# Presenter:

• 15 years building sc bols in the private sector.

• 30+ school projects from \$7M Additions to \$130M HS Replacements.

 Built schools in 8 different MD Counties and Fairfax, VA.

 Hired to create and run the IAC - State of Maryland School Construction Field Division

Owner Rep for LEAs w/Stantec Consulting.

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## Why Leave the Private Sector for the State?!?

TULIP GROVE E EMENTARY SCHOOL

Tulip Grove Elementary School

## Topics of Discussion

### MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT



### CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT



Maintenance Department Performance?

- PGCPS Maintenance receives a large budget every year.
- Every year the Maintenance Plan is presented for BoE approval.
- PGCPS Maintenance Contracts out the majority of their work.
- State of Maryland MEA Maintenance Effectiveness Assessment:

Scaled Score Range	Overall Rating
90% to 100%	Superior
80% to 89%	Good
70% to 79%	Adequate
60% to 69%	Not Adequate
0% to 59%	Poor

- PGCPS has had the lowest average score in the State the last two years averaging well below the 70% threshold for adequate.
- FY22 PGCPS MEA Score was 66.12% Last in State.
- FY21 PGCPS MEA Score was 66.49% Last in State.

Maintenance Department History?

- FY22 Average Score 66.12% One of only five Counties to average "Not Adequate" All of which are small counties.
- FY22 Accounted for 2 of the 4 (50%) major deficiencies found in the State.
- FY22 Accounted for 217 of the 685 (31%) minor deficiencies found in the State.
- FY21 Average Score 66.49% One of only three counties to average "Not Adequate".
- FY21 Accounted for 4 of the 5 (80%) major deficiencies found in the State.
- FY21 Accounted for 306 of the 974 (31%) minor deficiencies found in the State.

Fiscal Year	Superior/Good	Adequate	Not Adequate	Poor	Total
2021	63	131	72	2	268
2022	22	189	52	2	265
Total Ratings	85	320	124	4	533
Total Percentages	15.95%	60.04%	23.26%	0.75%	100%

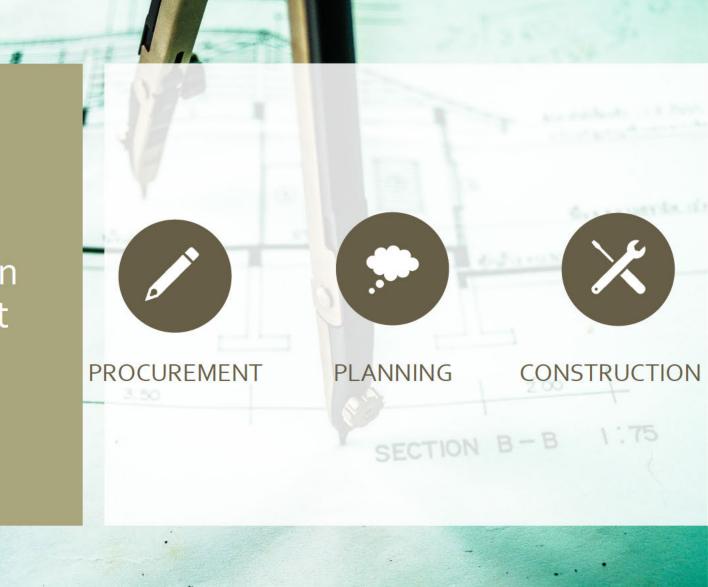
#### TABLE 1: MEA RESULTS FISCAL YEARS 2021-2022 UMBER OF MEAS PERFORMED WITH RATINGS AND PERCENTAGES

- Last two years:
  - Accounted for 2 of the 4 (50%) schools that scored a "poor".
  - Accounted for 65 of the 124 (53%) schools that scored a "Not Adequate".
  - Accounted for 11 of the 320 (3%) schools that scored an "Adequate".
  - Zero Schools scored a "good" or "Superior" 85 Maryland schools scored a good or superior.

Maintenance Department Not so Fun Facts

- Not just a recent problem:
  - All MEAs conducted by the State between 2015 2020 PGCPS scored a "poor" or "Not Adequate" 12% of the time. Only 2 other Counties scored over 2% for that duration, Somerset 10% and Baltimore City 9%.
- Lack of Adequately maintained schools:
  - In two years, PGCPS has had 78 schools assessed, which is 40% of your total school count, and has never had a good or superior rating.
  - Only 11 of the 78 schools assessed (14%) are deemed to be adequately maintained by the State.
- Less Square Feet to maintain:
  - PGCPS averages LESS square foot per student than the State average (145 SF/student vs 161 SF/student).

### Construction Department



## Basic Steps of a School Construction Project

Planning Stage		LEA Submitted Date	
	Ed Spec & TCO Submission	IAC Approval Date	
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Р	County Gov't Letter of Support		
e	Schematic Design Design Development Construction Documents Bid Date	LEA Submitted Date	
8		IAC Approval Date	
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S		IAC Approval Date	
5	Construction Documents	LEA Submitted Date	
si		IAC Approval Date	
e	Bid Date	Out for Bid Date	
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Ramp Up	Target date for BOE Approval		
	Notice to Proceed (NTP)	NTP Issuance Date	
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ti .	Notice to Proceed (NTP) Building Turnover Punchlist Completion & Final Payment	Substantial Completion Date	
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a L	Punchlist Completion & Final Payment	Punchlist 25% Complete	
St St		Punchlist 50% Complete	
n		Punchlist 75% Complete	
ŭ		Punchlist Completion Date	
		Final Payment	

# William Wirt MS Replacement

<u>Milestone Stages</u> of a school construction project	2015 - FY17 CIP	Requested Planning approval – State Granted Said Bid Date – 4/1/2018; Occupancy Date 8/1/2020 Feasibility Study submitted 11/2015
<ul> <li>Feasibility Study</li> <li>Ed Specs / Program Statement</li> <li>Schematic Design Dwgs</li> </ul>	2016 - FY18 CIP	Requested \$4.5M – State Denied Said Bid Date – 4/1/2018; Occupancy Date 8/1/2020 No Ed Spec submitted / no progress shown
<ul> <li>Design Development Dwgs</li> <li>Construction Documents</li> </ul>	2017 - FY19 CIP	Requested \$4.5M – State Denied Said Bid Date – 4/1/2018; Occupancy Date 8/1/2020 No Ed Spec submitted / no progress shown
<ul><li>Bid Date</li><li>Notice to Proceed</li></ul>	2018 – FY20 CIP	Requested \$19M – State Granted \$19M Said Bid Date – 7/1/2019; Occupancy Date 8/1/2021 Ed Spec submitted 5/2018
<ul><li>Substantial Completion</li><li>Occupancy</li></ul>	2019 – FY21 CIP	Requested \$12M – State Granted \$12M Said Bid Date – 11/30/2019; Occupancy Date 11/2021 SDs submitted & DDs submitted – proj looks underway
	2020 – FY22 CIP	Requested \$10.5M – State Granted \$10.5M Said Bid Date – 9/30/2020; Occupancy Date 8/15/2022 CDs submitted – Occupancy date impossible Project still not Bid.

New Cherokee Lane Elementary School

- $\,\circ\,$  FY20 Innovation Incentive Pilot Program only project.
- Offsite construction.
- Estimated total project cost \$23.3M 82,920 GSF \$280/SF.

FY21 pulled from IIPP program – submitted in normal CIP.
 Estimated total project cost - \$34M – 90,264 GSF - \$377/SF

- FY22 submitted in CIP.
- Total project cost after construction bid \$60.7M 95,829 GSF.
- Construction ONLY cost \$55.7M \$581/SF.
- Removing Sitework from bid \$489/SF.
- o 18 ES bid in same Fiscal Year Avg 102,622 GSF and \$374/SF Construction Cost only
- o 12 of 18 ES were in similar markets (Montgomery, Frederick, Baltimore County) Avg 105,067 GSF and \$367/SF Construction Cost only.
- Most expensive ES construction cost only was \$419/SF Construction Cost only.

New Cherokee Lane Elementary School O Divided project into two Phases:
 O Phase 1 offsite construction – Phase 2 onsite construction.

Phase 1 offsite construction bid (1) came in extremely high.
 Instead of stopping project, proceeded.

Phase 2 onsite construction bid came in extremely high.
Instead of stopping the project and circling the wagons, still proceeded.

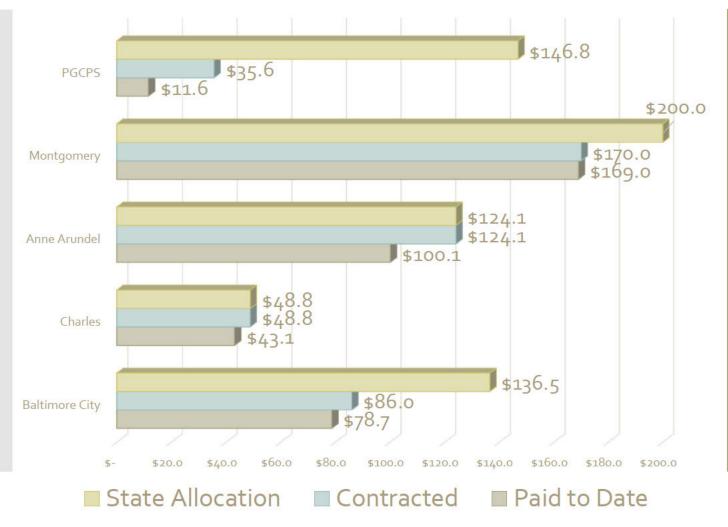
 $\circ$  The State flagged the project.

 $\circ$  Provided recommendation to stop and look at going back to traditional.

 $\circ$  Provided recommendation to cut \$3M in CM unnecessary costs.

Provided suggestion on what is driving the costs.

 Meant to be a reducing cost means and ended up being the most expensive Elementary School in State history.



#### **Select Jurisdiction Performances**

State Money FY18 - FY21



#### FY21 - 385 "ACTIVE" State Funded Projects

Projects are Abandoned, not Completed



# What are the problems?

- Unknowledgeable Staff with little to no school construction experience on the private side. Lack of pay = lack of experience and effort. Hard to get Staff, hard to keep Staff. Overworked.
- Poor Department structure.
- Lack of Accountability from BoE.
- Reputation of long pay times and nonresponsive Staff.
- Design schedules are never met.
- Construction Managers are never under Contract in time.
- Procurement takes significantly longer than other jurisdictions even with simple RFP's, RFQ's, NTP's, etc.
- Permitting, DPIE, drags down projects causes significant delays and all the associated costs.

# Thank you for your time

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I'm available to answer any questions.