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An investment worth making
OUR OPINION: Hialeah High among 280 Miami-Dade schools in need of repairs, new technology

Serving students from working-class neighborhoods, almost one in four learning English for the first time, Hialeah High School has beaten the odds and become a recruiting ground for Ivy League and other top-tiered universities looking for the best and brightest.

The school opened its doors in 1953, and some of its teaching equipment is almost as old. It took another 50 years to add a new building and upgrade the auditorium to ease ever-present crowding.

Much remains to be done, as these photos show. Another reason why voters should give the nod this November to extending construction bonds that on average would add $10 to a homeowner's tax bill. A wise investment.

A chair holds up the old heavy wooden bleachers so that Norma Jimenez can clean under them. Several are broken.
Below: A student walks through the flooded courtyard of Hialeah High School, because of poor drainage after a light rain.