



Crown HS (New)

(P651909)

Category	Montgomery County Public Schools	Date Last Modified	05/19/26
SubCategory	Individual Schools	Administering Agency	Public Schools
Planning Area	Gaithersburg and Vicinity	Status	Under Construction

EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000s)

Cost Elements	Total	Thru FY25	Est FY26	Total 6 Years	FY 27	FY 28	FY 29	FY 30	FY 31	FY 32	Beyond 6 Years
Planning, Design and Supervision	6,306	5,827	479	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Site Improvements and Utilities	9,577	5,176	4,401	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Construction	199,069	42,759	24,375	131,935	69,500	62,435	-	-	-	-	-
Other	4,300	-	4,300	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	219,252	53,762	33,555	131,935	69,500	62,435	-	-	-	-	-

FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000s)

Funding Source	Total	Thru FY25	Est FY26	Total 6 Years	FY 27	FY 28	FY 29	FY 30	FY 31	FY 32	Beyond 6 Years
G.O. Bond Premium	12,388	12,388	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
G.O. Bonds	99,415	4,525	33,555	61,335	22,621	38,714	-	-	-	-	-
Schools Impact Tax	9,168	9,168	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
State Aid	98,281	27,681	-	70,600	46,879	23,721	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDING SOURCES	219,252	53,762	33,555	131,935	69,500	62,435	-	-	-	-	-

APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA (\$000s)

Appropriation FY 27 Request	-	Year First Appropriation	FY20
Appropriation FY 28 Request	-	Last FY's Cost Estimate	219,252
Cumulative Appropriation	219,252		
Expenditure / Encumbrances	-		
Unencumbered Balance	219,252		

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

High schools in the mid-county region had experienced sustained overutilization for more than a decade. Therefore, the Board of Education's requested FY 2019-2024 Capital Improvements Program (CIP) included funding for a new high school on the Crown site in the City of Gaithersburg to address capacity needs in the region. Due to fiscal constraints, the County Council approved multiple one-year delays to the project during prior CIP cycles. During the County Council's review of the FY 2019-2024 Amended CIP, language was included indicating the Council's expectation that the new school would relieve overcrowding at Quince Orchard and Richard Montgomery high schools.

Planning funds were approved beginning in FY 2020, followed by subsequent appropriations for construction and additional funding to

address significant escalation in construction costs and impacts to the construction industry resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic. As part of the FY 2025-2030 CIP, the Board of Education approved a phased construction approach in order to maintain the project schedule and address budget constraints. Phase I included construction of the core facility and auditorium shell, while Phase II includes completion of the auditorium interior, shelled classroom spaces, and stadium turf. An FY 2026 appropriation of \$20 million was approved to complete Phase II work.

On March 26, 2026, the Board of Education approved a boundary study recommendation to relocate Thomas S. Wootton High School to the Crown farm site upon completion of construction. The relocation will provide a comprehensive high school to utilize a modern educational facility, while the existing Wootton High School building will be repurposed to support future secondary capital construction needs. The relocation of Thomas S. Wootton High School to the Crown Farm site remains scheduled for August 2027.

FISCAL NOTE

State Aid projected under the IAC Capital Improvement Program and/or the Built To Learn Act for school construction program. FY25 funding switch between GO Bond and GO Bond Premium to program \$12,388,000 in GO Bond Premium.

DISCLOSURES

MCPS asserts that this project conforms to the requirement of relevant local plans, as required by the Maryland Economic Growth, Resource Protection and Planning Act.

COORDINATION

Mandatory Referral - Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, Department of Environmental Protection, Building Permits, Code Review, Fire Marshall, Department of Transportation, Inspections, Sediment Control, Stormwater Management, WSSC Water Permits