

## School Security Initiatives - Front Entry Access Control

### Education

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Area: **County-Wide**      Location: **The Academy at Charlotte Tech Center, 18300 Cochran Blvd. Port Charlotte**  
**Charlotte Harbor School, 22450 Hancock Ave. Port Charlotte**  
**Charlotte Technical Center, 18150 Murdock Circle, Port Charlotte**  
**Deep Creek Elementary, 26900 Harborview Rd, Port Charlotte**  
**Kingsway Elementary, 23000 Quasar Blvd. Port Charlotte**  
**L.A. Ainger Middle School, 245 Cougar Way, Rotonda West**  
**Liberty Elementary, 370 Atwater Street, Port Charlotte**  
**Murdock Center Educational Support, 1445 Education Way, Port Charlotte**  
**Murdock Middle School, 17325 Mariner Way, Port Charlotte**  
**Myakka River Elementary, 12650 Wilmington Blvd. Port Charlotte**  
**Port Charlotte High School, 18200 Cochran Blvd. Port Charlotte**  
**Port Charlotte Middle School, 23000 Midway Blvd. Port Charlotte**  
**Punta Gorda Center Support Services Admin. 1016 Education Ave. Punta Gorda**  
**Vineland Elementary, 467 Boundary Blvd. Rotonda West**

### Need:

Funding to remodel and renovate front entry lobbies to create a single point of entry for visitors. This is a needed safety priority as evidenced by the shootings at schools we have seen across the country. These older schools were originally built with multiple entry points.

### Purpose:

To enhance the ability of the staff to control public access to the building. Entry access control requires visitors to report to a central location to sign in, they go through secure and controlled doors to enter the area they are visiting, and personnel are notified of their impending arrival.

### Objectives:

Increase security and safety of the building occupants.

<b>PROJECT COST PRIOR FUNDING:</b>	<b>NONE</b>
<b>PROJECT COST PRIOR FROM SALES TAX:</b>	<b>NONE</b>
<b>TOTAL PROJECT COST:</b>	<b>\$1,074,700</b>
<b>PROJECT COST REQUIRED NEW SALES TAX:</b>	<b>\$1,074,700</b>
<b>ANNUAL OPERATING COST:</b>	<b>NONE</b>

Will the project impact public health and safety?

By creating a single point of entry monitored by a staff member this will promote the safety of the building occupants by placing another barrier between them and a violent intruder.

Will the project foster economic development and create long-term jobs?

Will create short term jobs and short term economic development.

Will the project result in decreased, increased, or no operation and maintenance (O&M) costs?

Minimal impact for normal "wear and tear" maintenance.

*Project to be funded by the 1% Local Option Sales Tax Extension if passed by the voters of Charlotte County*

Will sales tax allow for application of grant funds from another entity?

No.

Will the project enable furtherance of phased projects from 2008 sales tax extension?

This is not part of any previous sale tax funding.

Is this a joint project with another entity?

School Board only.

Will the project meet a community obligation to serve a special needs segment of the County's population, such as: low-income, aged, or minorities?

This serves all occupants of the building, be they children of low-income families, minorities, or those with emotional or physical needs.

Is the project included Master Plan and/or Comprehensive Plan?

As a part of the ongoing partnership between Charlotte County Public Schools, Charlotte County and Punta Gorda, the School District's 5-Year Facilities Work Plan is forwarded and included in their Comprehensive Plan.

Will the project impact environmental quality of the County?

No, just safety of building occupants.

Percentage of population served

Serves the entire community as a public access building.

Will the project improve quality of life in Charlotte County?

Project will enhance the security of a public building and occupants.

Is the project state or federally mandated?

There are no mandates for this project.