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Dear Brookwood High School Community,

Since 1981, our school campus has grown and changed in order to better serve our students and our community. Changes in how and what we teach students make it time to grow again. This includes but is not limited to our increasing focus on learning opportunities in Entrepreneurship, Engineering, Fine Arts, Robotics, Aquaponics and Technology. In the coming weeks, the school system will begin preparation for a new addition at our school. These improvements are funded as part of the 2015 Educational Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax, or ESPLOST, and are part of the school district's commitment to providing infrastructure and technological resources to advance teaching and learning.

Our school will gain 21 additional instructional spaces that will include renovated art rooms, updated computer labs, and a new STEM lab, as well as multi-purpose and special education classrooms. The new addition is slated to be completed and ready for the start of school in Fall 2020. In order to ensure that this much-needed classroom space is ready for our students and teachers on time, we will begin seeing changes to our campus in the coming weeks. Three primary areas will be affected:

Classrooms — We will add approximately 20 portable classrooms (trailers) to the campus to house students and classes. This will allow renovations to begin on current classrooms. Plans are to slowly transition the affected classes from the building to the modular classrooms beginning in January 2019.

Traffic Flow — Part of our parking lot on the east side of campus will be used as a construction staging area late in the 2019 Spring Semester. As a result, this will have a slight impact on the traffic flow around our school. We ask that drivers be especially attentive and drive slowly while on and near campus as an extra safety precaution.

Parking — Beginning the week of Thanksgiving, we will alter identified areas in our staff parking lot to accommodate portable classrooms.

I am sure that we will face a few "growing pains" as we implement some of these changes, but we do not anticipate any disruption to our ability to serve our students and community. We ask for your patience and understanding as we go through the renovation process, knowing that the final product will be a state-of-the art facility that will contribute to the tradition of excellence associated with Brookwood High School.

Sincerely,

William "Bo" Ford, Jr.
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