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Ribbon Cutting Announced for New Clayton County Public Schools Transportation Center & County Road Project

Jonesboro, GA- Clayton County Board of Commissioners (CCBOC), along with Clayton County Public Schools (CCPS), will host a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Thursday, August 4, at 1:00 p.m. at the new CCPS Transportation Center located on Garden Walk Boulevard in Riverdale. The event, which is open to the public, will celebrate the completion of a multi-phase transportation project that has successfully wrapped up in time for the 2011-2012 CCPS school year.

The transportation project includes a new transportation center, access improvement from the northwestern portion of the county to Southern Regional Medical Center (SRMC) and Tara Blvd., along with the construction of a new bridge and road widening. The new roadway will help ease some of the traffic congestion that exists on SR 85 and Upper Riverdale Road.

Clayton County Chairman Eldrin Bell feels that the project will also assist with the rush hour congestion that occurs on Upper Riverdale Road and Garden Walk Blvd during the school year. "Clayton County Board of Commissioners is delighted that the county was able to collaborate with CCPS on this project which was funded 100% with SPLOST dollars. The new road construction will assist in easing commuter traffic in the area between SRMC and Charles Drew High School, and other surrounding area thoroughfares. While also providing emergency personnel from Fire Station 1 located on Garden Walk Blvd and SRMC with an entrance and exit pathway that is more accessible when responding to calls."

CCPS Deputy Superintendent, Dr. Stefanie P. Phillips, is delighted with the design outcome of the multi-purpose transportation project and how it will benefit the community. "The collaboration that has occurred between the Board of Education, the Board of Commissioners and Southern Regional Hospital has produced a very good end result for the county. We are excited for the opening of this road. It will facilitate a higher level of service to our community, for education as well as health care."

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