





BUILDING OUR FUTURE TOGETHER



Dear Colleagues,

It is hard to imagine how fast time has passed, and we have completed another school year. "Thank God we made it." I heard a graduating student tell his classmates that they should all take the time to "smell the roses." Those words have taken a significant meaning, given the climate we have all faced this past year (Covid), etc.

As June represents the close of another school year, it is also a beautiful time to see another senior class celebrate their achievements, and be thankful they have crossed the finish line through a difficult four-year journey. We've all heard "it takes a village," which I believe to be accurate. As facilities personnel, we should take great joy in seeing a graduate class succeed because we play a vital role in that village.

Please take some time this summer to relax in hopes that you will return refreshed and renewed to be the pillar of support that helps our school divisions thrive above all that we will face in the upcoming year. Have a safe and joyful summer.

Warm regards,



Vernon Jackson President, Principal Officer



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Loudoun County Public Schools has completed a \$4.3-million membrane bioreactor wastewater treatment plant at Lucketts **Elementary School in** Lucketts, VA. The new plant is replacing a rotary biological trickling sand filter which was part of the original school construction in 1972. Designed to handle an average daily flow of 7,500 gallons per day, the treatment system is comprised of a grease trap, an influent screening system, an equalization tank, a membrane bioreactor, and an ultraviolet disinfection system. This treatment process was selected based on the ability to meet future requirements for discharge permit limitations on ammonia and total nitrogen.



Loudoun County Public Schools





To better serve the members of the Virginia School Plant Managers Association, Sourcewell has agreed to partner and fill the position on the Board as a government partner. Sourcewell has served school districts in Virginia since the 90's through its cooperative purchasing program. Sourcewell's Client Relations Administrator, Courtney Ryan, remarks "I am proud to serve on the VSPMA board in this capacity and assist in carrying out the mission and vision of this great association."

Sourcewell cooperative purchasing program offers choice, value, and peace of mind. Contracts are competitively solicited and delivered through your local dealer or representative. Search our <u>contracts</u> to expand your purchasing options.

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King George County Schools

Here at King George County Schools our team has been working on the purchase and installation of inclusive ADA Playgrounds at all of our Elementary Schools. Three years ago, we purchase our first ADA playground and we have been working hard to make all of our Elementary Schools equal. The students love to play with the percussion playset, also known as Soprano Quartet Ensemble. The Playground was purchase through the HGAC Contract held by Playground Specialist. We hope to make these Playgrounds a reality by the end of the summer of 2022.

This Past year at King George we have secured funding for the replacement of two 150-ton chillers through ESSER Funding. These chillers are reaching their life span end and are becoming constant problems. Now we will be able to not have to worry about when the next break down is coming. Through the same procurement process we have secured the funds to replace the 25-year-old VAV boxes in King George Elementary. This upgrade will enhance the efficiency as well as the heating and cooling ability of our systems at this building.

King George Middle School will be getting new Muscoe lighting for their Baseball and Softball fields. This will be saving our Schools money on the electric bill due to the LED Lighting as well as savings on the maintenance due to the 25-year warranty. The existing lighting system is dated to 1985, I will be looking forward to not having to rent an 85-foot lift to change bulbs and ballast that weigh in at about 30-50lbs.

Save the Date!



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Check out the VSPMA website (<u>https://vspma.org/</u>) for more information.

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