

# Smart Schools Bond Act

## Implementation Plan #1

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# SSBA Purpose / Categories

1. Install high-speed broadband or wireless internet connectivity for schools and communities;
2. Acquire learning technology equipment or facilities, including but not limited to interactive whiteboards, computer servers, as well as desktop, laptop, and tablet computers;
3. Construct, enhance, and modernize educational facilities to accommodate pre-kindergarten programs and to provide instructional space to replace classroom trailers; and/or
4. Install high-tech security features in school buildings and on school campuses, including but not limited to video surveillance, emergency notification systems, and physical access controls.

# SSBA Implementation Plan:

## Wappingers CSD Allocation: **\$5,327,266**

- Include Stakeholders
- Voter Approval Not Required\*\*  
(\*where SSBA solely funds the project)
- Private / Parochial Schools must be included (\$250 / pupil)
- No minimums per category
- NYSED Approved Technology Plan
- All plans must receive final approval from NYSED SSBA Review Board
- No deadline for expenditures
- All funds distributed on **reimbursement** basis
- Capital improvements must follow NYSED capital project processes
- Approved expenditures will be reimbursed within 90 days for request

# SSBA Committee (SSBAC)

About the Committee: (19 Initial Members)

- Community Members
- Parents
- Teachers
- Administrators

Meetings-

6/23/2015: Review the SSBA Guidance Document and to talk about the 4 categories for spending.

7/28/2015: Creating the SSIP and to talk about the priorities of the district and of the committee members.

12/1/2015: Overview of the SSIP process and consensus to move forward with SSIP #1.

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## The Planning & Submittal Process Must Include:

- 1) Consultation with parents, teachers, students, community members, other stakeholders and any nonpublic schools located in the district.
- 2) The district developed and the school board approved a preliminary Smart Schools Investment Plan.
- 3) The preliminary plan was posted on the district website for at least 30 days.
- 4) An address to which any written comments on the plan should be sent:  
([plans@wcsdny.org](mailto:plans@wcsdny.org))
- 5) A hearing that enables stakeholders to respond to the preliminary plan (Jan BoE).
- 6) A final plan for school board approval and such plan has been approved by the school board.

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## Components of our SSIP #1 Submittal:

### 1. Interactive Whiteboards and Displays In Every Classroom

- a) **Issue To Be Addressed:** In May of 2015, the district conducted a classroom survey that identified 141 classrooms which still lacked interactive display technology in the front of the classroom. The SSBAC has reached consensus that we need to provide equitable access to this technology in every classroom. The district also realizes that we have a large number of classrooms where the existing technology is no longer functioning.
- b) **SSBAC Recommended Solution:** Allocate \$900,000 (**Budgetary figure based on 200 classrooms X \$4500 / classroom**) of the SSBA funds to acquire interactive whiteboards and other display technology to ensure that all classrooms have adequate and equitable instructional technology resources in each classroom.

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## Components of our SSIP #1 Submittal:

### 2. District-wide Intruder Cores

- a) **Issue To Be Addressed:** Our faculty and staff lack the ability to physically lock a classroom door from inside the classroom itself. In addition, our faculty and staff lack the ability to lock any common area space such as a restroom or cafeteria door. During a building lockdown situation, faculty must first open their classroom door to double check that the handle is in fact locked, leaving a window of opportunity for them to be discovered.
- b) **SSBAC Recommended Solution:** Allocate \$550,000 (**Budgetary figure based on 2000 doors X \$275 / door**) of the district's SSBA funds to install district-wide intruder cores in every door that will allow any employee with an existing district key to lock any classroom or common space (i.e.: restrooms or offices) from the inside of the room. This is a simple solution that can make a big difference in a situation where every second counts.

# Beyond SSIP #1

SSBA Funding Balance	
Wappingers CSD Initial Allocation	\$5,327,266
SSIP #1	\$1,450,000
Private & Parochial Allocation	\$203,000
Balance	\$3,674,266

- **Continue the work of the SSBAC**
- **Collaboration with Private and Parochial Schools**



# Private & Parochial Breakdown:

School	Enrollment (2014-15)	Allocation (\$250 / Student)
Bethel Christian	5	\$1,250
St. Denis-St. Columba	276	\$69,000
St. Mary's Fishkill	285	\$71,250
St. Mary's Wappingers	183	\$45,750
Randolph School	63	\$15,750
<b>Total:</b>	<b>812</b>	<b>\$203,000</b>

# Q&A

Thank you