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Construction contract awarded for new North Fulton STEM high school project

Taking an important step toward the 2020 opening of the new North Fulton STEM high school, the Fulton County School Board awarded Barton Malow a \$57.8 million construction contract at its meeting last night.

The yet-to-be-named school will be located on the former Milton High School campus near downtown Alpharetta. Demolition of the old building began in the spring, and construction work is scheduled to begin next month. The contract includes construction services for the high school as well as associated sitework and parking.

Hallmarks of the school include an integrated curriculum, a focus on Technology and Health Science, and an emphasis on design thinking. Design thinking is a problem-solving process that combines creative and analytical approaches that require the integration of knowledge and skills across multiple disciplines. Partnerships with STEM-focused corporations also will contribute significantly through their impact with students, teachers, and the facility.

The school will open with an incoming class of 400 freshmen scholars and will grow to a total capacity of 1,500 students as new grade levels are added. More details, including the application process, will be available this fall on the Fulton County Schools website.

The school is being built through SPLOST (Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax), the one-penny education sales tax that funds new school construction, additions and renovations, technology innovations and safety improvements.

Cutline for attached photo: A birds-eye view of the new North Fulton STEM high school campus. Construction is set to begin next month.

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About the Fulton County School System. The Fulton County School System is the fourth largest school system in Georgia. Approximately 96,700 students attend 105 schools in the cities of Alpharetta, Chattahoochee Hills, College Park, East Point, Fairburn, Hapeville, Johns Creek, Milton, Mountain Park, Palmetto, South Fulton, Roswell, Sandy Springs, and Union City.