

SMART SCHOOLS BOND ACT

PRELIMINARY SMART SCHOOLS INVESTMENT PLAN
SUPPLEMENTAL SUBMISSION

HORSEHEADS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

March 15, 2024

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PURPOSE

To improve learning and opportunity for public school students by funding projects to:

- Install high-speed broadband or wireless internet connectivity for schools and communities;
- Acquire learning technology equipment or facilities, including but not limited to interactive whiteboards, computer servers, and desktop, laptop, and tablet computers;
- Construct, enhance, and modernize educational facilities to accommodate prekindergarten programs and to provide instructional space to replace classroom trailers; and/or
- Install high-tech security features in school buildings and on school campuses.

*Nonpublic school students also benefit through Smart Schools classroom technology and school connectivity loans, as authorized under the Act and described more fully on the next slide.

ELIGIBLE PROJECT CATEGORIES

- 1) Classroom Learning Technology
- 2) Community Connectivity
- 3) School Connectivity – requires Office of Facilities Planning Review
- 4) Prekindergarten Classrooms – requires Office of Facilities Planning Review
- 5) Replace Transportable Classrooms – requires Office of Facilities Planning Review
- 6) High-Tech Security – requires Office of Facilities Planning Review

PLAN REQUIREMENTS

- Approved District Instructional Technology Plan on file with NYSED
- Consultation with required stakeholders and opportunity for public input
- Preliminary Smart Schools Investment Plan (SSIP) approved by Board of Education
- Preliminary SSIP posted on district website for at least 30 days with an address for written comments
- Public hearing conducted at Board of Education meeting to enable stakeholders to respond to SSIP
 - Notice of the hearing provided through local media and district website at least two weeks prior
- Final Plan developed and approved by Board of Education
- Final SSIP posted to district website for the life of the plan
- Final SSIP submitted to NYSED through Business Portal for review and approval

STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

- Consultation with required stakeholders occurred during:
 - Welliver Capital Construction Meetings – 5/19/2023
 - Non-public School Outreach (Emails & US mail) – 9/18/2023, 9/28/2023, 10/2/2023, 3/1/2024
 - Public Board of Education Meetings – 9/1/2023, 2/29/2024, 3/14/2024
 - Central Office Meetings – 11/6/2023, 1/8/2024, 3/11/2024
 - Central Office Instructional Meetings – 11/3/2023, 12/1/2023, 1/5/2024, 3/8/2024
 - Administrative Council Meetings – 11/8/2023, 3/13/2024
 - Horseheads Staff, Parent, and Family Outreach (Emails) – 2/28/2024, 3/8/2024
 - Community Engagement Committee Meetings – 2/28/2024

NON-PUBLIC SCHOOL INCLUSION

- Required for districts purchasing technology in Classroom Learning Technology/School Connectivity categories.
- Non-public loan amounts calculated by taking the amount the district budgets for loanable devices in School Connectivity and/or Classroom Learning Technology and dividing by total 2014-15 enrollment of public & nonpublic (up to \$250/child).
- Non-public loan distribution based on most recent SED-approved enrollment at time of district's plan approval
- In-district non-public schools must be given the opportunity to participate in technology loans.
- The district will select a date by which purchase requests must be received by the district – not to be required to be made earlier than June 1st of each year.
- The following in-district non-public schools have confirmed their plans to participate:
 - Chemung Valley Montessori School (approximately \$4,822.20)
 - Foundations Christian School (approximately \$1,800.29)
 - Twin Tiers Christian School (approximately \$8,165.59)
 - Saint Mary Our Mother School (approximately \$6,493.89)

PROJECT SCOPE

- Smart Schools Bond Act (Supplemental Submission) Allocation = \$241,214
- The proposed Classroom Learning Technology project will enhance teaching and learning through the purchase of:
 - 6 Interactive Whiteboards for Big Flats Elementary School
 - 5 Interactive Whiteboards for Gardner Road Elementary School
 - 7 Interactive Whiteboards for Ridge Road Elementary School
 - 10 Interactive Whiteboards with Mobile Carts for Center Street Elementary School
 - 171 Laptop Computers for Horseheads High School

PROJECT CATEGORY OVERVIEW

Category – Classroom Learning Technology	Sub-allocation
Interactive Whiteboards (28 total)	\$97,664
Computer Servers	\$0
Desktop Computers	\$0
Laptop Computers (171 total)	\$110,268
Tablet Computers	\$0
Other Costs – Mobile Carts for Interactive Whiteboards (10 total)	\$12,000
TOTAL	\$219,932

PLAN OVERVIEW

Project Category	Sub-allocation
School Connectivity	\$0
Community Connectivity	\$0
Classroom Learning Technology	\$219,932
Prekindergarten Classrooms	\$0
Replace Transportable Classrooms	\$0
High Tech Security	\$0
Non-public Loan	\$21,282
TOTAL	\$241,214

NEXT STEPS

- Board reviews and approves Preliminary Smart Schools Investment Plan (3/14/2024)
- Preliminary Plan posted on district website for at least 30 days with address for comments (3/15/2024)
- Board conducts a hearing at regular Board meeting for stakeholder input (4/18/2024)
 - Notice of hearing provided to local media and on district website at least two weeks prior
- District prepares Final Smart Schools Investment Plan for Board approval
- Final Plan posted on district website for the life of the plan
- District submits Final Plan to NYSED for their review and approval

ADDRESS TO SEND WRITTEN COMMENTS

Written comments on the Smart Schools Preliminary Investment Plan Supplemental Submission can be emailed to hcsdinfo@horseheadsdistrict.com or mailed to:

1 Raider Lane
Horseheads, NY 14845
ATTN: SSBA Preliminary Investment Plan