



Preliminary Smart Schools Investment Plan Voorheesville Central School District

Total Smart Schools Bond Act allocation	\$483,870
Smart Schools Investment Plan Application 1	\$359,666

Smart Schools Bond Act (SSBA)

The Smart Schools Bond Act was passed in the 2014-15 enacted budget and approved by the voters in a statewide referendum held during the New York State 2014 General Election on Tuesday, November 4, 2014. The Smart Schools Bond Act (SSBA) authorized the issuance of \$2 billion of general obligation bonds to finance improvements in educational technology, infrastructure and security. The Voorheesville Central School District has been allocated \$483,870 for this purpose. This will be paid to the District by New York State as reimbursement for expenses incurred under the plan.

Smart Schools Investment Plan Application 1

Smart Schools Investment Plan Application 1 will focus on wireless infrastructure, educational technology and security. The Smart Schools Investment Plan Application 2 will be filed after construction plans to the NYS Education Department have been approved, this process could take between 6-12 months. Application 2 will focus on a new security system and hardening of main entrance doors at each school.

Smart Schools Investment Plan Committee

Pursuant to the requirements for the Smart Schools Bond Act, the planning process for developing and submitting a Smart Schools Investment Plan to the State Education Department must include consultation with parents, teachers, students, and community members.

The Smart Schools Investment Plan Committee is really a subset of our District Technology Committee. The District Technology Committee met on October 15th, 2015 to review the Smart Schools Bond Act and the required parameters of the Smart Schools Investment Plan, to identify district instructional technology strengths and needs, and to create the initial Smart Schools Investment Plan. We have also met with students and community members seeking their input on the initial plan.

Smart Schools Investment Plan Timeline

12/17/15 - Preliminary Smart Schools Investment Plan approved by the Board of Education

1/11/16 - Public hearing to present Preliminary Smart Schools Investment Plan at Board of Education regular meeting.

2/8/16 - Final Smart Schools Investment Plan approved by the Board of Education at Special Budget meeting.

Preliminary Smart Bond Investment Plan

The Voorheesville Central School District Smart Bond Investment Plan will focus on the enhancement of classroom technology. Security will also be addressed with the addition of IP security cameras and intruder locksets for all district doors. Following is the budget in the preliminary plan proposed by the Smart Schools Investment Plan Committee and approved by the Board of Education.

Educational Technology and Security - \$359,666

- Wireless Access Points - \$17,410
- Replacement of 5 instructional computer labs (137 computers) - \$131,618
- Replacement of all teacher desktops (118 computers) - \$105,728
- Six Chromebook carts (180 Chromebooks) - \$50,220
- 3D printers at each school - \$15,456
- Security cameras - \$2,984
- Intruder locks on all district interior doors - \$36,250

Annual Sustainability

The projected annual cost of sustaining a replacement plan for the hardware purchased in the Voorheesville Central School District Smart Schools Investment Plan is \$80,854.

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