

Canastota Central School District
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Canastota, NY 13032

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2023 Capital Improvement Project

Canastota Central School District

A MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

The Canastota Central School District is pleased to present a new capital project proposal for your consideration. The proposal is focused on accomplishing two of the most important responsibilities of a school district:

1. Provide a safe, secure learning environment that provides our students with the opportunity to best meet the challenges that await them
2. Maintain a tax levy that is respectful to our taxpayers

The proposal that we are bringing to District voters addresses both of these priorities. In order to provide the best possible learning environment for our students, we must start with safety. A primary component of the proposed project is the redesign of the traffic pattern at both the Roberts Street Complex as well as South Side Elementary. Creating separate bus and parent traffic loops will make arrival and dismissal times much smoother at both sites. The redesigned bus loop/parent pick-up will greatly enhance the safety and efficiency of each building. Additional parking at Peterboro Street Elementary will also be a center point of the project. Through both redesigned traffic patterns and additional parking capacity, students, staff, parents and all community members will have an enhanced experience when coming to campus.

In addition to the aforementioned exterior work, much needed renovations to the large gathering spaces used by both students as well as the larger community will also be addressed. The auditorium, gymnasiums and cafeterias in each of the buildings will all receive an update. Instructional areas like the Art rooms at the Roberts Street Complex will also be renovated. The main cooking kitchen and all the serving kitchens will be updated to allow for the increased demand reflected in our student breakfast and lunch participation numbers. Renovations will allow for more creative cooking options, a friendlier seating environment and also address the acoustics.

Every five years, districts receive an updated assessment regarding the overall condition of their facilities called a Building Condition Survey. While not always the attention-grabbing items, it is essential that the District maintain our structural, plumbing, electrical and roofing systems in order to allow for energy efficient operations and to prevent significant costs down the road resulting from a failing infrastructure.

Our second obligation is to continue to be responsible stewards of taxpayer dollars. We are excited to announce that the proposed capital project will not result in an increase in local taxes. Given our high projected state aid rate of 85%+ the district is able to capture a significant amount of funding for capital projects. A capital expense in essence costs the taxpayers pennies on the dollar. The District has strategically built up its capital reserves in recent years, and this will allow the District to offset the local cost not covered by state aid. Therefore, there will be no increase to local taxes as a result of the capital project. In conclusion, the District is pleased to propose a project that not only maintains our facilities and provides for enhanced safety and efficiency throughout our district, but does so in a cost efficient manner.

Please contact Tracy Leone at 315-697-2025 with any questions that you might have regarding the proposed capital project. Also please consult our website regularly regarding information about the various presentations we will be offering to interested community members in the coming weeks.



PLEASE VOTE

Tuesday, December 5th, 2023 | 1:00 PM - 9:00 PM

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PROPOSED SCOPE OF WORK

Roberts Street Complex

- Parking/Bus Loop/Student Drop-Off
- Cafeteria Renovations
- Kitchen/Serving Renovations
- New Lighting at Parking Lots and Sidewalks
- Gymnasium Renovations
- Auditorium Renovations
- Fitness Center Renovations
- Art Room Renovations
- Infrastructure Upgrades

Transportation

- Resurface Remaining Existing Parking Lot
- Infrastructure Upgrades

Peterboro Street Elementary

- Additional Parking
- Cafeteria Renovations
- Kitchen/Serving Renovations
- Gymnasium Renovations
- Infrastructure Upgrades

South Side Elementary

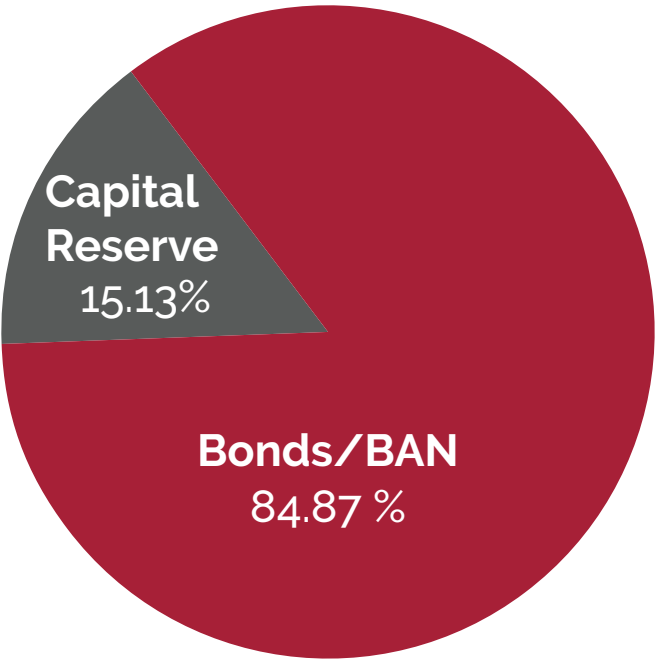
- Additional Parking & Student Drop-Off
- Cafeteria Renovations
- Kitchen/Serving Renovations
- Gymnasium Renovations
- Infrastructure Upgrades

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Proposed Project Cost
\$ 30,000,000

Capital Reserve
\$ 4,538,087

Bonds/BAN
\$ 25,461,913



The proposed project is tax neutral and will have
NO ADDITIONAL TAX IMPACT

COMMUNITY FORUM

11|27|23

6:30 pm

Roberts Street Elementary School

VOTE

12|05|23

1:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Roberts Street Complex Cafeteria B

