



# Board to Board

June 5, 2024



## **Social Media Class Action Lawsuit**

- We have unanimously decided to join a class action lawsuit against major social media platforms like Instagram, Facebook, TikTok, and Snapchat.
- Our concerns come down to the addictive nature and deceptive practices of these platforms, which have led to severe mental health issues among our students, including anxiety, depression, eating disorders, and suicidal thoughts.
- While our participation in this lawsuit aims to recover resources spent on mental health care and hold these companies accountable. Our broader goal is to push for changes that will better protect our children.



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## *School District Lawsuits Against Social Media Companies Are Piling Up*

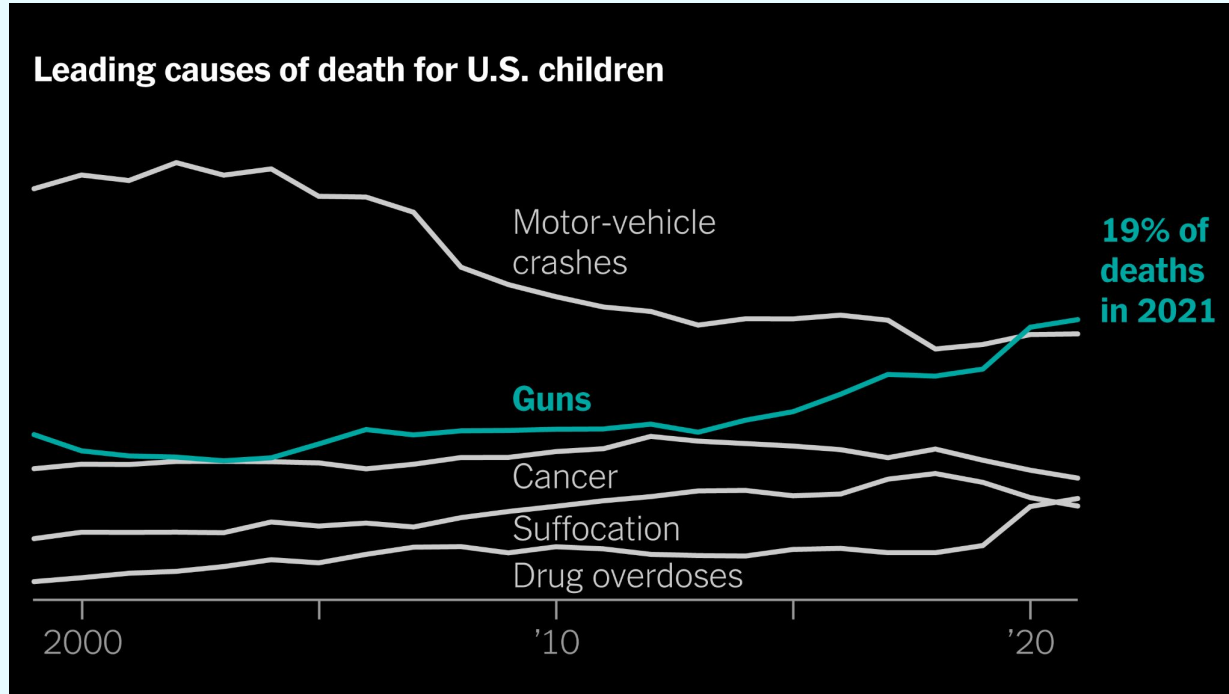


# Safe Gun Storage

- We also recently approved a resolution on safe firearm storage, addressing both mental and physical health in our community.
- This resolution aligns with Virginia House Bill No. 498 and federal initiatives promoting firearm safety.
- The board directed the superintendent to draft a resolution emphasizing safe firearm storage. He subsequently directed staff to send a letter to families stressing the importance of secure firearm storage.



- Over four million children in America living with unsecured, loaded firearms.
- Gun violence is the leading cause of death among children in the U.S.



[Leading causes of death: New York Times](#)

# New Reading Curriculum

- Finally, we have approved a new reading curriculum for kindergarten through 5th-grade students, to be implemented in the 2024-25 school year.
- The program, HMH Into Reading Virginia, was chosen by an adoption committee of over 60 members, including teachers, administrators, and parents, for its inclusiveness and effectiveness.





## Get Started

### In this lesson, students discuss:

- how the people in our school and where we live are part of our community.
- that a community is full of people with different feelings, thoughts, beliefs, and backgrounds, which can strengthen the community.
- that every person deserves respect, compassion, and to be treated fairly.

### Tools for Explore and Practice:

- **Journal !!!** Students write or draw about ideas, thoughts, and feelings they have in the lesson.
- **Chat About !!!** Students check in and talk about ideas, thoughts, and feelings with a partner or as a group.

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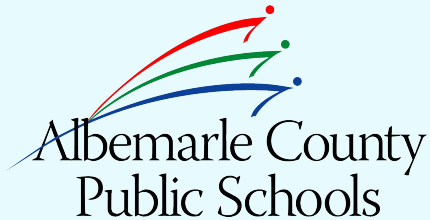
Explore

Practice

Reflect

- We will introduce the new curriculum to our educators this spring and provide ongoing professional development through the summer and the 2024-25 school year.
- This curriculum aims to address ongoing achievement gaps highlighted by our most recent Standards of Learning tests.

# High School Center II & Southern Feeder Pattern ES Project Updates





## High School Center II



## High School Center II *Will...*

1. Serve 400 students per day; expandable to 600 students
  2. Be 60,000 sf and 2 stories, expandable to 90,000 sf
  3. Be adaptable to varied student cohorts and future learning
- ...and redesign the high school experience.*



## Lambs Lane Campus Context







## Campus Entry – Central Hydraulic Road





**Main Entry – From Parking Lot**



**Commons - Facing Main Entry**





**Southern Feeder Pattern Elementary School**

**V M D O**

# Southern Feeder Pattern ES

- 500-Student Elementary School
- ~72,500 SF Facility
- Grades 3-5 (Grades PK-2 will remain at existing Mountain View ES)





New Southern Feeder Elementary Aerial View





**CAR DROP-OFF ZONE**

**VMDO**





**MAIN ENTRY LOBBY**



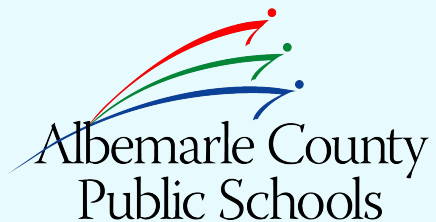


**DOUBLE CLASSROOM**

# Project Schedules (Both Schools)

- **Notice To Proceed:** August 2023
- **Schematic Design:** September 2023 – January 2024
- **Design Development:** January – April 2024
- **Construction Documents:** April – September 2024
- **Bidding & Negotiations:** September – December 2024
- **Construction:** December 2024 – July 2026
- **Opening:** August 2026

# Sustainability Updates





# Advisory Committee for Environmental Sustainability (ACES)

ACES provides guidance & develops goals for ACPS in alignment with Albemarle County's Climate Action Plan (CAP). Goals fall within the following sectors:

- Transportation & Land Use
- Buildings & Renewable Energy
- Sustainable Materials Management
- Landscape, Natural Resources, & Agriculture

ACES also determined that an additional sector, Curriculum Integration of Climate Action was necessary to educate students about climate change and sustainability.



**ACES Goals  
align with  
sectors of the  
County's  
Climate Action  
Plan**

**CAP Sectors**

**ACPS Goals**

Transportation & Land Use	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Electric Buses</li><li>● Workplace EV Chargers</li><li>● Electric Fleet Vehicles</li></ul>
Buildings & Renewable Energy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Energy Efficient Upgrades to Buildings</li><li>● Net-zero ready new schools</li><li>● Solar on School Buildings</li></ul>
Sustainable Materials Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Recycling &amp; Composting</li><li>● Waste Reduction</li><li>● Purchase Supplies with Recycled Content</li></ul>
Landscape, Natural Resources, & Agriculture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● School Gardens</li><li>● Conservation Mowing</li><li>● Preservation of Wooded Areas</li></ul>
Curriculum Integration of Climate Action	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Sustainability Liaisons</li><li>● Climate Action Kits from C3</li><li>● Solar Energy Education</li></ul>





# Dashboards

Can be found on ACPS Building Services Website

Existing Dashboards:

- Buildings Energy
- Buildings Water
- Buildings GHG Emissions

Planned Dashboards:

- Realtime Solar
- Composting
- Transportation miles, fuel use, & GHG emissions

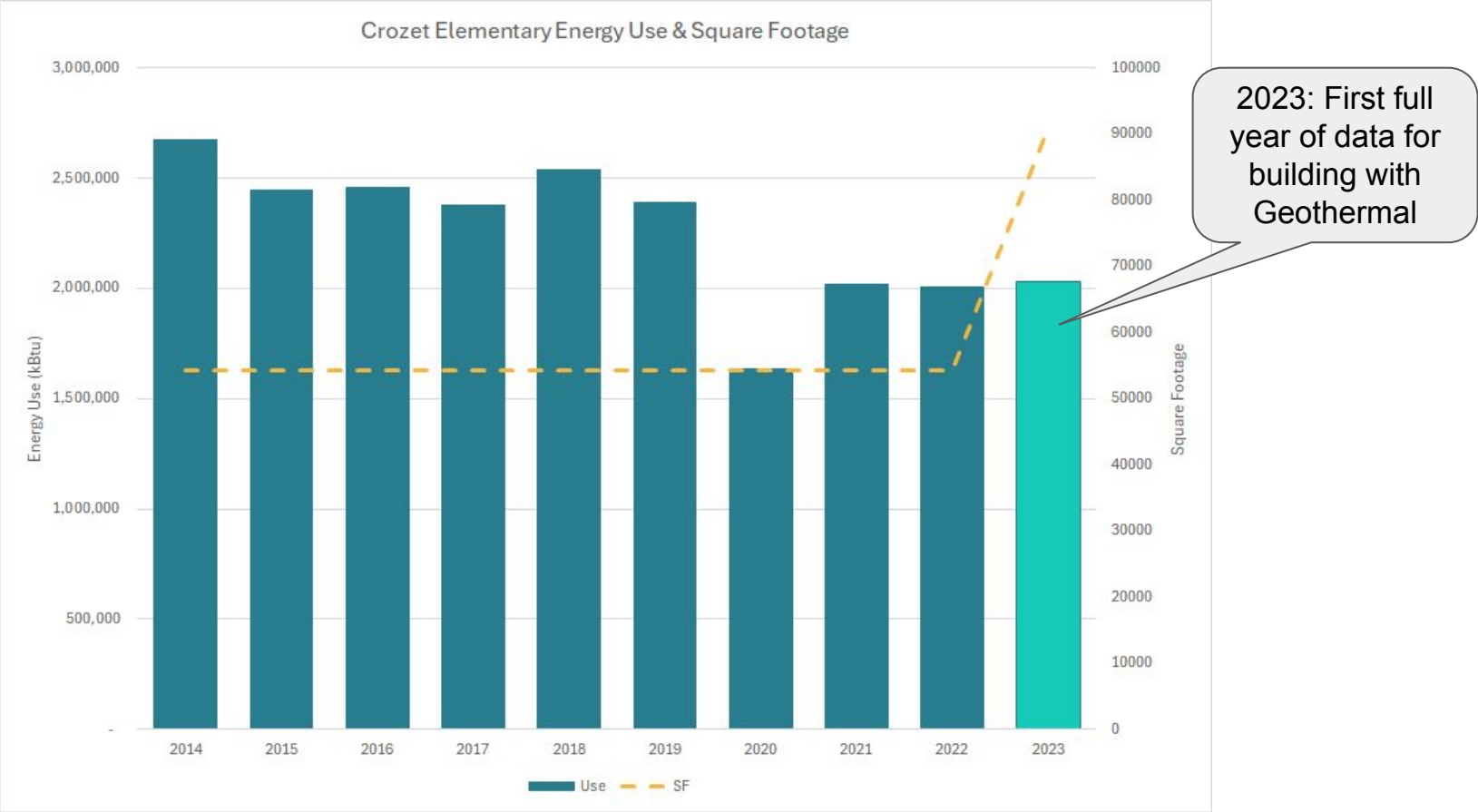


# Recent Example - Crozet Geothermal

- Sixty 550' Geothermal Wells
- ~30,000 SF Classroom Addition
- Converted ~1/2 of Existing Building to Geothermal



# Crozet Geothermal - Energy Usage





# High Performance Building Act (HB2001)

- State Law enacted in 2021
- Requires all new public buildings to be:
  - Designed, constructed, verified, and operated in compliance with a high-performance building certification program (i.e. LEED)
  - Have EV charging infrastructure
  - Include features that measure energy consumption and associated carbon emissions.



# Sustainable Construction Policy (Policy FEBCA)

- Overhauled existing energy efficient construction policy.
- Incorporated requirements from VA High Performance Building Act
- Sets goals for all new buildings including:
  - LEED Silver or Better
  - Net-Zero Ready
  - Electric Only (No onsite fossil fuel combustion)





An aerial architectural rendering of a modern, multi-story building complex. The building has a mix of orange, grey, and white exterior walls. It features a large central courtyard with trees and a paved walkway. The building is surrounded by lush greenery and trees. Several callout boxes with white backgrounds and blue text are overlaid on the image, highlighting various sustainable features. The overall scene is bright and clear, suggesting a sunny day.

**Solar Panel Ready**

**Roof Overhangs  
Shade Building**

**Daylighting  
Clerestories**

**Stormwater  
Bio-retention**

**Enhanced Building  
Insulation**

**Native  
Landscaping**

**Bicycle  
Infrastructure**

**Geothermal  
Heating &  
Cooling System**

**Electric Vehicle  
Charging**

**LEED Silver  
Certification**



# Other Notable Sustainability Features

- Abundant Daylight & Views to Nature
- Operable Windows
- Recycling + Composting Program
- Demand-control Ventilation (fresh air)
- Low-flow Plumbing Fixtures





# Questions?