



# Board-to-Board

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*A monthly report from the Albemarle County School Board to the Albemarle County Board of Supervisors*

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**Woodbrook Addition:** In September the School Board approved architect RRMM's schematic design for a 16-classroom addition planned for Woodbrook Elementary School, and last month the School Board voted to allow RRMM to begin creating more detailed plans for the addition. Simultaneously, schools staff has also begun negotiations with four architecture firms, including RRMM, to design the first phase of the learning spaces modernization project.

These two projects represent key elements of the recent bond referendum. The total cost for Woodbrook, including learning space modernization, is projected to be approximately \$15.2 million. The projects will go to market in April 2017, and construction is expected to begin in June 2017.

*Charlottesville Tomorrow Coverage:* <https://goo.gl/k8xYBK>

**Early Childhood Learning:** The Every Student Succeeds Act, which is new federal education legislation that in 2018 will replace No Child Left Behind (or the Elementary and Secondary Education Act), provides states and local school divisions more opportunities to invest education dollars in early childhood learning. As Virginia develops its state education plan to comply with new federal regulations, the Virginia Early Childhood Foundation is convening early childhood stakeholders from around the Commonwealth to collect input for inclusion. Because of the collaborative approach Albemarle County Public Schools is taking to expand pre-K access (in partnership with Charlottesville City Schools and the United Way) ACPS was invited to share valuable lessons learned at the local level up to the state.

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