

Traffic and Pending Traffic Solutions

- Funded an onsite traffic study for Winding Waters K8 to look at methods to modify existing site as well as the classroom additions.
- The Florida Department of Transportation and the Hernando County School District (HCSD) and team will review the results of the study and make recommendations.
- Weeki Wachee High School has modified their pickup lines by obtaining a temporary code variance for their bus loop. Traffic has improved.
- HCSD staff is working with developers of the property adjacent to EK8. The developers have agreed to provide additional car stacking prior to construction and development. Awaiting a revised drawing from the developer for approval.
- HCSD has purchased additional property adjacent to Westside Elementary School to help alleviate traffic issues. A Masterplan showing the approximate location of the pickup line is completed.

Funds Needed for Traffic Solutions

- Capital Funds for Design and Construction of new pickup line at Westside Elementary School.
- Traffic Studies at Chocachatti Elementary School, JD Floyd Elementary School and other problem sites as identified.
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Transportation

• 2021-2022 Transportation budget -->	\$ 9,276,010.82
• Projected* Categorical State Funding -->	\$ 5,363,153.00

The remaining \$3,912,857.82 must come from our General Fund.

In the past five years:

7 buses were purchased using Impact fees - \$755,975.00 (2019)

24 buses were purchased using Capital Funds - \$2,292,138.00

Total of 31 buses for \$3,048,113.00

School Capacity

- Older vested subdivisions and infill in current subdivisions are an unknown impact as are construction of homes on individual lots outside of subdivisions.
- Our calculations for capacity only include current subdivisions and a small percentage of two known major developments which could generate up to 2,600 additional students. Only the first phases are being submitted for approval at this time.
- We will possibly have adequate capacity only if we use the existing over 100 portables and concretables, most of which are at their end of life.
- Without counting portables, we are over capacity at many schools and have a crisis. We will be re-districting next year and are preparing.
- Our Calculations show Winding Waters K8 is expected to be 281 students over capacity. We are constructing a 12 Classroom Addition. The cost including design fees is expected to approach or exceed \$3,000,000.
- We are constructing 8 additional Small Classrooms at Westside Elementary School, Brooksville Elementary School, and Suncoast Elementary School. Removing portables from the Capacity Count at these schools show they are in need of additional capacity. The cost for these additions are estimated to be \$2,400,000 including design fees.
- In addition to the costs of building classrooms, cafeterias and other infrastructure like holding areas for drop off and pick up lines will need to be expanded, which can easily add \$1,000,000 to the cost.
- Numerous subdivisions are on the horizon (applied for rezoning) and have not reached the point of Conditional Plat, which will have significant impacts on our schools.

Impact Fees are needed to help fund the growth and expansion of the Hernando County School District to ensure our schools meet the educational needs of our community for student success.

When students succeed, we all succeed.