

# School Board of the City of Richmond

Monday June, 19, 2006

6:00 p.m.

**Update on the 15 Schools for  
the City of the Future Plan**

# City of the Future (COF) - Schools

- **April 3, 2006 - City of Future Introduced**
- \$200M Total Allocation for Schools
- \$180M Elem/Middle/High Schools
- \$18M Specialized High Schools
- \$2M Arthur Ashe Center
- Subsequent Budget Reductions:
  - \$1.7M in FY07 and \$900K in FY08

# City Admin Plan - City of the Future

- April 18, 2006 COF Launch Committee Established
- Charter Committee Established
- Communications Committee Established
- Organizational Readiness Committee Established – focused on RPS
- Construction Program Management RFP
  - Issue date anticipated June 30, 2006
  - 45 days for vendors to respond / Evaluation
  - Contract award anticipated October 1, 2006

# School Board Response

- Multiple Data Sources Analyzed
  - Review / Analysis 2002 Master Facilities Plan
  - ADA Settlement Agreement/Trice Report
  - Enrollment Projections
  - Instructional Directives/Plans/Initiatives
  - FAMIS operational costs / Cap. Budget Costs
  - Rezoning Task Force Information

# School Board's Response

- RPS needs new Facilities & Fewer Facilities:
  - Continue to streamline operating costs; thereby, reducing per pupil costs, per Mayor's FY07 Budget stance and Mayor's Education Advisory Committee recommendations
  - Build new, state-of-the-art schools
  - Explore thematic school concepts that have proven successful in other districts

# School Board's Overall Goal

- **All proposed School Closure recommendations are linked to:**
- **(1) new building construction**
- **(2) major renovations**
- **(3) rezoning attendance boundaries**
- **No schools to close without the actual building of new schools**

# COF Launch Committee Directives

- **Timeline for New School Construction**
  - School Board, City Council, Mayor agree on rank order of school construction projects
  - RPS Educational Specifications developed from late June, 2006 – September, 2006
  - School Construction A&E Design Work from October/November 2006 through June/July 2007
  - 1<sup>st</sup> School Construction Ground Breaking anticipated July/August 2007

# City Council Directives for Schools

- City Council Ordinance #2006-82-155
- Deals with School Board's resolution to participate fully in and cooperate fully with any commission established by Council to address potential closing of underused school buildings

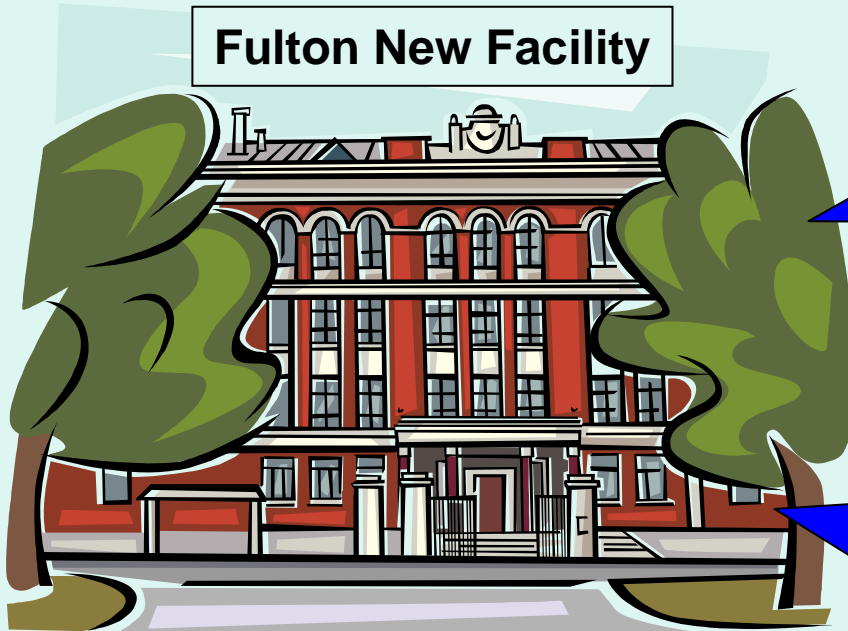
# City Council Directives for Schools

- City Council Ordinance #2006-82-122
- States that no expenditure or encumbrance of funds appropriated for “City of the Future” Projects shall be made unless Council approves by ordinance the specific facility to be constructed or renovated

# **Recommendations to the Mayor, City Council, & the Commission**

# Fulton Elementary / K-8

- Elementary School to be built in Fulton area – Possible K-8
  - All the students from Bellevue and some from Chimborazo would be affected
  - Bellevue would be closed



# Maymont

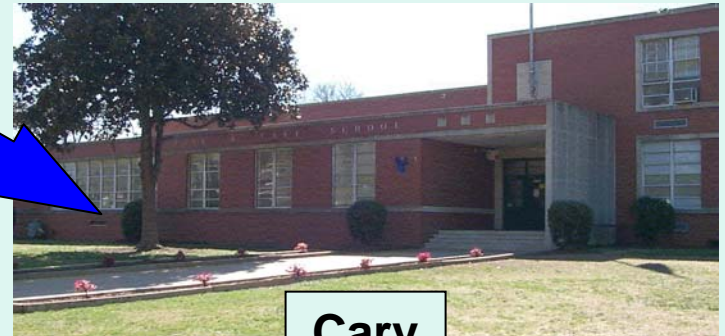
- Maymont would be closed
  - Rezone those students between Cary and Clark Springs



Maymont



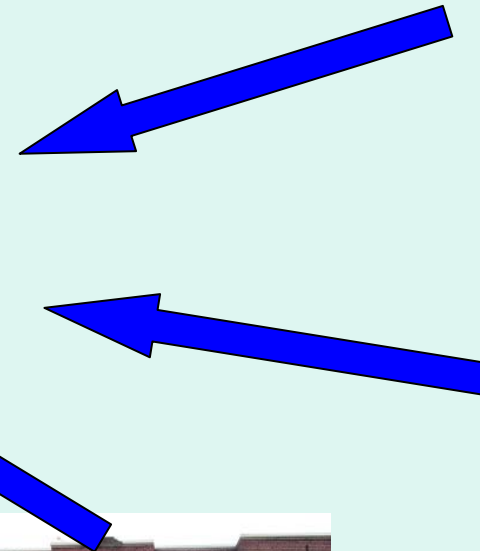
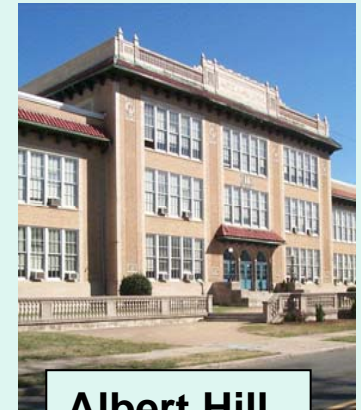
Clark Springs



Cary

# New Middle School - Maymont Site

- Build new Middle School on Maymont Site – will require major redevelopment - street closure
- Close Albert Hill and Binford as Middle Schools, sending those students to the new facility
- Real School students also may be attending this school



# Open and Community at Hill

- Albert Hill will be renovated
  - Open HS and Community HS will be housed in the renovated school
  - Open HS and Community HS would be closed



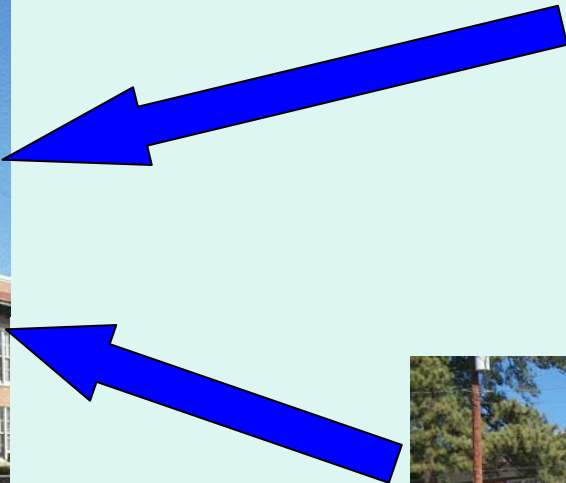
Albert Hill



Open

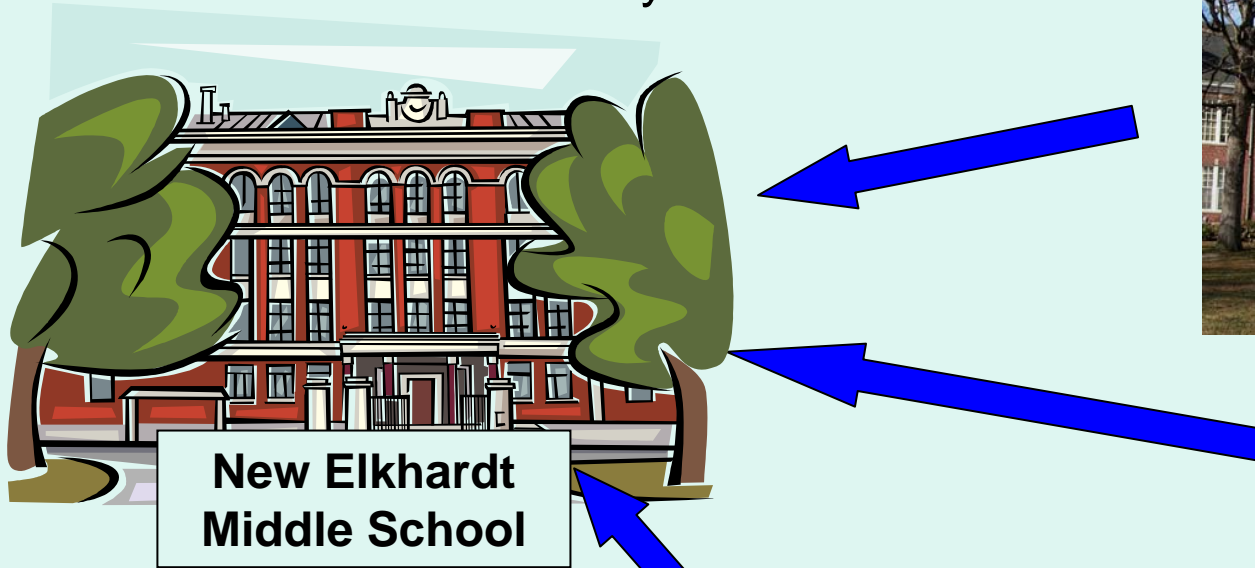


Community



# New Middle / Elkhardt Site

- Build new Middle School on Elkhardt Site
- Replace Elkhardt and send those students with some students from Brown and Boushall to the new facility



Elkhardt



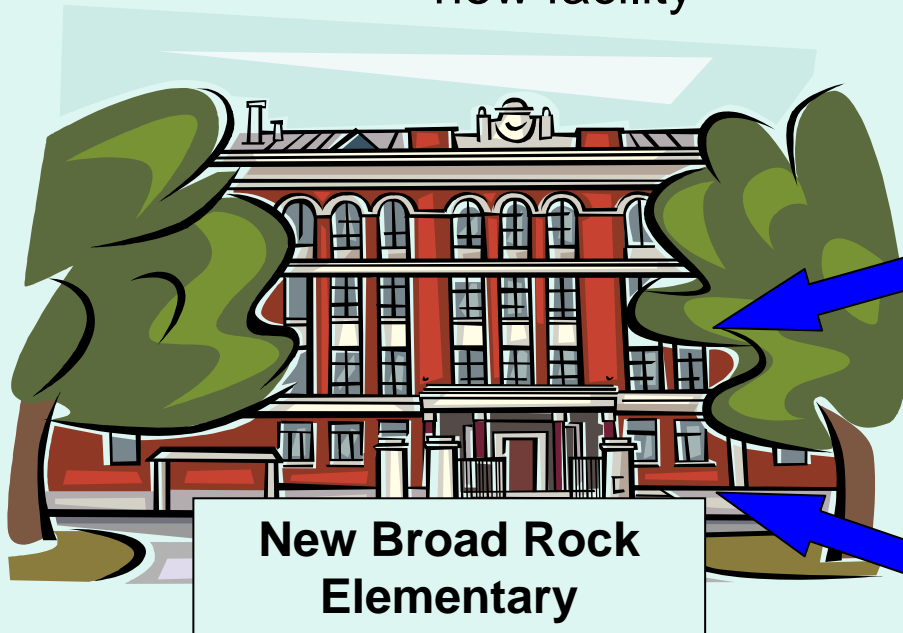
Brown



Boushall

# New Broad Rock Elementary

- Build new elementary school on Broad Rock Site
  - Replace Broad Rock and close Summer Hill and have those students attend the new facility



**New Broad Rock Elementary**



**Broad Rock**



**Summer Hill**

# New Greene Elementary

- Build new elementary school on Greene Site
  - Replace Greene and close Francis and have those students attend the new facility



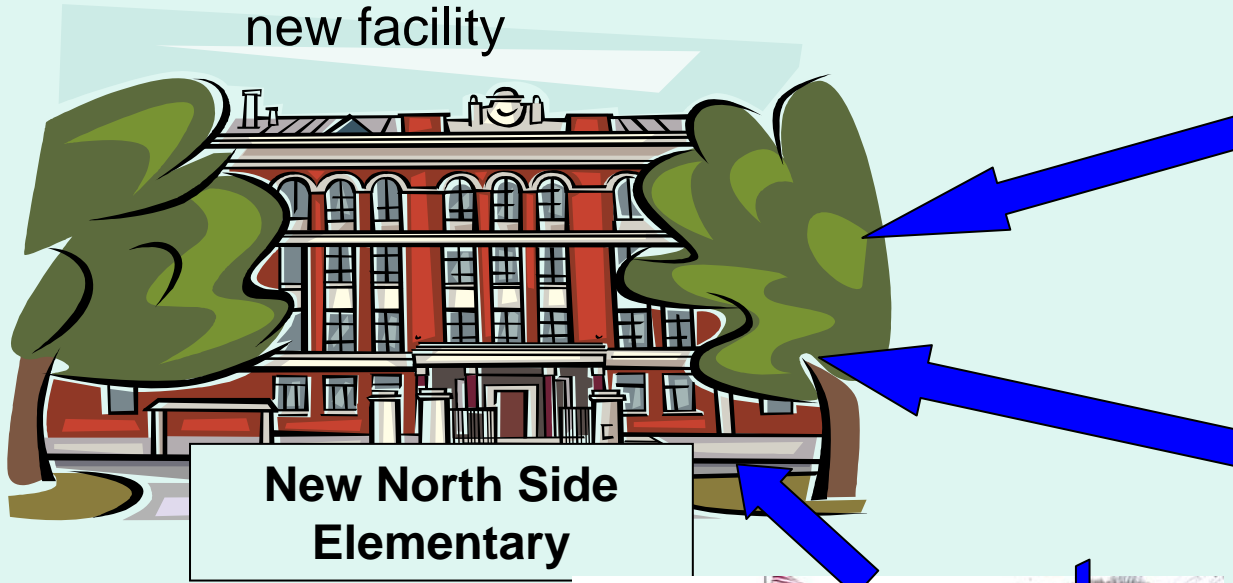
**Greene**



**Francis**

# New North Side Elementary

- Build new elementary school on Overby-Sheppard Site – will require major changes in the area
  - Close Stuart & Norrell and replace Overby-Sheppard and have those students attend the new facility



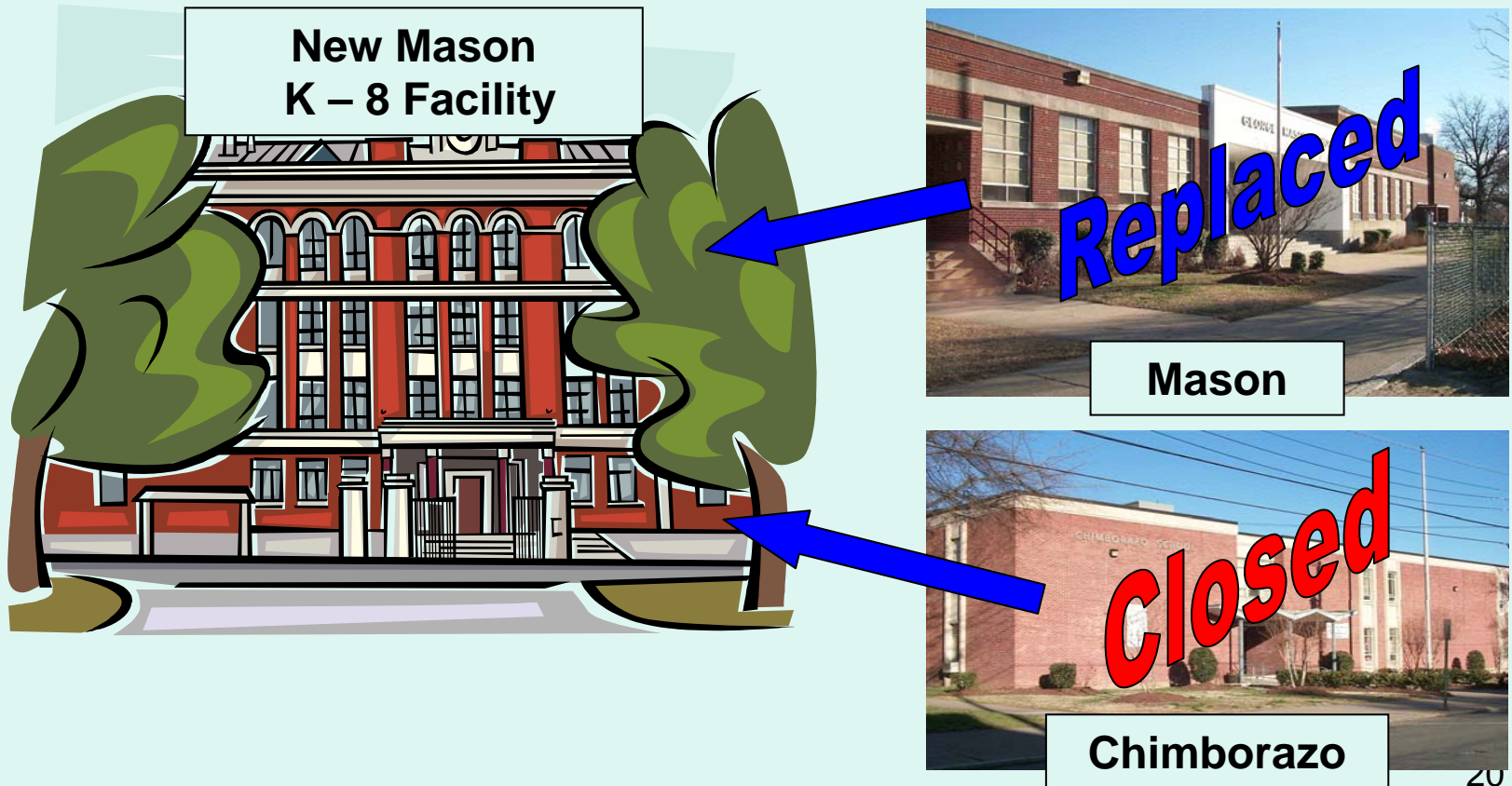
# M.L.King, Jr. K-8

- Renovate Martin Luther King Jr. to accommodate K-8 grade levels



# New George Mason K-8

- Build new K-8 school on George Mason Site
  - Replace Mason and close Chimborazo and have those students attend the new facility



# New Woodville K-8

- Build new K-8 school on Woodville Site
  - Replace Woodville and close Fairfield and have those students attend the new facility



# Holton Addition

- Build an addition onto Holton to accommodate students from Thirteen Acres School
- Close Thirteen Acres



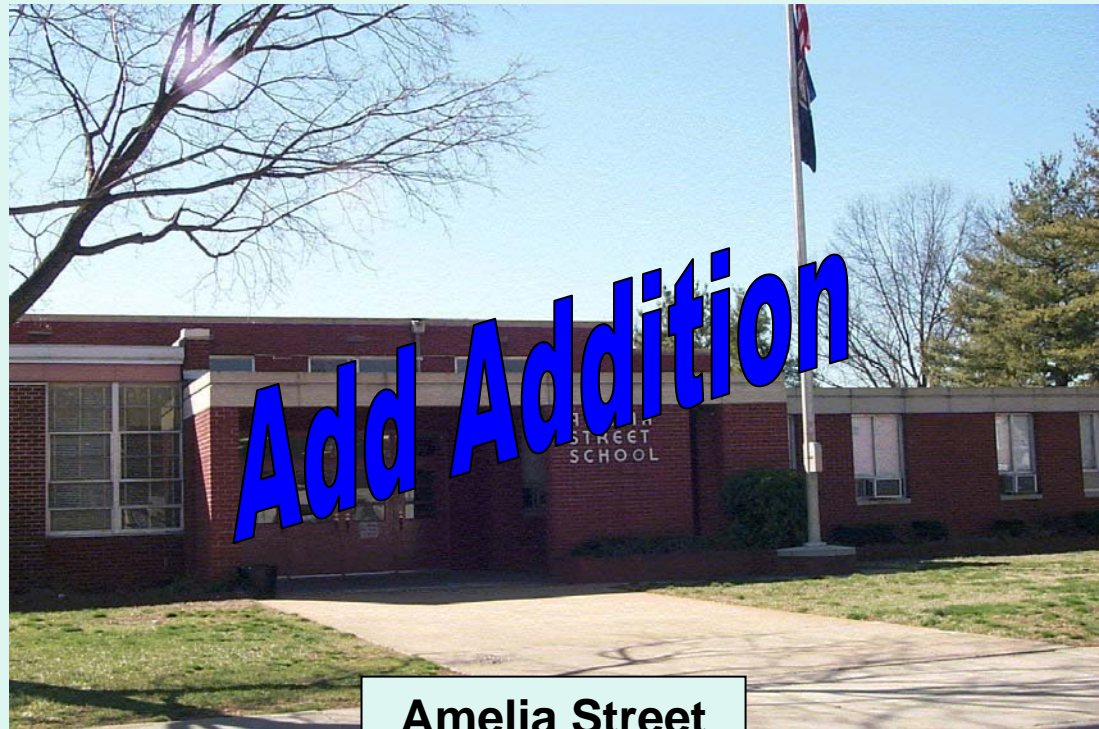
Holton



Thirteen Acres

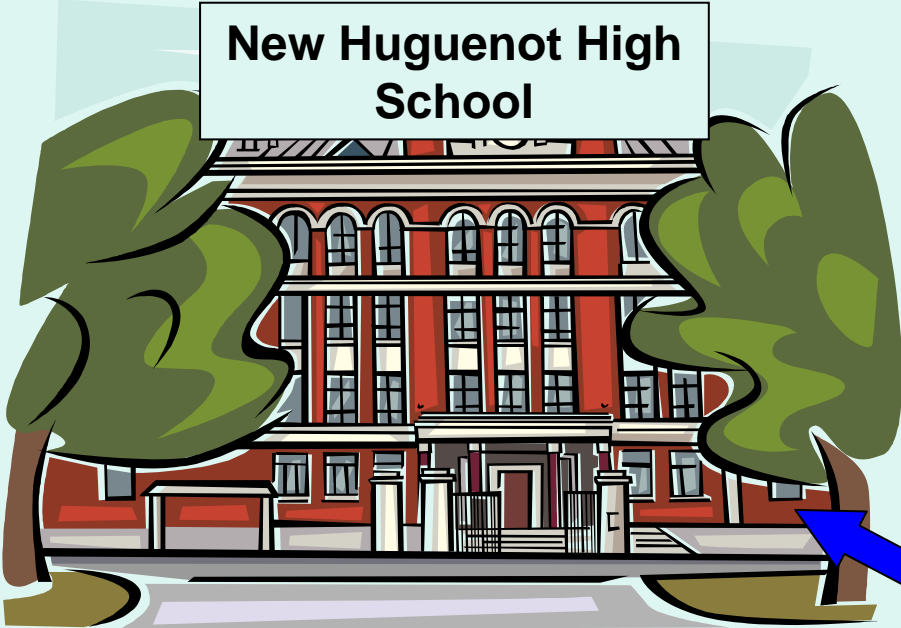
# Amelia Addition

- Build an addition onto Amelia Street to accommodate possible inclusion of VPI program



# New Huguenot High School

- Build a new Huguenot High School on site



Huguenot

# Oak Grove Renovations

- Major renovation to Oak Grove to accommodate Bellemeade programs
  - Close Bellemeade



Oak Grove



Bellemeade

# New Swansboro Elementary

- Build new Swansboro Elementary on site



**Replaced**

Swansboro

# Summary

- In 2002, the district had a plan, but no \$\$
- In 2004, the district consolidated both high schools and middle schools
- In 2006, the district is closing elementary schools
- Board's Committee has evaluated and analyzed multiple sets of data & information, including the 2002 Master Plan

# Summary

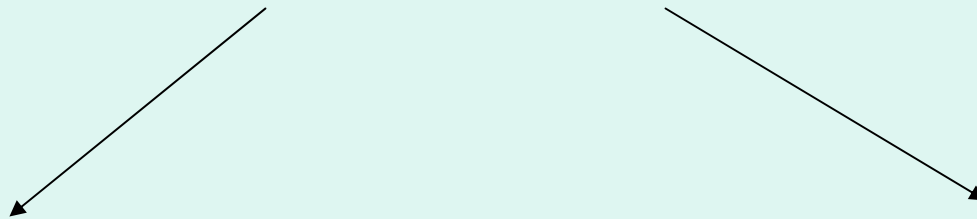
- Recommendations seek to address the various School Board goals and objectives
- **No schools are to be closed until several events occur:**
- 1) Clear direction is received from City Council regarding COF
- 2) Sequence is fully established regarding new construction & major renovation

# Summary

- 3) School Board hears feedback from the school community
- 4) School Board actually votes on the best plan

# Next Steps

- City Council & Mayor need to assist the School Board in determining the right path.



**School Closure Commission**

**City of the Future**

- **Public Hearings will need to be held at some point in the future**
- **School Administration plans to continue to work with the Mayor and City Administrative officials and apprise the Board accordingly**