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### **NEWS RELEASE — FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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## **Lexington District One pursues land for new district Transportation Facility**

LEXINGTON, S.C. — During the Feb. 18, 2020 Board Meeting, the Lexington County School District One Board of Trustees accepted the administration's recommendation to enter into option agreements related to land needed to relocate the district's Transportation Facility.

This bus transportation facility would serve the Lexington, River Bluff, and White Knoll attendance areas. (The current location serves the Lexington and River Bluff areas.)

The land, located in an industrial area, has good sightlines and multiple road access points.

The district will enter into two separate option agreements to begin the land acquisition process. The purchase is, however, contingent on the district purchasing both pieces of property.

The first parcel, owned by Royalty Holdings 1, LLC (Lexington County TMS # 005498-07-014), contains approximately 44.27 acres.

The second parcel, owned by Royalty Properties, LLC (Lexington County TMS # 005498-07-015), contains approximately 2.61 acres.

The board's action to accept the administration's recommendation to enter into these two option agreements begins the district's due diligence process, as the purchase of property for a site is a very specialized and intricate process that includes many South Carolina Department of Education, South Carolina Department of Transportation, and Lexington County guidelines that impact the purchase of land.

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The first thing district administrators do when looking at a piece of land is to determine if the location of the land meets the district's current and future needs for property in that area.

Approved by the voters as part of the district's Nov. 6, 2018, \$365 million five-year building plan (2018–2023), the new Transportation Facility ensures that the district can provide a modern updated transportation facility to support bus transportation.

The district understands that Lexington District One residents want to keep up with the progress of the building plan and <u>developed a webpage</u> to do just that. The site enables residents to see what is currently happening at their child's school and includes "before" photographs, the current phase taking place, photographs of any progress, etc.

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