



MEDIA ADVISORY

OFFICE OF COUNTY MAYOR TIM BURCHETT

400 Main Street, Suite 615, Knoxville, TN 37902

Public invited to Oakwood Open House

Who: Knox County Mayor Tim Burchett,
Family Pride Inc. President Rick Dover

What: Open House & Tour

When: 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.
Thursday, February 28, 2013

Where: Oakwood Elementary School site
232 E. Churchwell Ave.

Background:

KNOXVILLE (Feb. 26, 2013) – Knox County Mayor Tim Burchett and Family Pride Inc. President Rick Dover are hosting an open house at the site of the former Oakwood Elementary School. The open house will be held from 4-6 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 28. Family Pride is currently redeveloping the run-down Oakwood Elementary School into a private senior living facility.

The building, located at 232 E. Churchwell Ave., has been a concern for residents in the Oakwood community and others in North Knoxville for quite some time. In 2011, Knox County acquired the property from the Knox County Schools and issued a request for proposal (RFP) to see if someone could develop it for private use. There was only one proposal made at that time, but it didn't work out. Mayor Burchett announced in January 2012 that he wanted to try again, so another RFP was issued for the property.

Oakwood community members, the public, city and county officials and the media are encouraged to attend the open house.

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