Dear District Residents:

Every five years public schools 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, this architectural firm created a prioritized list of capital improvement needs to be addressed over a 10 year period of time. This 2015 BCS allowed the Board of Education and District Administrators to create a long-term Capital Improvement Plan, and to engage in long-term financial planning to support Capital Improvements to our school campus.

Through the current 2018 Capital Project, we have been able to address many infrastructure and safety needs identified within the 2015 BCS. For example, we replaced roofing, updated our Elementary School heating system, and repaved our parking lots. We also reconfigured traffic flow on our campus, redesigned the main entrances to both school buildings, and replaced the fire alarm systems in both school buildings. As a result of these efforts our students are certainly safer and more comfortable than they were four years ago. But there is still much more work to be done.

With our proposed 2022 Capital Project, we hope to accomplish three things. First, we hope to continue with the infrastructure work begun during the 2018 Capital Project. Second, we hope to begin renovating older classroom spaces within both of our school buildings. Third, we hope to make improvements to our art, music, and athletic facilities. A specific list of items included within our proposed 2022 Capital Project can be found inside this newsletter.

This proposed 2022 Capital Project will have no impact on the local tax levy. New York State Building Aid will cover most of the costs. Funds from the District’s Capital Reserve will be used to offset what State Aid will not cover. A specific breakdown of funding for this proposed 2022 Capital Project can also be found inside this newsletter.

Finally, during the 2019-20 school year we anticipate needing to complete our next BCS. We will use the results of this next BCS to update our long-term Capital Improvement Plan. As with our current Capital Improvement Plan, the goal of this next plan will be to provide the best possible learning environment for our students, in the most cost-effective manner possible.

Sincerely,
Robert Hughes, Superintendent of Schools
WORK SUMMARY

SCOPE OF WORK

TULLY ELEMENTARY
- Replace sidewalks and stairs at select locations
- Install emergency generator
- Upgrade lighting system
- Replace classroom casework
- Restore masonry at State Street entrance
- Replace interior doors, windows, and hardware
- Renovate Auditorium
- Renovate District / Business Offices
- Renovate student restrooms
- Install A/C in library
- Upgrade water supply lines
- Improve mechanical systems

TULLY JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL
- Replace sidewalks at select locations
- Replace aging HVAC equipment
- New concession building near football field
- Construct athletic equipment storage buildings
- Renovate student restrooms
- Replace interior doors, windows, and hardware
- Renovate Guidance / Nurse's Offices
- Renovate agriculture and art classrooms
- Renovate locker rooms
- Install new bleachers in the main gymnasium
- Renovate Auditorium
- Create new public restrooms near volleyball gymnasium
- Upgrade finishes and lighting in select classrooms
- Create Junior High School Learning Commons
- Install A/C in library
- Improve mechanical systems

MAINTENANCE BUILDING
- Improve ventilation in vehicle bays
- Upgrade smoke and fire alarm system
- Upgrade emergency exit lights

BUS GARAGE
- Improvements to building exterior
- Replace fire alarm system
- Upgrade emergency exit lighting system

Elementary school auditorium in need of renovation

Elementary School classroom in need of renovations

Elementary school bathroom in need of renovation
**REVENUE SOURCES**

- **75%** of the total project cost will be funded by New York State Building Aid.
- **25%** of the total project cost will be funded through the use of funds from the Capital Reserve.

**NO ADDITIONAL TAX IMPACT**

**PROJECT TIMELINE**

**Public Referendum**
- **Start**: October 28, 2019
- **Finish**:

**Phase I Design**
- **Start**: November 2019
- **SED Review**: January 2020
- **Construction**: July 2020
- **Finish**: December 2019

**Phase II Design**
- **Start**: November 2019
- **SED Review**: October 2020
- **Construction**: July 2022
- **Finish**: September 2023

**DATES**

**Junior/Senior High School art room in need of renovation**

**Junior/Senior High School Locker room in need of renovation**

**Junior/Senior High School bathrooms in need of renovation**
TO: LOCAL POST OFFICE BOXHOLDER
OR RURAL ROUTE PATRON

VOTING INFORMATION

What You Will See at the Voting Booth:

PROPOSITION — Shall the Board of Education undertake a project consisting of renovations and improvements to the District’s Junior/Senior High School, Elementary School, Maintenance Building and Bus Garage including for each, mechanical, HVAC, electrical and plumbing improvements and upgrades, 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 $10,700,000, and obtain the necessary funds by using any available State building aid, $2,750,000 from the District’s Capital Reserve approved by the voters of the District on May 16, 2017, 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 $7,950,000 of obligations of the School District and levy a tax to pay the interest thereon when due.

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

Absente 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 October 21, 2019 if the absentee ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or October 27, 2019 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 October 27, 2019.