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School Board Work Session Highlights

March 16, 2017 - The Orange County School Board held a work session this evening to hear an update on the \$3 billion, 10-year Facilities capital program.

These are the highlights:

- All of the schools targeted in the district's Unitary Status Agreement will be complete by fall 2018.
- A "curb appeal" program in Fall 2017 will target the exterior look of 21 schools.
- The Real Estate department has been banking land for future school sites. The number of sites acquired or reserved before 2016 was 19. By the end of 2017, 38 sites will have been reserved, purchased or under contract, with a focus on high-growth areas.
- Facilities has 37 relief, replacement or comprehensive renovation projects under Planning, Design or Construction with a budget of just under \$1 billion:

That includes nine elementary schools, one PS8, three middle schools, one high school and one ancillary facility opening in 2017 with combined budgets of \$446.7 million: Timber Springs MS, Laureate Park ES, Innovation Park MS, Site 84-E-W-4 (MetroWest area), OCPS Academic Center for Excellence, Windermere HS, Carver MS, Engelwood ES, Oak Hill ES, Rock Lake ES, Mollie Ray ES, Ivey Lane ES, Meadow Woods ES, Ventura ES and Northwest Bus Compound, Phase 2. (The first six schools on the list are new schools).

An additional nine elementary schools, two K-8s and one ancillary facility will open in 2018 with combined budgets of \$298.7 million: Site 133-K8-E-6, Cypress Park/Durrance ES, Lake Como/Kaley K8, Hillcrest ES, Union Park ES, Pine Hills ES, Frangus ES, Maxey ES, Hungerford ES, Hidden Oaks ES, Dover Shores ES and the Pine Hills Transportation Center.

For fall 2019, six elementary schools, one K-8, two middle schools and one ESE facility are planned, with a combined \$217 million budget

- The district plans to spend \$240.8 million through FY 2019-20 on capital renewal projects on systems within existing schools.
- The board also endorsed a plan to accelerate the replacement of the auditoriums at Boone and Colonial high schools to 2019 and the gymnasium at Boone High School to 2021. The projects at the two schools have a total budget of \$47.6 million. A group of functional equity projects at eight middle schools are set to begin planning in FY 2019.

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