A Decade of Growth

Since 2007, the following improvements have been made in our schools thanks to a 25 percent increase in enrollment. Most of this was done during a recession. Additionally, the net investment in capital assets has increased 148 percent, and the total net position has increased 75 percent. Per pupil expenditure has increased by 17 percent, a testament to the increasing overall investment in each student as we grow.

Major Capital Improvements:
- 25 classroom spaces
- 2 full-size gymnasiums (ESE, WSE)
- New music room at (EHS)
- New stadium/outdoor classroom (EHS)
- 2 roof replacements (HME & EHS)
- New secure entrance (EHS)
- New baseball and softball fields at (TAD)
- New indoor softball hitting facility (EHS)
- Elevator (HME)
- Renovated pool (EHS)
- New Synthetic Surface on track (EHS)
- Board Room (ECS)
- New CNC router for shop class at (EHS)
- Flight simulator (EHS)
- Brake lathe (EHS)
- New kitchen equipment for Culinary Arts program (EHS)
- New phone system for entire system
- Dressing room renovation (EHS)
- Window and door replacement (ESE, WSE)
- New EMS simulator for Health Sciences Program (EHS)
- Chiller Refurbishment (TAD, EHS)
- Refurbish 25 fan coil units in Science and Math Pods (EHS)
- Updated climate controls for portions of EHS
- New LED lighting in EHS Science Pod
- 3 new steamers for cafeterias (various schools)
- 3 new dishwashers
- 2 new walk-in freezers
- 13 new buses with cameras
- New maintenance van
- New car for drivers’ education at EHS

Additional Capital Improvements:
- Carpet removal/tile replacement throughout the system
- New energy-efficient lighting in all gymnasiums
- New sprinkler system and re-sodding of the band practice field (EHS)
- New fire alarm system (TAD)
- Boiler replacement at (TAD, HME)
- Dressing Room Renovations at (TAD)
- New Restrooms in TAD Shop Area
- Smart Boards in every class
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New/Expanded Programs:
- Comprehensive K-12 Intervention program
- Aviation program at EHS
- Culinary Arts expansion
- Health Sciences expansion
- Criminal Justice expansion
- STEM class added at TAD
- Keyboarding added at TAD
- Web Design
- AP Music Theory
- Journalism
- Drama
New Clubs

- East Tennessee Overmountain Cadet Corps
- Japanese Club
- Gaming Club
- Ultimate Frisbee Club
- Writer’s Group
- Sports Card Collector’s Club
- Photography Club
- LGBT Club
- Quill & Scroll Honor Society
- Drama Club
- All-Pro Dads
- iMoms
- Girls on the Run
- Wildcats Running Club

New Positions Added since 2008:
- Over 80 total positions added including:
  o 35 Certified Teaching Positions
  o 5 Licensed Professional Nurses
  o 2 SRO’s (TAD & EHS)
  o 2 Curriculum Coaches and 6 Interventionists
  o 15 Special Education Assistants
  o 6 Bus Drivers
- 98% Teacher Retention Rate (2016)
- 14:1 Student to Teacher Ratio

Academics:

- One of only 5 Exemplary School Systems in the state of Tennessee for the 2012-2013 school year.
- 97% graduation rate in 2016 (top 10% of state)
- 96% of 2016 graduates had postsecondary education plans, 3% had plans to enlist in military
- 1 of the top 10 school systems in the state for Composite ACT scores three times
- Implemented a comprehensive K-12 intervention program
- Multiple Reward School designations
- Named among Niche’s Top School Districts in Tennessee (13th overall, 9th for safety)