

ESPLOST

Pennies with Purpose for Catoosa Students

ESPLOST STANDS FOR EDUCATION SPECIAL PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX.

ESPLOST WAS ESTABLISHED BY THE GEORGIA LEGISLATURE IN 1996.

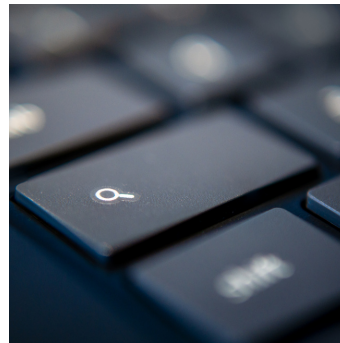
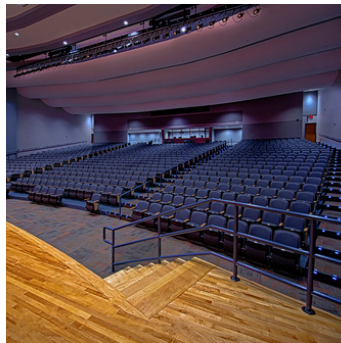
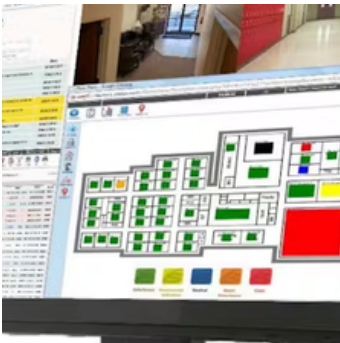
ABOUT ESPLOST

157 OUT OF 159 GA COUNTIES HAVE AN ESPLOST.

ESPLOST PENNIES ARE COLLECTED FROM EVERY PURCHASE MADE IN CATOOSA COUNTY- WHICH ALLOWS NON-RESIDENTS TO CONTRIBUTE FUNDS.

ESPLOST PROVIDES A METHOD FOR GEORGIA SCHOOL SYSTEMS TO GENERATE FUNDS FOR CAPITAL OUTLAY EXPENDITURES WHICH INCLUDE NEW SCHOOLS, MAINTENANCE AND RENOVATION OF EXISTING SCHOOLS, PURCHASES OF TECHNOLOGY, SECURITY EQUIPMENT, AND BUSES.

CATOOSA COUNTY RESIDENTS HAVE PASSED ESPLOST SINCE 1997.



School Safety



School Facilities




Technology



Transportation

 WWW.CATOOSA.K12.GA.US

 1-706-965-2297



1997-2001

ESPLOST I

THE VERY FIRST ESPLOST PENNY WAS COLLECTED AND FOCUSED ON STUDENT GROWTH IN CATOOSA COUNTY.

CONSTRUCTION OF RINGGOLD PRIMARY SCHOOL AND BATTLEFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL. EACH OF THESE BUILDINGS HOUSE STUDENTS FROM PRE-KINDERGARTEN THROUGH SECOND GRADE.

2001-2005

ESPLOST II

THE 2ND ESPLOST CONTINUED A FOCUS ON STUDENT GROWTH IN CATOOSA COUNTY. THE DISTRICT ADDED TWO SCHOOLS TO HELP ALLEVIATE OVERCROWDING AND THE NEED FOR MOBILE CLASSROOMS.

WOODSTATION ELEMENTARY AND HERITAGE MIDDLE SCHOOL WERE COMPLETED DURING THIS ESPLOST.



2005-2011

ESPLOST III

THE FOCUS OF THIS ESPLOST PENNY COLLECTION WAS TO BUILD A THIRD COMPREHENSIVE HIGH SCHOOL TO MEET THE NEEDS OF A RAPIDLY GROWING POPULATION IN CATOOSA COUNTY.

HERITAGE HIGH SCHOOL OPENED IN THE FALL OF 2008.

FACILITY EQUITABILITY WAS A FOCUS WITH PROJECTS AT RHS, LFO, WESTSIDE ES, HMS, AND LMS.

SAFETY WAS ADDRESSED WITH RESPONSE SYSTEM IMPLEMENTATION, A 1:1 TECHNOLOGY INIATIVE PROVIDED A DEVICE FOR EVERY STUDENT, AND NEW BUSES WERE PURCHASED FOR TRANSPORTATION.

2011-2016

ESPLOST IV



2016-2021

ESPLOST V

THE FOCUS WAS TO ADDRESS SCHOOL SAFETY THROUGH EMERGENCY RESPONSE SYSTEMS, DOOR ACCESS CONTROL AND OTHER SAFETY ENHANCEMENTS.

ESPLOST V ALSO UPDATED 1:1 STUDENT TECHNOLOGY, INCLUDED FACILITY EQUITABILITY AND MAINTENANCE PROJECTS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY, AND UPDATED GRAYSVILLE ELEMENTARY.

2021-2025

ESPLOST VI

THE FOCUS OF THE CURRENT ESPLOST IS TO ADDRESS WORKFORCE SKILL DEVELOPMENT WITH THE COLLEGE AND CAREER ACADEMY AND FACILITY EQUITABILITY THROUGH THE LFO THEATER AND BOYNTON ELEMENTARY UPDATE.

IN ADDITON, MAINTENANCE, FACILITY, AND TECHNOLOGY IMPROVEMENTS ARE CONTINUOSLY ADDRESSED AT ALL SCHOOLS.

