



PROPOSED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

COMMUNITY FORUM

Tuesday
December 6, 2016
6:00pm – 7:00pm
Tully Junior/Senior
High School Library

PROJECT VOTE

Tuesday
December 13, 2016
6:00am – 9:00pm
Tully Elementary
School Conference
Room (same as the
annual budget vote)

VOTING INFO

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Dear District Residents:

Every five years, school districts in New York State must complete a Building Condition Survey (BCS). In doing so, school districts are able to identify capital improvement needs extending out at least 10 years. During the 2014-15 school year, Tully Schools hired an architectural firm to help us complete our most recent BCS. When they finished this process, our architects were able to create a prioritized list of capital improvement needs to be addressed over the next 10 years.

In July of 2015, our Board of Education established a Capital Project Committee. This committee was charged with analyzing the results of our Building Condition Survey and mapping out a long range plan to address our capital improvement needs. During the course of the 2015-16 school year, our Capital Project Committee worked with architects and engineers to accomplish these two tasks. Based upon recommendations from this committee, our Board of Education adopted a resolution in September of 2016 authorizing a referendum to be held on December 13, 2016, for the purpose of allowing district residents to vote on a \$12.3 million capital improvement project.

Immediate maintenance needs addressed in this proposed capital improvement project include replacing some of our older roofs, repaving most of the paved surfaces on our school campus, replacing the heating system in our elementary school, and renovating the restrooms at our Junior/Senior High School. In addition to these maintenance items, there are several safety and security concerns that should be addressed. These include creating more secure main entrances at our Elementary School and at our Junior/Senior High School, creating better traffic patterns off of Route 80 onto our school campus, and creating traffic patterns that allow for on-campus parent drop-off and pick-up at our elementary school. A more complete list of the items included in this proposed capital improvement project is included inside this newsletter.

In order to minimize the impact on the local tax levy, our Board of Education is proposing that we use a mix of funding sources to pay for this proposed project. New York State Building Aid, along with funds freed up from retiring debt on prior capital improvement projects, can be used to pay for 89.9% of the cost of this proposed project. Funds from our Capital Project Reserve and from our Repair Reserve can be used to pay for 6.4% of the cost this proposed project. This leaves 3.7% of the cost of this proposed project to be covered by additions to the local tax levy. This mix of funding would increase the local tax levy by less than 1%.

In proposing this capital improvement project we have two main objectives. The first is to ensure that our current Tully students have a safe and healthy learning environment. The second is to ensure that Tully Schools are here for future generations of Tully students.

Please take a moment to read through this newsletter, prior to voting on Tuesday, December 13th. Thank you very much for your consideration of this project, and as always feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely
Robert Hughes
Superintendent of Schools

TULLY ELEMENTARY

- Repave/reconfigure parking lots to improve safety
- Repair/restore exterior masonry
- Repair/replace exterior stairs and improve ADA access
- Replace roof
- Install security glass at entrances and in cafeteria
- Repair/upgrade interior corridor wall finishes
- Install security hardware on classroom doors
- Reconfigure main office/nurse's office to enhance security
- Create secure main entrance vestibules
- Replace heating system
- Upgrade HVAC/ventilation system
- Replace fire alarm/emergency lighting systems

MAINTENANCE FACILITY

- Replace exterior doors
- Install energy efficient windows
- Partial roof replacement
- Replace heating system
- Install ventilation system
- Upgrade electrical system
- Install fire alarm/emergency lighting system

TULLY JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL

- Repave and reconfigure parking lots to improve safety
- Replace/repair sidewalks and curbing
- Repair/restore exterior masonry
- Replace some exterior doors
- Install security glass at entrances and in library
- Partial roof replacement
- Repair/upgrade cafeteria (including wall integrated tables)
- Reconfigure main office/create new secure entrance
- Renovate/enlarge public restrooms adjacent to main gymnasium
- Renovate boys/girls bathrooms
- Replace some existing hallway lockers
- Install security hardware on classroom doors
- Upgrade existing fire alarm system

BUS GARAGE

- Repair exterior masonry
- Replace roof
- Replace door hardware
- Install ventilation system
- Install fire alarm/emergency lighting system



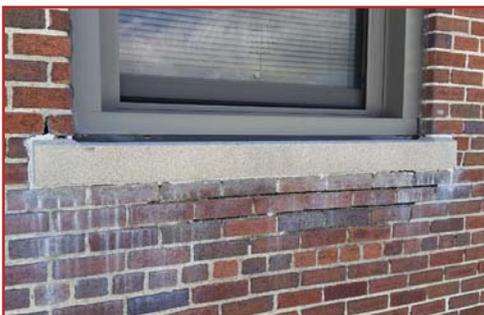
Sidewalks, curbs, and pavement at the Elementary School in need of replacement.



Elementary School boilers in need of replacement.



Stairs and entrances doors at the Elementary School in need of repair.



Masonry at the Elementary School in need of repointing.



Roofs at the Junior/Senior High School in need of replacement.



Sidewalks, curbs, and pavement at the Junior/Senior High School in need of replacement.

Cost Per \$100,000 Assessed Home

COSTS

$$\$57^{86} - \$50^{47} = \$7^{39}$$

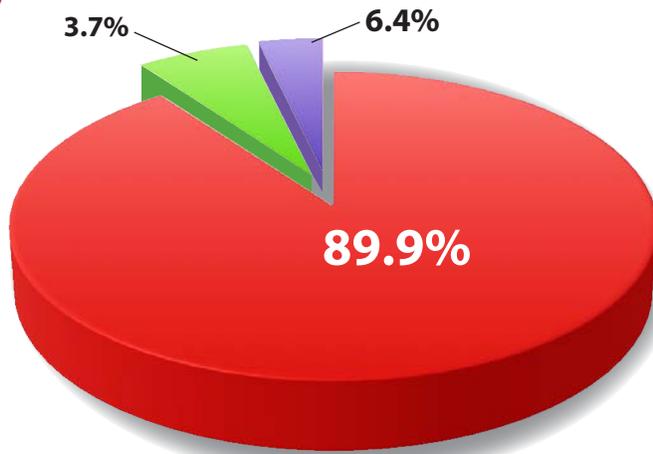
Local Tax Impact
Per Year

Local Tax Impact of
Retiring Debt from
Prior Capital Projects

Local Net Tax
Impact Per Year

Revenue Sources

FUNDING



89.9% of the total project cost will be funded by New York State Building Aid and through contributions made from retiring debt on prior capital projects.

6.4% of the total project cost will be funded through the use of funds from the Capital Project Reserve Funds and Repair Reserve

3.7% of the total project cost will be funded by additional new local taxes

Project Schedule

TIMELINE

	<u>Start</u>	<u>Finish</u>
Public Referendum	December 13, 2016	
Project Design	December 2016	May 2017
Estimated SED Review/Approval	June 2017	January 2018
Construction	May 2018	October 2018

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OR RURAL ROUTE PATRON

PROJECT VOTE

**TUESDAY
DEC. 13
2016
6AM – 9PM
Tully
Elementary
Conference
Room**

**VOTER
QUALIFICATIONS**

In order to vote you must be:

- a United States citizen;
- at least 18 years of age;
- a resident of the school district for at least 30 days preceding the vote

VOTING INFORMATION

What You Will See at the Voting Machine:

PROPOSITION— Shall the Board of Education make renovations and improvements to the Junior/Senior High School, Elementary School, Maintenance Building and Bus Garage including for each, site improvements, original furnishings, fixtures and equipment, architectural fees, and all other costs incidental to such work (the "Project") at a total estimated cost not to exceed \$12,300,000 and obtain the necessary funds by using any available State building aid (including Excel Aid), \$500,000 from the District's Capital Reserve, \$433,698 from the District's Repair Reserve and, to the extent necessary, the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of the School District to be collected in annual installments in the years and in the amounts as the Board of Education shall determine and in anticipation of such tax shall the School District be authorized to issue up to \$11,366,302 of obligations of the School District and levy a tax to pay the interest thereon when due.

Absentee Ballots: Qualified voters may obtain applications for absentee ballots from the office of the School District clerk. Completed applications for absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk no later than December 6, 2016 if the absentee ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or December 12, 2016 if the ballot is to be personally delivered to the voter. A listing of all persons to whom an absentee ballot is issued will be available for inspection by any qualified voter during regular business hours in the Office of the Clerk of the School District through December 12, 2016.