On March 27, Archway CED graduate student Rachel Johnson gave her final presentation of design ideas and a basic plan for the play area at Hartwell Elementary. She worked with Hartwell Elementary Principal Dana White, Assistant Principal Jennifer Carter, and a group of teachers and parents to understand the design issues and needs for the area. The play area has several design challenges, including a lack of sidewalks connecting it to the school buildings, a steep slope that is currently eroding and creating a muddy mess when it rains, a lack of seating for teachers supervising recess time, and areas where water pools after rain. Rachel put together a design book of ideas and a basic landscape design for the group to consider as they work with the PTO to plan improvements.

On March 2, Archway CED graduate student Mario Cambardella presented his final designs for two Lake Hartwell 50th Damiversary memorial monuments to a committee made up of members of the Lake Hartwell Marketing Alliance (LMHA) as well as the US Army Corps of Engineers. Mario has been working with the group since early January to develop the designs and identify the location for the memorial monuments. The monuments will be constructed of granite and ipe wood, and will feature granite panels with maps of the lake, text commemorating the construction of the Dam and the first power generation, and sponsors. One monument will be constructed on the South Carolina side of the Hartwell Dam embankment, and the other will be constructed on the Georgia side of the Dam, next to the Corps of Engineers office at Big Oaks Recreation Area. Both monuments will be located along a walking trail that goes over the top of the Dam. The monuments, which are being funded by the LHMA and sponsors, will be given to the Corps of Engineers and unveiled as part of the Golden Damiversary celebrations on April 27, the 50th anniversary of the first power generation at Hartwell Dam.