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HCS Secures 100% Funding for New PreK-8 School Project

Halifax County Schools to Proceed with New PreK-8 School Project Following Funding Approval



Halifax County Schools is delighted to announce significant progress towards the realization of its vision for a state-of-the-art educational facility, thanks to recent funding approvals. Following the remarkable news of securing 100% funding for the new PreK-8 School Project, the school district is now moving forward with confidence, buoyed by the endorsement and support received.

On March 19, 2024, Senator Bobby Hanig presented a check for \$11,269,752 to

Superintendent Dr. Eric Cunningham, the Halifax County Board of Education, and Mr. Vernon Bryant, County Commissioner, signifying a critical milestone in this transformative endeavor. This funding injection, sourced from Supplemental Need-Based Grant Funds, underscores a collective commitment to advancing educational infrastructure in Halifax County.

In a subsequent development, Halifax County commissioners, in a unanimous decision, approved matching funds of \$563,479, addressing a deficit identified in the project's financial blueprint. This collaborative effort effectively bridges the gap between the state grant allocation and the total project cost, enabling Halifax County Schools to proceed with confidence and clarity.

The school system's journey towards this momentous occasion dates back to 2017, marked by meticulous planning and unwavering determination. Superintendent Dr. Eric Cunningham expressed his enthusiasm: "The securing of 100% funding for our new PreK-8 School Project marks a monumental achievement for Halifax County Schools. This state-of-the-art facility will provide our students with enhanced learning opportunities and serve as a testament to our community's dedication to education".



With asbestos abatement completed and a renewed sense of purpose, Halifax County Schools is poised to embark on the next phase of this transformative initiative. The approval of matching funds signifies not just a financial endorsement but a symbol of belief in the power of education to shape Halifax County's future. With this pivotal milestone achieved, Halifax County Schools eagerly anticipates the commencement of construction and the dawn of a new era in educational excellence.