



Savannah-Chatham County Public School System



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Did You Know?

An **E-SPLOST** is a Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) for education. It is a one-cent sales tax on all retail purchases. This means that everyone who visits Chatham county contributes to the support of local schools, not just homeowners. By law, an E-SPLOST can only be used for certain capital projects, such as buildings, renovations, athletic fields, technology, security upgrades and school buses. These funds cannot be used for the day-to-day operational expenses of a school district.

- **DATA USE:** Using data to determine projects, SCCPSS has successfully managed three ESPLOST continuations in Chatham County: ESPLOST I, ESPLOST II and ESPLOST III.
- **STEWARDSHIP OF MONIES:** More than \$138 million dollars of bond debt has been paid off using ESPLOST funds! This action has improved the District's financial position by eliminating previously incurred debt. Without ESPLOST the District would need to issue bonds to pay for capital improvements.
- **IMPROVED SCHOOL SETTING:** New schools, renovations, HVAC and roofing improvements, safety, and technology upgrades have all been funded by ESPLOST.



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An E-IV referendum will be included on the November 2, 2021, ballot. This is not a new sales tax, rather a continuation of the existing penny sales tax.



E-IV Project Highlights

DATA DRIVEN: The SCCPSS ESPLOST IV projects were identified through an extensive process that analyzed the physical condition of school and district facilities. A **FACILITY CONDITION ASSESSMENT (FCA)** was used to guide the needs of the district and ultimately determine the cost to replace, improve, or repair.



Using data to guide our decision-making process helps us to continually improve the educational landscape in Chatham County.

Some of the E-IV Project Highlights include:



New/Replacement School: Windsor Forest High School



Additions and Modifications: Pooler Elementary, Bloomingdale Elementary, Godley Station K-8, E-Learning Centers, Jacob G. Smith



New Construction/Upgrades: Bartlett STEM K-8, Windsor Forest Elementary School, Maintenance/Transportation Facility, Campus Police Facilities, Physical Education/Athletic Facilities, Fire Alarms, Alarm Upgrades, HVAC and more!

See the full E-IV Project List online as resolved by the Board of Education on January 13, 2021.

