

TRUMANSBURG CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

CAPITAL PROJECT 2018

Building On Our Past, Investing In Our Children

MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT



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Dear Trumansburg Central School District Community Members,

Our District has a strong history of providing quality programs and facilities for our children. On March 13th of this year the Trumansburg Central School District residents will be voting on a “**no additional tax impact**” capital project. The project is another step to continue enhancing our buildings and programs for current and future students.

In an effort to protect our past investments, the District and the Board of Education worked diligently to develop a plan. The work began with the Building Condition Survey as required by the New York State Education Department to ensure school districts are planning for and maintaining district facilities. This plan outlines a scope of work which, among other things, replaces items giving way to years of normal wear and tear such as boiler replacements in all three schools and partial roof replacement at the Elementary and High Schools. The remainder of the project includes program related items such as Pre-K classroom renovations and repurposing of several existing rooms to one STEM learning space in each of three school buildings. This project will improve the overall educational experience for our current and future generations of children.

The capital project will cost \$24,997,422 and is not expected to require additional taxes on the part of our community. There will two community meetings held in the coming weeks. These meetings will include a presentation of the details of the proposed project with a question and answer session to follow. We encourage all district residents to attend the informational presentation to learn the specifics of this proposed capital project and what it can do for our community. We believe you will find that the proposed project will only improve the Trumansburg Central School District and positively impact our community as a whole.

Kimberly Bell, Superintendent of Schools

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12:00 noon - 8:00 pm
Ulysses Historical Society
39 South St. Trumansburg, NY

PROJECT AT A GLANCE

Below are a few of the project work bullets that have been included in the capital project proposition. These bullets have been specifically chosen because of the need for improvements and upgrades to our district.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- STEM Addition
- STEM/Computer Room Renovations
- Art Room Renovations
- Pre-K Renovations & Additions
- Administrative Office Renovations
- Support Services Renovations
- Gym Partition Improvements
- Auditorium Curtains and Rigging Improvements
- Replace Kitchen Cooler/Freezer
- Master Clock System
- Emergency Lighting Improvements
- Fire Alarm & Smoke Detection Improvements
- Ventilation Improvements in Occupied Spaces
- Boiler Replacement
- Partial Roof Replacement

MIDDLE SCHOOL

- STEM/Computer Room Renovations

MIDDLE SCHOOL (continued)

- Administrative Office Renovations
- Support Services Offices Renovations
- Home & Careers Renovations
- Gym/Auditorium Renovations
- Gym Locker Room Renovations
- Kitchen & Cafeteria Renovations
- Corridor Locker Replacement
- Master Clock System
- Heating & Ventilation Improvements Throughout the Building
- Distribution Piping and Pump Improvements Throughout the Building
- Boiler Replacement

HIGH SCHOOL

- STEM/Technology Renovations
- Art Room/Computer Classroom Addition
- Health Classroom Renovations
- Resource/Learning Center Renovations

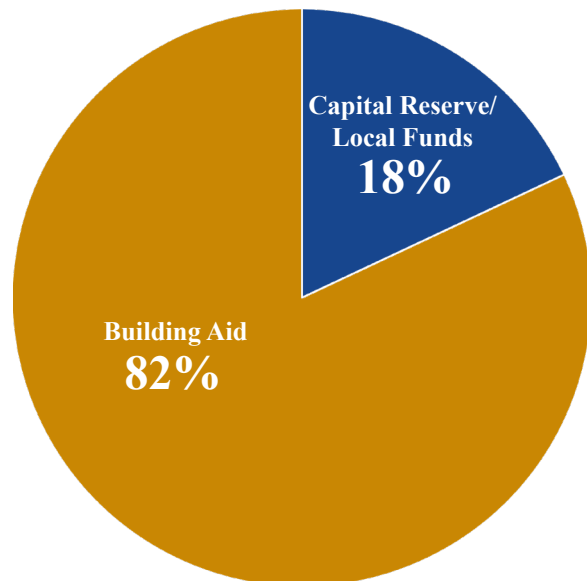
HIGH SCHOOL (continued)

- Library Renovations
- Fitness Center Renovations
- Girls Locker Room Renovations
- Secure Main Entrance Improvements
- Auditorium Curtain and Rigging Improvements
- Gymnasium Partition Removal
- Corridor Locker Replacement
- Cafeteria Flooring Replacement
- Asbestos Abatement
- Ventilation Improvement in Occupied Spaces
- Provide Cooling in IT Closets
- Boiler Replacement
- Master Clock System
- Emergency Lighting Improvements
- Fire Alarm & Smoke Detection Improvements
- Electrical Panel Upgrades
- Partial Roof Replacement
- Main Entrance Canopy Replacement
- District Office Parking Lot Replacement

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The total cost of the proposed project is \$24,997,422. It will be funded and paid for with **no increase in local taxes** for residents of the Trumansburg Central School District.

Project funds will come from the following areas:



Q. How will my school taxes be affected by this project?

A. With the retirement of the debt from previous capital projects, state aid on eligible expenditures and the use of capital reserves, there would be **no increased tax impact** for the proposed additions and renovations.

NO ADDITIONAL TAX IMPACT

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

During the development of this project a number of questions have been asked by the community and staff. It is our intent to post the questions that are posed the most and provide the answers. Here are some of the most frequently asked questions so far:

Q. What is the scope of the proposed project?

A. The scope of this project addresses the needs of the District outlined in the 2015 Building Condition Survey (BCS), performed by Hunt Engineers, Architects and Land Surveyors. The BCS outlines an expansive list of items broken into categories including health and safety, system lifecycle replacement and district educational goals. From that list, the Board of Education (BOE) and the Administrative Team prioritized the items to be included in the scope of the project. The scope includes health and safety items, replacement of the heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) system at the Middle School, renovations for Pre-K spaces at the Elementary School, new boilers, and reconfiguration of classroom spaces at all buildings. The scope of work at the High School also includes renovations in the library/learning center, cafeteria, and fitness center, relocation of the girls' locker room to meet state requirements, and improvements to the theatrical stage rigging and lighting systems.

Another focus of the project is the incorporation of more STEM spaces in order to support our educational goals for the expansion of the STEM program.

Q. How was the project developed?

A. The BOE and Administration created a Facilities Advisory Committee to determine how our educational facilities meet the current and future demands of our curriculum. A series of meetings were held that vetted the current state of our facilities, the required renovations to existing buildings, and variations of building configurations. The options were narrowed down to two project options for the BOE to consider. After much consideration and feedback from stakeholder groups, the BOE decided to put forward the option that was the best fit for our students and our community.

Q. Why now?

A. Time is of the essence. In order to address the school districts BCS needs, we must act quickly as there are building systems in jeopardy of failing. For example, our Middle School's aging HVAC system control system depends on a building automation system that is no longer supported by the manufacturer. Aging roof systems at the High School and Elementary are now beyond their useful life.

Also time sensitive is our ability to implement a robust STEM curriculum in our schools. Our facilities need modifications in order to meet the rapidly changing landscape of education. The time is now.

Q. What is the timeline if the proposed project is approved?

A. If voters approve the project, design work will commence immediately. The phases of the project will look something like this (subject to change):

Design and Creation of Project Documents: March 2018-March 2019

State Education Department Review: March 2019-December 2019

Project Bidding and Construction: Spring 2020- Fall 2021

Q. What if the vote fails?

A. The Board of Education will have to consider how to best move forward with facility maintenance and up-grades. We may have to increase taxes within the general budget to accomplish some of the immediate health, safety and system life cycle needs. In addition, we would need to find another way to meet the educational goals of our District.

Q. If I have no children in the district, why should I approve this proposition?

A. Schools are the cornerstone of our community. These facilities are used year round by our students, staff, and community members. Our students and our community programs need these facility improvements in order sustain the quality of education and programming that we expect in Trumansburg.

Q. How can I learn more about the project?

A. We are holding a Community Meeting on, February 26th and March 5th, at 6:00 and 5:30 PM respectively in the High School Library. You can also learn more by visiting www.tburgschools.org or calling 607-387-7551.

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COMMUNITY MEETINGS

Meeting #1

Monday, February 26, 2018

6:00pm

High School Library

Meeting #2

Monday, March 5, 2018

5:30pm

High School Library

The community meeting will include a presentation of the proposed project details followed by a question and answer session. **The high school is located at 100 Whig Street Trumansburg, NY 14886**

VOTE INFORMATION

Tuesday, March 13, 2018

12:00 noon - 8:00pm

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VOTER ELIGIBILITY

- Citizen of U.S.
- At least 18 years of age
- Legal resident of the Trumansburg Central School District at least 30 days prior to vote
- **You do not need to be a registered voter**

ABSENTEE BALLOT

The option of using an absentee ballot is available to qualified voters of the school district who are unable to personally appear to vote. An application must be completed in order to receive an absentee ballot. The completed ballot must be received by the District Clerk no later than 5 PM on Tuesday, March 13, 2018. You may call (607) 387-7551 to request an application.

For project related questions please contact the Trumansburg CSD office by telephone at **(607) 387-7551**.