

Bus Lot Update

Community Brief

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Requirement

- Need for a central bus lot to support James Island Schools
- Buses are currently parked at Ft Johnson Middle School



James Island Sites Reviewed

- Ft Johnson Middle School
- James Island Middle School
- James Island Charter High School
- Stiles Point Elementary School
- James Island Elementary School
- Gresham-Meggett Campus

Areas behind James Island Elementary School and Gresham-Meggett are the only options with enough space for safe parking

Planning Completed to Date

- Traffic Study
 - Included vehicles for new library
 - Limited impact on surrounding transportation network
- Lot design
- All permitting

Bus Lot Features/Operations

- 38 bus parking positions; would use 26
- Site design to include vegetation buffers
- Buses cannot idle for more than 10 minutes



“Why can’t the buses be parked at all of the schools?”

- Need a centralized bus lot
 - Safety of students, faculty, and bus drivers
 - Timely transportation of students
 - Better bus operations

“What about the environmental impacts?”

- Expired agreement between U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and James Island Elementary School did not contain any property restrictions
- In compliance with all regulations
- No measurable hazard with our idling time requirements

“What about the conditions of Grimball Road?”

- There have been no reports to South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) of impassable conditions due to flooding
- SCDOT has reviewed and approved the layout
- CCSD widened Grimball Road from entrance to new traffic light at Folly Road during school construction

Other Questions?