusing on the structural development of the new building. Currently, the construction team is erecting the framework, which includes installing steel beams, concrete floors, and walls. This structural work is shaping the overall design and layout of the building.

The need for a new school arose due to aging facilities, and long bus rides for students in the western part of Halifax County. The process for rebuilding Eastman began in 2018 when the Board of Education outlined the vision for a consolidated school. HCS received the 2021 NC DPI Needs-Based Public School Capital Fund along with matching funds from the County. The ground was broken for construction in December 2022. Demolition of the existing building was completed in May 2024 followed by the Underground & Foundations and Vertical phases. Following the Vertical phase, attention will shift to interior and exterior finishes.

“The Vertical phase brings us a step closer to bringing our vision of the state of the art learning facility to life. HCS is committed to ensuring our students have the resources and spaces they deserve. Together, we are building more than just a new school; we are shaping a brighter future for our children and our community.” said Superintendent, Dr. Eric Cunningham.

The community can stay updated on the progress of the rebuilding process by following the Halifax County Schools on social media and by visiting the district website on the “Rebuilding Eastman” tab.



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