# **Buckingham County Public Schools**

#### **ADA Accessibility Review Report**

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#### Introduction

Buckingham County Public Schools is committed to providing safe, inclusive, and accessible learning environments for all students, staff, and visitors. In accordance with the 2025 Uncodified Acts, Chapter 566, this review evaluates each school facility within the division to identify accessibility challenges and document progress toward compliance with state and federal accessibility standards. The report highlights both existing conditions and forward-looking solutions, reflecting the division's proactive approach to ensuring every individual—regardless of ability—can fully participate in the educational experience. Our team takes pride in maintaining our facilities, prioritizing upgrades, and planning strategically for the continued improvement of accessibility across all campuses.

## **Facility Reviews**

### **Buckingham Pre-School**

Address: 77 Buckingham Pre-School Road, Buckingham, VA 23921

Phone: 434-969-4490 | Fax: 434-969-1004

**Square Footage: 20,740 | Built: 1980 | Levels: 1** 

**Student Enrollment: 120** 

Buckingham Pre-School serves as the foundation of the division's early learning programs. The building remains in fairly good condition with accessible entryways and classrooms. The primary concern lies in the uneven surfaces along the main sidewalks, which present a potential accessibility challenge. The proposed solution involves raising and leveling the sidewalks as future budgets allow. Overall, the building's single-level layout supports ease of movement for students and visitors with mobility needs.



### **Buckingham Primary School**

(Part of the Dr. Carter G. Woodson Educational Complex)

Address: 128 Frank Harris Road, Dillwyn, VA 23936

Phone: 434-505-0001 | Fax: 434-983-1386

Square Footage: 134,015 (shared with Buckingham Elementary)

Built: 1954, Major Renovation: 2013 | Levels: 3

Student Enrollment: 344

Originally constructed as Carter G. Woodson High School, this facility underwent a major renovation in 2013, transforming it into a modern, ADA-compliant learning environment. The building now features updated access points, elevators, restrooms, and classroom layouts that meet accessibility standards. It is in excellent condition with no major concerns at this time.



### **Buckingham Elementary School**

(Part of the Dr. Carter G. Woodson Educational Complex)

Address: 40 Frank Harris Road, Dillwyn, VA 23936

Phone: 434-505-0000 | Fax: 434-983-1366

Square Footage: 134,015 (shared with Buckingham Primary)

Built: 1964, Major Renovation: 2013 | Levels: 3

Student Enrollment: 342

Originally built as Stephen J. Ellis Elementary School, this facility was comprehensively renovated in 2013 to align with current ADA standards. The school's upgraded elevators, ramps, and accessible routes ensure compliance. It remains in excellent condition with no identified accessibility concerns.



### **Buckingham Middle School**

Address: 1184 High School Road, Buckingham, VA 23921

Phone: 434-969-1044 | Fax: 434-969-4290

Square Footage: 100,000 | Built: 2003 | Levels: 1

Student Enrollment: 378

Buckingham Middle School, a modern single-level facility, is in excellent condition overall. The main accessibility concern involves uneven sidewalks at key entry points. Plans are in place to raise and repair these sidewalks as funding becomes available. The layout of the building provides strong accessibility to classrooms, offices, and common spaces.



### **Buckingham High School**

Address: 78 Knights Road, Buckingham, VA 23921

Phone: 434-969-6160 | Fax: 434-969-3209

Square Footage: 93,558 | Built: 1939 | Renovations: 1983, 2023 (roof) | Levels: 3

Student Enrollment: 573

As the division's oldest active educational facility, Buckingham High School presents the most significant accessibility challenges. These include uneven sidewalks, heavy doors, aging elevators and chair lifts, and an auditorium dating back to 1939 requiring major upgrades. Improvements have already been made, such as removing old auditorium seating for wheelchair access and installing a new chair lift with grant funding. Future plans include sidewalk leveling and auditorium upgrades. Dr. Cynthia Reasoner, the new superintendent, is actively exploring a comprehensive renovation project, estimated at over \$3 million for the auditorium alone. Given the building's age and multi-level structure, a full modernization effort is warranted to bring it to current accessibility standards.



### **Buckingham CTE School**

Address: 98 Fanny White Road, Buckingham, VA 23921

Phone: 434-969-6180 | Fax: 434-969-1689 Square Footage: 42,100 | Built: 1979 | Levels: 1

General Condition: Fair | Student Enrollment: Shared with High School

The CTE School supports hands-on technical education for high school students. The building is in fair condition overall, with aging restroom facilities noted as the primary accessibility concern. Renovation of these bathrooms is planned as budget resources allow to ensure ADA compliance.



### **Berryman Property (Alternative Education)**

Address: 856 High School Road, Buckingham, VA 23921

Square Footage: 3,500 | Built: 1978 | Levels: 3 | Condition: Poor

Originally a residential home, this structure has been adapted for alternative education use but faces several limitations, including an undersized septic system and a failing carport/deck. Due to these challenges and its multi-level layout, it is not fully ADA accessible. The recommended solution is to study this facility and possibly relocate the Alternative Education program to the basement of Buckingham High School, where accessibility and safety can be better ensured.



### **Transportation Building**

Address: 364 High School Road, Buckingham, VA 23921

Phone: 434-969-4455

Square Footage: 10,020 (3,644 offices) | Built: 2010 | Levels: 1

Condition: Excellent | Student Enrollment: N/A

This modern, single-level facility serves as the transportation hub for the division. It is fully ADA accessible, with no noted concerns. The building is well maintained and in excellent condition.



### **School Board Building**

Address: 15595 West James Anderson Highway, Buckingham, VA 23921

Phone: 434-969-4455

**Square Footage: 6,046 | Built: 1940 | Renovated: 1962 | Levels: 2** 

Condition: Fair | Student Enrollment: N/A

The School Board Building remains a functional administrative space but reflects aging infrastructure, including an old slate roof and limited accessibility to lower level. Long-term plans should consider upgrades or future relocation to a fully accessible facility that meets modern standards.



#### Middle School Athletic Bathroom

Address: 1184 High School Road, Buckingham, VA 23921

Square Footage: 1,564 | Built: 2023 | Levels: 1

General Condition: Excellent | Student Enrollment: 0

Completed in 2023, the Buckingham Middle School Bathroom Project represents a significant step forward in the division's commitment to accessibility and modernization. The project provided new, fully ADA-compliant restrooms designed with accessibility, safety, and ease of maintenance in mind. The facilities meet or exceed all ADA standards, offering accessible stalls, fixtures, and clear circulation space. The condition of the new bathrooms is excellent, and no concerns have been identified.



#### **Next Steps:**

Buckingham County Public Schools is actively seeking funding to conduct a comprehensive assessment of our facilities' ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) accessibility. This effort will allow us to partner with a specialized ADA vendor to identify specific needs and develop a

long-range plan to ensure all schools within our division are fully accessible and inclusive for every student, staff member, and community member.

#### Conclusion

Buckingham County Public Schools recognizes the importance of accessibility as a cornerstone of equity and inclusion. While many of our facilities are in excellent condition and meet ADA standards—particularly those that have undergone recent renovations—older buildings present opportunities for continued improvement. The division remains committed to addressing accessibility barriers, prioritizing upgrades as funding allows, and ensuring that all students, staff, and visitors can navigate our campuses safely and with dignity. Through ongoing assessment, planning, and community collaboration, Buckingham County Public Schools will continue to uphold its mission of providing safe, inclusive, and accessible learning environments for all.



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