

through 12th grade.

"Now the real work begins," said Joy Warner, CCS director.

In 2004, CCS launched as a charter school in Davidson, although its students reside across the northern part of the county. Since the opening of the school, a committee of parents and school staff has discussed all facets of an expansion and researched middle and high school curriculum. "CCS approached this expansion carefully and methodically," Warner remarked.

CCS is located at 565 Griffith St., and school staff hopes to lease additional space adjacent to its current facility for the middle school. A search for a high school location has begun, as well.

Final details for the phasing in of upper grades have not yet been announced, though sixth grade will begin in the 2007-08 school year.

CCS is a charter school that provides an alternative public school option for families. To learn more about it, visit www.ccsch.org. □

Elementary school extends charter

Children's Community School announced final approval by the North Carolina State Board of Education for the extension of its charter. The school's charter was originally granted for kindergarten through fifth grades, but it will now have the opportunity to grow