

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND
LEGISLATIVE SESSION DAY 2024 - 15**

BILL NO. 2024-19

Title of Bill: An amendment to the Fiscal Year 2025 – Fiscal Year 2029 Capital Improvement Program – Accelerate North East Middle/High School Complex Construction – PR# 71273.

Synopsis: A Bill to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriations Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, to authorize the acceleration of the construction of the North East Middle/High School complex to complete the project by the end of FY2027, Project Number 71273. This acceleration requires the County to use \$21,579,000 of PAYGO in FY2025, supplanting County bonds between FY2028 and FY2030.

Introduced by: Council President at the request of the County Executive

Introduced and ordered posted on: August 20, 2024

Public hearing scheduled on: September 17, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

Consideration scheduled on: October 1, 2024

By: _____
Council Manager

PUBLIC HEARING

Notice and title of Resolution having been posted on August 20, 2024 at the County Administration Building, 200 Chesapeake Blvd., Elkton and having been published according to the Charter on September 4, 2024 and September 11, 2024, a public hearing was held on September 17, 2024, and concluded on September 17, 2024

By: _____
Council Manager

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An amendment to the Fiscal Year 2025 – Fiscal Year 2029 Capital Improvement Program – Accelerate North East Middle/High School Complex Construction – PR# 71273.

1 **WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 505 of the Cecil County Charter, on April 1, 2024, the County
2 Executive submitted a proposed budget to the County Council for Fiscal Year 2025; and

3 **WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 506 of the Cecil County Charter, the County Council held public
4 hearings on the proposed budget submitted by the County Executive for Fiscal Year 2025; and

5 **WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 507(b) of the Cecil County Charter, on June 4, 2024, the Budget
6 for Cecil County was adopted for Fiscal Year 2025; and

7 **WHEREAS**, Section 511 of the Charter of Cecil County allows the County Council to make
8 supplemental appropriations from revenues in excess of budget estimates or from sources not anticipated
9 in the budget; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the County Executive is requesting authorization to accelerate the construction of the
11 North East Middle / High School complex to complete the project by the end of FY2027, Project Number
12 71273; and

13 **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY,**
14 **MARYLAND**, that the Annual Budget and Appropriations Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland, for Fiscal
15 Year 2025 is hereby amended for the authorization to accelerate; and by amending the Capital Budget for
16 the County to use \$21,579,000 of PAYGO in FY2025, supplanting County bonds between FY2028 and FY2030,
17 illustrated by the Attachment 1.

18 **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND**, that this
19 Bill shall take effect 60 calendar days from the date that it becomes law.

CERTIFICATION

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above Bill was posted for the public on the public bulletin board with the date, time, and location of the public hearing meeting, copies were made available for the public, a copy was distributed to the press, and a copy was made available on the Cecil County website.

BY: Council Manager



CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

FISCAL IMPACT NOTE

SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION

SPONSOR: Council President at the request of the County Executive

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FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY: This will reduce the General Fund Balance by \$21,579,000. The reduction in the fund balance will lower the available and unrestricted cash position of the County.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

This acceleration requires the County to use \$21,579,000 of PAYGO in FY2025, supplanting County bonds between FY2028 and FY2030.

ATTACHMENT 1 - REVISED PROJECT - Page 1 of 2

Project Form Cecil County Capital Improvements Program 2025

Agency/Department: CECIL COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS		Project Number: 71273
Project Title: NE Attachment 1		Project Location: Irishtown Road, North East, MD
Initial Year Submitted	2020	
Was it in Last Year's Submittal	Yes	
Year Started	2023	
% Complete	1%	
Contact Person	Charles Simperts	



(\$ in thousand's)

Project Description/Status:
 In the FY 2021 CIP, CCPS received Local Planning support by the IAC for the North East Middle School Replacement Project. This project was proposed to be constructed on a recently purchased site adjacent to the existing North East High School. In the process of planning for that project, there has been support for an alternative project. This alternative project has determined that addressing a replacement North East High School, which has been in our CCPS 5-year plan, in combination with our replacement North East Middle School, would allow us to improve our overall school facility portfolio more efficiently and lower our Total Cost of Ownership for both buildings.

EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE											
	Total Cost	Prior Funding	5 Year Capital Program					Project Total thru FY29	Balance to Complete	Total Project Cost	
			FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029				
FUNDING SCHEDULE											
Paygo - FY2025 Approved	15,000	3,333	5,833	5,834				11,667	15,000		15,000
Paygo - Additional Funding Needed	21,579		21,579					21,579	21,579		21,579
Bonds	41,421	18,921	7,500	7,500	7,500			22,500	41,421		41,421
County ARPA	-	-	-	-	-			-	-		-
County Total	78,000	22,254	34,912	13,334	7,500	-	-	55,746	78,000	-	78,000
Federal	-	-	-	-	-			-	-		-
State	62,000	44,000	18,000					18,000	62,000		62,000
Loan to the BOE	41,000		41,000					41,000	41,000		41,000
Government Total	103,000	44,000	59,000	-	-	-	-	59,000	103,000	-	103,000
Total Funds	181,000	66,254	93,912	13,334	7,500	-	-	114,746	181,000	-	181,000

ATTACHMENT 1 - Page 2 of 2
PRIOR APPROVAL IN THE FY2025 - FY2029 CIP BUDGET

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Project Title: North East MS & HS in Appr. Bud		Project Location: Irishtown Road, North East, MD
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Was it in Last Year's Submittal	Yes	
Year Started	2023	
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FUNDING SCHEDULE											
Paygo (County, WW, SW)	15,000	3,333	5,833	5,834					11,667	15,000	15,000
Bonds (County, WW, SW)	63,000	18,921	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	37,500	56,421	63,000
County ARPA	-								-	-	-
Other	-								-	-	-
County Total	78,000	22,254	13,333	13,334	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	49,167	71,421	78,000
Federal	-								-	-	-
State	103,000	44,000	18,000	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000	42,000	86,000	103,000
Other Government	-								-	-	-
Government Total	103,000	44,000	18,000	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000	42,000	86,000	103,000
Total Funds	181,000	66,254	31,333	19,334	13,500	13,500	13,500	13,500	91,167	157,421	181,000