



Construction Update

News from Orange County Public Schools

Millions saved as building projects close-out

The Facilities Services Department of Orange County Public School tabulated the total cost of nine recent construction projects and the budget savings totaled more than \$9 million. The work included relief schools, portable replacement projects and comprehensive renovations. The budget savings at close-out were in addition to \$140 million trimmed from construction estimates identified in last



September's Capital Outlay Budget approved by the school board.

"We are constantly in the pursuit of saving construction dollars without impacting the

quality of our educational facilities and programs," said Superintendent Ronald Blocker. "We are taking a very close look at all expenses to determine where we can save money and

return the savings to the capital program."

"Through the budget re-evaluation process we have been able to fine tune the costs of our building program," said

Chief Facilities Officer Bob Proie. "Whatever savings we can squeeze out of a project without impacting the quality of the classrooms and school facilities, provides additional money to build more quality classrooms in the future. The savings so far on these projects would be enough to create an additional 25 permanent classrooms or about half of a brand new elementary school!"

Project	Board Approval Date	Budget	Cost at Completion	Project Savings
Sunset Park ES	10/9/2007	\$15,078,801	\$14,983,003	\$95,798
Apopka ES PRP	11/13/2007	\$5,586,485	\$5,042,810	\$543,675
Bonneville ES Comp	11/13/2007	\$14,429,418	\$14,237,379	\$192,039
Wolf Lake MS	12/11/2007	\$30,567,302	\$28,713,724	\$1,853,579
Avalon Center for Technical Excellence	12/11/2007	\$18,227,159	\$15,829,069	\$2,398,090
Stonewall Jackson MS Comp	12/11/2007	\$20,981,214	\$20,566,326	\$414,888
Chickasaw ES PRP	1/8/2008	\$5,733,981	\$5,238,795	\$495,186
Riverside ES PRP	1/8/2008	\$6,850,436	\$5,631,112	\$1,219,324
Audubon Park ES Relief	1/8/2008	\$18,458,074	\$16,620,401	\$1,837,673
Total Savings		\$135,912,870	\$126,862,619	\$9,050,252