



WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION Work Session

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SUBJECT/TOPIC

START-UP DESIGN STATUS

DEPARTMENT, BOARD/STAFF LIAISON(S), AND ANY PRESENTERS FROM OUTSIDE THE DISTRICT

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BACKGROUND

In September 2011, the Board approved a plan for \$130M in CIP 2006 funding and savings.

This plan included the designs of Abbotts Creek (E20), H7 and H8. In August 2010 Scotts Ridge (E32) was approved by the board and design started, but put on hold when priorities changed to finding a 9th Grade Center solution for the western part of the county. In addition to the current prototypes being used for Richland Creek Elementary and West Apex High, staff is advertising RFQs for selection of architects for new elementary, middle, and high school designs. A site would need to be designated for an elementary school by March 2013 in order to open by 2015. A middle school site is needed by February 2013 and a high school site is needed by November 2012 in order to open either by 2016. Construction funding would have to come from a new bond. Schedules for a standard and a compressed project are attached.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Funding is not committed or required during the selection process. There is \$4.2M of start-up design funds undesignated. A design costs approximately \$2.4M for a high school, \$1.5M for a middle school and \$.8M for an elementary school.

NEXT STEPS / RECOMMENDATIONS

No action required at this time. Staff will continue designs for Abbotts Creek Elementary and Scotts Ridge Elementary, select architects for new designs, and request funding reallocations in November for designs of H7 and H8. Staff will recommend future school sites by February to allocate remaining start-up design dollars.

