CHELSEA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Education Report

Operations Department

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CURRENT HIGHLIGHTS:

2026 Bond

- **NCE Y5's:** The North Creek Elementary Young Fives project is officially in the home stretch! All mechanical systems have successfully passed inspections and are fully operational. Owner training and turnover for the new rooftop HVAC unit were completed on November 9. Interior painting is complete, and flooring installation is nearing completion. Over the next couple of weeks, crews will focus on final finishes, punch-list items, and detailed cleaning in preparation for occupancy. All new furniture was delivered November 10–11 and has been assembled, organized, and staged for placement as the space becomes ready. The transformation has been remarkable. The finished learning environment is beautiful, bright, and inviting, with thoughtful spaces designed to support our youngest learners. We are incredibly excited to welcome our little Bulldogs into a space where they can learn, explore, and grow!

- **Softball:** The softball field project continues to progress exceptionally well and remains on schedule. Perimeter foundations, concrete curbing, and new fencing, including chain-link fabric, are complete. On the playing field, crews are placing and rolling the final stone base in preparation for turf installation. The turf material has already arrived on-site and is ready for installation. The softball field will feature a design consistent with the newly completed baseball field, incorporating vibrant Bulldog colors and prominent block "C" branding to create a cohesive and visually impressive athletic complex. Improvements to the softball batting cages are also nearing completion. Crews are finalizing drainage installation and stone preparation before installing turf within the cages. All work remains on track for substantial completion shortly after Thanksgiving break.

- **Baseball:** The baseball field turf installation is officially complete! One final design adjustment was made to reduce the size of the block "C" logos along the foul lines, providing a cleaner and more balanced appearance across the field. Landscaping restoration surrounding the project site was completed during the week of November 9. Fencing work remains underway, with chain-link fabric installation scheduled for November 9–13. A final punch-list walkthrough is anticipated around the Thanksgiving holiday, marking the formal closeout of this exciting athletic facility improvement. The completed field is a tremendous enhancement to our athletic facilities, showcasing Bulldog pride while providing a high-quality playing surface for our student-athletes.

- **Field House:** The Fieldhouse project has been quietly but steadily making tremendous progress, with several important infrastructure and structural milestones underway. Stormwater detention ponds are nearly complete, with remaining work consisting of finish grading, detailed site restoration, and riprap stone installation. Perimeter fencing will follow. At the main building site, masonry walls have been constructed and are in place, setting the stage for structural steel installation. During the week of November 9, crews also began installing the new water main that will serve the facility. One of the most exciting visual milestones is just around the corner. Structural steel erection is scheduled to begin the week of November 16. This phase will dramatically change the appearance of the construction site as the building begins to take shape above the masonry walls. The project remains on schedule, and we look forward to sharing the continued transformation as construction progresses.

LOOKING AHEAD: As we approach the end of the calendar year, the District is seeing the results of months of planning, coordination, and hard work across multiple facilities. From the finishing touches at North Creek Elementary to the transformation of our baseball and softball facilities and the emerging structure of the new Fieldhouse, these projects represent meaningful investments in the educational and extracurricular experiences of our students.We are grateful for the continued collaboration among our construction partners, District staff, and project teams who are working diligently to deliver high-quality facilities for our students, staff, and community. **It's an exciting time to be a Bulldog!**

Respectfully Submitted,
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