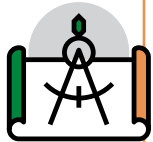




CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Over one year ago, the Board of Education and district administration began work with a team of architects and engineers to propose a capital construction project to address the most critical facility needs of our district. **The items identified in the Fall of 2019 were crucial then and they are even more so now.**

WHAT IS a School Capital Improvement Project?



Just like a home, school facilities need regular attention and upkeep to continue to operate year after year as originally intended.

The cost of keeping up with the daily wear and tear caused by thousands of students, staff and visitors can rise above what the annual school budget can support.

Capital improvement projects are a way for school districts to access state aid to complete a larger amount of facilities work than possible within the scope of the annual school budget.

REDUCING the Wallet Impact



Leveraging state aid

State aid reduces the cost for local taxpayers. Principal and interest costs for eligible capital improvement projects are reimbursed by the state at state-calculated rates.

Total project cost for Phase 1	\$16.7 million
Contribution by NY state aid	90%
Average tax increase on a Hudson Falls home of \$150,000	\$7.00 per year \$6.00 per year with STAR \$4.00 per year with SR STAR

Project PHASES



The Board, along with the Buildings and Grounds Committee, best determined to break the project into three unique phases:

Phase 1

Phase 1's \$16.7 million proposal will go before voters on Feb. 23, 2021.

Phase 1 will address repairs and upgrades that are critical and essential now to meet safety needs, code requirements, replace aging roofs, as well as consideration for improvements to the high school library and auditorium.

Phase 2

Phase 2 will be the district's opportunity to meet the remaining roofing replacement needs throughout the buildings. Phase 2 will include renovations to fitness and science/technology classrooms to meet 21st century standards. **Projected timeline: Sept. 2022 - Sept. 2025.**

Phase 3

In Phase 3 mechanical and code improvements will be completed. Included in the final phases will be a special emphasis on special area classrooms (i.e. music, art, science and special education). **Projected timeline: Sept. 2024 - Sept. 2027.**

For more information:

www.hfcsd.org/capital-improvement-project

30%



Nearly 30 percent of home buyers list school quality as a deciding factor in their home purchase.

10.9%



Student test scores climb 10.9 percent when school buildings are improved and modernized.

VOTE DATE:

Tuesday, Feb. 23

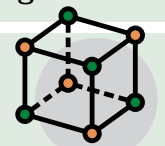
On Tuesday, Feb. 23, HFCSD residents will head to the polls to vote on a \$16.7 million proposal.

TOP 5



In an Oct. 2019 Thoughtexchange, Hudson Falls community members ranked safety of buildings and better heating and air systems in the top five most immediate needs to consider during facility improvement planning.

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Nine fundamental building factors influence health and performance: ventilation, air quality, thermal health, moisture, dust and pests, safety and security, water quality, noise, and lighting and views.