Referendum

November 6, 2018



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Referendum Details

We are asking voters to approve funding to make immediate repairs and upgrades to keep Keyport Public Schools safe, functional, and efficient.

WHAT?	WHY?	SOLUTIONS
Main Entry Secure Vestibule and ADA Upgrades	The High School main entrance is not ADA compliant and currently a staff member must sit in the vestibule to greet people as they arrive at the school to direct them to the main office.	Convert the existing vestibule to a secure vestibule by rebuilding the existing staircase to prevent access to the lower level and provide visual access from the main office to the vestibule via a transaction window. The entry will be made ADA compliant by rebuilding the existing exterior staircase with a ramp and adding a lift to the vestibule
Classroom Door Hardware Replacement	The existing classroom doors in both the Central School and High School have existing hardware that does not meet today's security recommendations.	By replacing all existing classroom locksets with intruder function locksets the classrooms would be more secure for students and staff in a lockdown or emergency situation.
Ceiling Replacement	The existing concealed spline ceilings are over 60 years old and beyond their useful life.	Replacing these concealed spline ceilings with suspended acoustical ceiling systems would offer a safer more structurally sound ceiling system for the children, staff and community.
Vinyl Asbestos Tile Abatement	Both the Central School and High School have areas where outdated vinyl asbestos tile has been identified.	Replacing this tile with a new vinyl composite tile would offer a safer environment and reduce the amount of hazardous material in the buildings.
HVAC Upgrades	Large portions of the current HVAC systems at both the Central School and High School are over 25 years old and past its intended life expectancy. Most of the Central School classroom units are 50+ years old. The combinations of age and normal wear and tear on the units have resulted in costly repairs using parts that are increasingly more difficult to locate.	Replacing the HVAC system would provide a reliable energy efficient system, which would reduce monthly utility bills as well as prevent costly repairs that continue to place a significant strain on the school's already limited budget. More importantly, replacing the system would help ensure that we do not experience disruptions during the school year. Remember, if there is no heat, there is no school!
Hot Water Boiler Plants	There is a large portion of the Central School and High School that is still heated with steam via pipes that are constantly leaking. The combinations of age and normal wear and tear have resulted in costly repairs to the piping systems. The Central School is in critical need of the code required backflow preventers that would prevent boiler water from mixing back with the building potable drinking water upon pressure loss in the domestic water systems.	Upgrades to a full hot water system would provide for increased reliability, better space temperature control, and would eliminate leaking that could cause further damage in the future. The backflow preventers would reduce the possibly of boiler water mixing with potable drinking water.





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Masonry & Envelope Repairs	The exterior walls at Central School and the High School have several areas where cracking has occurred in the masonry.	Repairs to these walls would limit the potential for water infiltration, and reduce the potential structural problems in the future.
Upgrade Fire Alarm Systems	The fire alarm system at the Central School and High Schools are an old non-addressable system that is not ADA compliant.	The upgrade would replace the existing system with a code compliant fire alarm voice evacuation system that can also be used for voice alerts to the entire building for both fire events and also emergency events, which promotes clear communication to all building occupants. Our goal is always to reduce potential safety hazards in the school, and by replacing the outdated fire alarm system and bringing it up to today's standards, we can provide a safer environment for all those within the school.
Electrical System Upgrades	The electric system in the original part of both the Central School and High School are over 40+ years old, as old as the building and additions themselves, exceeding their intended life spans. It is also an upgrade that is required at the High School when replacing the HVAC system with new air conditioning loads.	The upgrade would replace the outdated electric panel and bring it up to today's codes and standards. Our goal is always to reduce potential safety hazards in the school, and by replacing the outdated electrical panels and bringing it up to today's standards, we can ensure a safe environment for all those within the school.
Lighting and Controls	The existing lighting in both the Central School and High School is 10+ year old fluorescent technology that is inefficient compared with current LED lighting technology. Since the concealed spline existing ceilings are being replaced, it makes sense to replace the lighting at the same time.	Significant energy savings can be realized by installing new LED lights along with sensors for automatic on/off control and dimming of the lighting in response to teacher's needs and daylighting.
Window Stool (Sill) Replacement	The existing interior masonry window sills appear to be original to the building and are falling apart in a number of locations.	By replacing these window sills, it would allow for a safer environment and reduced maintenance.



