



# SMART INVESTMENTS LEAD TO SMART STUDENTS.

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### SMART Facilities Update

## SMART by the Numbers



**\$950 MILLION+**  
PROJECTS IN PROGRESS  
OR COMPLETE



**1,512**  
SCHOOL FACILITIES  
PROJECTS IN PROGRESS



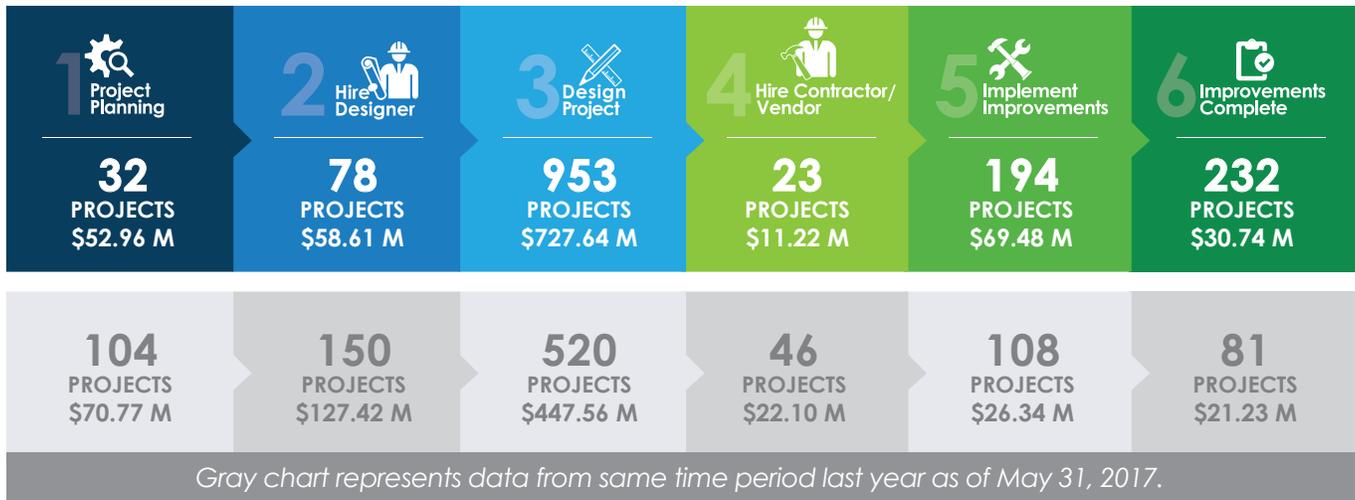
**170**  
SCHOOL CHOICE ENHANCEMENT  
PROJECTS UNDERWAY OR COMPLETE

To ensure project completion with the utmost efficiency and integrity, each SMART facilities project typically goes through a six-phase process, as illustrated in the chart below. The phased process is a progression from planning to reality...from design to implementation. The largest portion of SMART projects involve renovations and upgrades to building systems that are integral to every day school operation. These projects may be less visible to the public. For example, many SMART renovation projects include replacing roofing and HVAC systems which can drastically improve indoor air quality, but the work is done above ceilings, on roofs and generally out of public sight.

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Data as of May 31, 2018.



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## SMART Highlights

- ▶ 953 projects worth \$727.64 million are in the design phase (83 percent increase from 520 projects last year).
- ▶ 194 projects worth \$69.48 million are in the implementation phase (79 percent increase from 108 projects last year).
- ▶ 232 projects worth \$30.74 million are completed (186 percent increase from 81 projects last year).

Over half of the SMART facilities projects have already reached the design phase, representing an **increase of 83 percent from 520 to 953 projects over the same time period last year**. Many of these projects are completing the design phase and are about to transition into the implementation phases. Work in the design phase is critical to the SMART process because it supports the District's commitment to delivering quality results. Of the **953 schools in the design phase, 395 have completed 90% or more of the design phase work**. The next step is hiring the vendor/contractor in preparation for the implementation phase. Many of the projects in the design phase are scheduled to begin implementation during this coming school year.

## Single Point of Entry Update

Since our last SMART Update, 59 more schools have completed their Single Point of Entry (SPE) projects. SPE represents physical improvements to school facilities to augment and enhance overall school safeguards by limiting visitor access to a school through one entrance point during school hours. Physical SPE features can include perimeter fencing, new doors or gates and other security features that fit the unique design of each school.

Below is the breakdown of SPE projects (as of June 30, 2018):

- ▶ 135 schools now have SPE projects that are complete and/or meet District standards, including 59 schools completed since the last SMART Update.
- ▶ 26 schools have SPE projects in the implementation process.
- ▶ 2 schools are in the process of hiring a vendor.
- ▶ 75 schools are well underway in the design process. This is a significant reduction from 138 schools in the design phase as of the last SMART Update, as projects move forward toward implementation and completion.

The District has allocated \$26 million for the SPE projects Districtwide, all of which will be completed by the end of 2018 or prior to the end of the first quarter of 2019.

In addition to SPE projects, the overall safety component of the SMART program includes fire sprinklers, fire alarms and emergency exit signage/lighting improvements at schools.



Bright Horizons Center



Olsen Middle School



Miramar High School





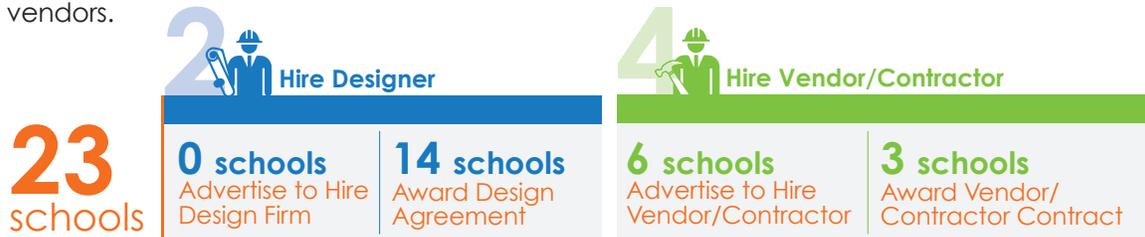
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## Celebrating SMART Milestones

In April and May of this year, 23 District schools reached one of four key milestones in the SMART process. The four key milestones include:

1. School Board directs staff to begin the selection process for a design team (phase 2).
2. The contract between the District and the design team is approved by the School Board.
3. School Board directs staff to begin the selection process for a contractor/vendor (phase 4).
4. The contract between the District and the contractor/vendor is approved by the School Board.

As illustrated in the chart below, during April 2018 and May 2018, 14 projects received School Board approval to move into the design phase. This is a crucial part of the overall process where the design firm prepares architectural and/or engineering drawings/plans needed for the vendor/contractor to implement improvements. An additional six projects were approved to advertise for bids from vendors, since their drawings are finalized and approved. Another three projects were given approval to hire the winning vendors.



To view a list of schools that recently received School Board approval for a SMART-related project, visit [browardschools.com/facilitiesboardmilestones](http://browardschools.com/facilitiesboardmilestones). For specific details relating to the project scope and budget for SMART facilities projects at each school, visit [browardschools.com/smartfutures](http://browardschools.com/smartfutures).

## School Choice Enhancement Program (SCEP) Highlight - Digital Marquees are Lighting Up Campuses

New marquee signs are lighting up campuses across the District, thanks to SCEP funds from the SMART Program. These marquees help schools share important information on everything from school events, achievements, recognitions and more. Many school communities have voted to receive new marquees as part of their SCEP projects.

Congratulations to the following 16 schools that have completed their marquee installations:

- ▶ Annabel C. Perry Pre-K - 8 (District 1)
- ▶ Atlantic West Elementary School (District 7)
- ▶ Castle Hill Elementary School (District 5)
- ▶ Dave Thomas Education Center (District 7)
- ▶ Griffin Elementary School (District 6)
- ▶ Liberty Elementary School (District 7)
- ▶ New River Middle School (District 3)
- ▶ Northeast High School (District 3)
- ▶ Orange Brook Elementary School (District 1)
- ▶ Park Lakes Elementary School (District 5)
- ▶ Sea Castle Elementary School (District 2)
- ▶ Sheridan Hills Elementary School (District 1)
- ▶ Stranahan High School (District 3)
- ▶ Tamarac Elementary School (District 4)
- ▶ West Hollywood Elementary School (District 1)
- ▶ Whiddon-Rogers Education Center (District 3)





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## SCEP Highlight - Coconut Creek Elementary School Celebrates Its New Playground

Coconut Creek Elementary School students were excited as they took their first ride down a slide on the school's new playground. The school unveiled its new playground equipment during a ribbon cutting ceremony on April 30, 2018. The Coconut Creek school community voted to use the school's SCEP allocation to fund the new playground, as well as purchase 38 new televisions for the school to help enhance students' learning experiences.



## What's Happening This Summer

Schools may be out for summer break, but a lot of SMART work is underway across the District. Here are some highlights:

- ▶ McNicol Middle School (District 1) – Improvements to the music room building envelope, fire sprinklers and the HVAC system are underway this summer, and will continue during the school year.
- ▶ Coconut Creek Elementary School (District 7) – Work is underway to update the school's media center with new carpet, furniture, cabinets in the work rooms and a new welcome desk.
- ▶ Cypress Elementary School (District 3) – Renovations to the bathrooms and media center are underway and will be completed before the end of this calendar year.
- ▶ Eagle Ridge Elementary School (District 4) – Primary renovations including HVAC improvements and a new fire alarm system will take place over the summer through the beginning of next year.
- ▶ Indian Ridge Middle School (District 6) – HVAC improvements and music and art room improvements are underway.
- ▶ Lauderdale Lakes Middle School (District 5) – Renovations to the fire alarm system, fire sprinklers, media center improvements and roof repairs will continue through the school year.
- ▶ Manatee Bay Elementary School (District 6) – Renovations to the roof, HVAC system and exterior painting are well underway with the work expected to be completed before the end of this calendar year.

The list of projects underway will continue to grow as schools receive approval to enter the implementation phase and work begins in the coming months.



Cypress Elementary School



Eagle Ridge Elementary School



Manatee Bay Elementary School



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## Bond Oversight Committee

The SMART Program had quite a few accomplishments to share with the Bond Oversight Committee in May 2018. All technology equipment projects for District schools are complete with 83,362 devices delivered improving the average student-to-computer ratio to 2:1. The technology projects came in at a total of more than \$10 million under budget, as well. For charter schools, more than 11,300 devices have been delivered, putting this segment of technology projects ahead of schedule. All music instruments and equipment have been ordered with more than 4,000 items delivered in the first quarter of 2018. For the art program, a total of 50 kilns have been ordered so far, with nearly 70 percent delivered. In the athletics portion of SMART projects, 12 of the 15 school tracks are complete with only three left to be completed by the end of 2018, and 12 of the 30 weight room improvements have been completed with the remainder expected by the end of this year. Safety projects have been accelerated so that all Single Point of Entry (SPE) projects will be completed by the end of 2018 or the beginning of 2019.

All BCPS schools have at least one SMART project in progress. Projects in the design phase increased 29 percent during the first quarter of 2018. School Choice Enhancement Projects (SCEP) continue to progress with 170 projects initiated or underway and 745 items completed or delivered so far.

The latest SMART Quarterly Progress Report was presented to the Bond Oversight Committee on May 21, 2018. To access all of the SMART Quarterly Progress Reports and check on the status of ongoing SMART (Safety, Music & Art, Athletics, Renovations and Technology) projects, visit, [browardschools.com/smarffutures](http://browardschools.com/smarffutures).



## SMART Shout Out!

### Indian Ridge Middle School Gets a Makeover

If you drive by Indian Ridge Middle School, you will notice that the school is in the process of getting a fresh coat of paint on the exterior walls. Additionally, demolition of the existing roof is complete with the installation of the new roof in progress and expected to be finished in time for the start of the new school year. HVAC, music room and art room improvements are also underway this summer. Indian Ridge Middle School is scheduled to wrap up all of its renovations during the winter break.

As part of the SMART School Choice Enhancement Program (SCEP), which allocates \$100,000 to each school for capital-related projects to improve the condition of instructional and educational spaces, the Indian Ridge school community decided to focus on additional technology improvements. The school received 121 laptops and 26 printers, which will support and enhance the educational experience for students and teachers. New outdoor furniture was also purchased with the school's SCEP funds.



Students utilizing new laptops



Construction improvements in progress



New mural in the media center

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