



Harrison County Schools

Where all are Leaders and all are Learners!

The School Building Authority awarded funding to three projects at its meeting in Charleston today.

Harrison County was awarded just over 6 million dollars for its building project to consolidate Adamston Elementary and Wilsonburg Elementary. The new school site will be at the existing United High School.

The current Adamston Elementary building will be remodeled to house United High School students. The Harrison County Board of Education is funding renovations that will take place to allow United High School students the same opportunities they have at their current facility.

Dr. Manchin, Harrison County Superintendent, said these projects mean a great deal to the success of students in the county.

“Nothing replaces quality instruction but the facilities facilitate the process. This allows our students to attend state-of-the-art schools for a state-of-the-art education so they can obtain a state-of-the-art career. Everything we do is to prepare our students for the future and facilities play an integral part in the process,” said Dr. Manchin.

Dr. Manchin said that Wilsonburg and Adamston Elementary students will have input in the naming process of the new school.

As for a timeframe for the new school to be open, Dr. Manchin said all plans are tentative and can change at any time but the first step in the process is to hire a design professional and start the planning process with both faculties and central office staff.

“We envision the planning process to start in mid-February and last about 90 days. Then we will move into the schematics stage followed by the design and development stage and finally construction which we hope will start in late summer of this year,” explained Dr. Manchin.

Dr. Manchin said the tentative plan is for construction to take around 12 months when it starts and for the project to be finished in time to start the 2021 school year.