BUILDING OUR CHILDREN’S FUTURE:
WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THE E-SPLOST VOTE ON MAY 24, 2016
EVENT/MEETING DATE
WHY E-SPLOST?
WHAT IS E-SPLOST?

Education Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (E-SPLOST)

- A significant funding source for capital improvements (e.g. new construction, facility improvements, technology upgrades, etc.) which can ONLY be used for educational purposes
- A one penny consumption tax funded by anyone buying goods in the county, regardless of where they live
- Must be approved by DeKalb County voters, and has been continuously approved since its inception in 1997
- The E-SPLOST will expire on June 30, 2017, unless it is continued by the voters of DeKalb County on May 24, 2016
DCSD E-SPLOST PROGRAM HISTORY

- **1997-2002: ($415 million)** Constructed ten new schools; added multi-purpose buildings at each elementary school; modified existing facilities

- **2002-2007: ($457 million)** Constructed 11 new schools; made modifications across the District including major renovations of ten middle/high schools

- **2007-2012: ($489 million)** Replaced one high school; provided 12 major renovations/additions, and 140 minor renovations

- **2012-2017: (est. $492 million)** Replaced seven elementary schools and two middle/high schools; provided five major renovations/additions; made stadium improvements, technology upgrades, school bus purchases, and capital renewal of many facilities
In 2015, the Building S.P.A.C.E.S. Team conducted a Comprehensive Facility Assessment of the District’s 140+ sites. This assessment evaluated capacity, facility condition, and educational suitability. The assessment identified over $2 billion in capital improvement needs and upgrades. On February 1, 2016, the Board of Education approved a $500 million capital program to be funded by E-SPLOST during 2017-2022, if the referendum is approved by the voters on May 24, 2016.
## 2017-2022 E-SPLOST PROJECT FUNDING ALLOCATIONS

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- Improving school safety and security
- Enhancing surveillance systems (cameras, etc.)
- Upgrading or replacing fire alarm and sprinkler systems
- Installing perimeter fencing and security vestibules
REFERENDUM FOCUS #2:
NEW FACILITIES AND ADDITIONS ($230 MILLION)
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Current and future overcrowding concerns to be addressed by:
- School capacity additions
- New and/or replacement schools (due to aged facilities, overcrowding, and/or expanded program needs)

Process and Selection Criteria:
- Results from the Secondary School Feasibility and Planning Study (Summer 2016 completion) and projected facility utilization will guide the expending of these funds
- Facility assessment data will guide the list of facilities that may require replacement
REFERENDUM FOCUS #3:
FACILITY CONDITION IMPROVEMENTS ($100 MILLION)
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- Replacement of aged building systems (Capital Renewal Program):
  - Roofing
  - Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC)
  - Electrical
  - Plumbing
  - Kitchen

- Additional facility condition improvements and upgrades to the following:
  - Restrooms
  - Building code requirements, including ADA accessibility
  - Athletic fields and play spaces
  - Parking lots and other paved surfaces
REFERENDUM FOCUS #4:
TECHNOLOGY ENHANCEMENTS ($65 MILLION)
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- Technology purchases and upgrades:
  - Digital communication technology
  - Enhanced school security solutions
  - Wireless technology
  - Technology hardware, software, and related infrastructure
  - Enterprise content management solutions
- Data storage systems, telecommunication systems, digital records retention
- Replacement and/or enhancement of technology/systems in support of an Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) upgrade
REFERENDUM FOCUS #5: BUSES, SUPPORT VEHICLES, AND OTHER CAPITAL EQUIPMENT ($40 MILLION)
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- Replace and/or supplement school buses and support vehicles

- Replace capital equipment to enhance instruction and increase operational efficiency, including:
  - School furniture
  - Band equipment
  - Kitchen equipment
  - Waste compactors
  - Custodial equipment
  - Grounds equipment
Secondary School Facility Planning and Feasibility Study
(March – June 2016)
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QUESTIONS?

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