

# WHITE PLAINS CITY SD

## Smart Schools Investment Plan -

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1. **Please enter the name of the person to contact regarding this submission.**

Ronald Velez

- 1a. **Please enter their phone number for follow up questions.**

914-422-2480

- 1b. **Please enter their e-mail address for follow up contact.**

ronvelez@wpcsd.k12.ny.us

2. **Please indicate below whether this is the first submission, a new submission or an amended submission of a Smart Schools Investment Plan.**

First submission

3. **All New York State public school districts are required to complete and submit a District Instructional Technology Plan survey to the New York State Education Department in compliance with Section 753 of the Education Law and per Part 100.12 of the Commissioner's Regulations. Districts that include investments in high-speed broadband or wireless connectivity and/or learning technology equipment or facilities as part of their Smart Schools Investment Plan must have a submitted and approved Instructional Technology Plan survey on file with the New York State Education Department.**

**By checking this box, you certify that the school district has an approved District Instructional Technology Plan survey on file with the New York State Education Department.**

District Educational Technology Plan Submitted to SED and Approved (Checked)

4. **Pursuant to the requirements of the Smart Schools Bond Act, the planning process must include consultation with parents, teachers, students, community members, other stakeholders and any nonpublic schools located in the district.**

**By checking the boxes below, you are certifying that you have engaged with those required stakeholders. Each box must be checked prior to submitting your Smart Schools Investment Plan.**

Parents (Checked)

Teachers (Checked)

Students (Checked)

Community members (Checked)

- 4a. **If your district contains non-public schools, have you provided a timely opportunity for consultation with these stakeholders?**

Yes

5. **Certify that the following required steps have taken place by checking the boxes below: Each box must be checked prior to submitting your Smart Schools Investment Plan.**

The district developed and the school board approved a preliminary Smart Schools Investment Plan. (Checked)

The preliminary plan was posted on the district website for at least 30 days. The district included an address to which any written comments on the plan should be sent. (Checked)

The school board conducted a hearing that enabled stakeholders to respond to the preliminary plan. This hearing may have occurred as part of a normal Board meeting, but adequate notice of the event must have been provided through local media and the district website for at least two weeks prior to the meeting. (Checked)

The district prepared a final plan for school board approval and such plan has been approved by the school board. (Checked)

The final proposed plan that has been submitted has been posted on the district's website. (Checked)

- 5a. **Please upload the proposed plan that was posted on the district's website.**

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6. Please enter an estimate of the total number of students and staff that will benefit from this Smart Schools Investment Plan based on the cumulative projects submitted to date.

8,289

7. An LEA/School District may partner with one or more other LEA/School Districts to form a consortium to pool Smart Schools Bond Act funds for a project that meets all other Smart School Bond Act requirements. Each school district participating in the consortium will need to file an approved Smart Schools Investment Plan for the project and submit a signed Memorandum of Understanding that sets forth the details of the consortium including the roles of each respective district.

(No Response)

8. Please enter the name and 6-digit SED Code for each LEA/School District participating in the Consortium.

Partner LEA/District	SED BEDS Code
(No Response)	(No Response)

9. Please upload a signed Memorandum of Understanding with all of the participating Consortium partners.

(No Response)

10. Please enter your district's Total Allocation of Smart Schools Bond Act funds. This amount is available at: <http://programs.governor.ny.gov/smart-schools-ny>. A complete listing of all district allocations is available on the SSBA website.

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11. Enter the budget sub-allocations by category that you are submitting for approval at this time. If you are not budgeting SSBA funds for a category, please enter 0 (zero.) If the value entered is \$0, you will not be required to complete that survey question.

	Sub-Allocations
School Connectivity	1,746,127
Connectivity Projects for Communities	0
Classroom Technology	0
Pre-Kindergarten Classrooms	0
Replace Transportable Classrooms	0
High-Tech Security Features	0
<b>Totals:</b>	1,746,127.00

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- 1. Briefly describe how you intend to use Smart Schools Bond Act funds for high-speed broadband and/or wireless connectivity projects in school buildings.**

The White Plains School District intends on using Smart Schools Bond Act funds for capital construction costs to install new broadband network and enterprise WiFi networking equipment on a one-time, capital improvement basis in order to expand broadband network access and increase wireless capacity in and around the school buildings for our students. Funding will be used for the purchase of all of the network/access costs, school internal connections/components and professional services required for the capital construction project. Funding for this capital project will ensure all school building meet or exceed the Federal Communications Commission minimum speed standard of 100 Mbps per 1,000 students.

- 2. Briefly describe the linkage between the district's District Instructional Technology Plan and the proposed projects. (There should be a link between your response to this question and your response to Question 1 in Part E. Curriculum and Instruction "What are the district's plans to use digital connectivity and technology to improve teaching and learning?")**

The district plans to use the model of Learner Active Technology Infused Classrooms (LATIC) in order to improve teaching and learning and promote collaboration and digital citizenship aligned with ISTE and Common Core Standards and the district curriculum. LATIC focuses on three primary goals; engagement with content, student responsibility for learning, and high academic rigor. The district will use 1:1 Mobile devices that provides 24/7 access to instructional resources such as online databases and curriculum specific software applications, and cloud based software that promotes collaboration and creativity.

Teachers and students will have greater access to resources that promote personalized learning as well as peer to peer collaboration. This increased access will allow teachers to create differentiated learning pathways that allow all students to achieve success.

In order to complement and enhance the district's investment in 1:1 mobile devices and LATIC professional development (non-SmartSchools funding), all of the schools and classrooms require a reliable, secure, high speed local area network (LAN) backbone upon which an enterprise Wi-Fi network is built upon for both coverage and density. Without the reliable, secure and high speed network and classroom WiFi connectivity, the Instructional Technology Plan for a 1:1 initiative will not be as successful.

- 3. To ensure that districts maximize the return on their investment in education technology and devices, Smart Schools Bond Act funds used for technology infrastructure investments must increase the number of school buildings that meet or exceed the Federal Communications Commission minimum speed standard of 100 Mbps per 1,000 students.**

**Please describe how you will use SSBA funds to meet this standard.**

The White Plains School District has allocated capital construction funds from a local voter approved bond issue for four secondary schools (grades 6-12) towards the purchase of all of the network/access costs, school internal connections/components and professional services. A new reliable, high speed and secure Gigabit (1GB) local area network (wiring installation and switching equipment), upon which an enterprise Wi-Fi network with redundant controllers with a capacity of 1300 Mbps on the 5 GHz band plus up to 450 Mbps on 2.4 GHz bands on each classroom WiFi access point has been installed. The completion of the four secondary schools is expected by December 2015.

The District will use the SSBA funds towards the capital construction costs for the five remaining elementary schools towards the purchase of all of the network/access costs, school internal connections/components and professional services. A new reliable, high speed and secure Gigabit (1GB) local area network (wiring installation and switching equipment), upon which the Wi-Fi network (as described above) would be extended to the five elementary school for the installation of WiFi access points in every classroom with the capacity of 1300 Mbps on the 5 GHz band plus up to 450 Mbps on 2.4 GHz bands.

In addition the District has upgraded its Wide Area Network (WAN) between its schools with a current capacity of 10GB (with expansion capacity of up to 40GB).

The District's internet broadband access is currently at 500MB and will be increased to 800MB by July 1, 2016 (using district funds). The total BEDS enrollment for 2014-15 is 7289.

All of the above technology infrastructure investments will increase the number of school buildings that meet or exceed the Federal Communications Commission minimum speed standard of 100 Mbps per 1,000 students.

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- 3a. If a district believes that it will be impossible to meet this standard within 12 months, it may apply for a waiver of this requirement, as described on the Smart Schools website. The waiver must be filed and approved by SED prior to submitting this survey.

(No Response)

4. If the district wishes to have students and staff access the Internet from wireless devices within the school building, or in close proximity to it, it must first ensure that it has a robust Wi-Fi network in place that has sufficient bandwidth to meet user demand.

Please describe how you have quantified this demand and how you plan to meet this demand.

The White Plains School District has allocated capital construction funds from a local voter approved bond issue for four secondary schools (grades 6-12) towards the purchase of new reliable, high speed and secure Gigabit (1GB) local area network (wiring installation and switching equipment), upon which an enterprise Wi-Fi network with redundant controllers with a capacity of 1300 Mbps on the 5 GHz band plus up to 450 Mbps on 2.4 GHz bands in each classroom WiFi access point has been installed. The WiFi network installation will provide coverage and capacity through the installation of one access point in every classroom and four to five access points in large group areas (such as Gym and Cafeterias). Each access point will have the capacity to handle 30-50 devices at one time. The average class size for our secondary schools is 28 students.

The completion of the four secondary schools is expected by December 2015.

The District will use the SSBA funds towards the capital construction costs for the five remaining elementary schools (grades K-5) towards building a new reliable, high speed and secure Gigabit (1GB) local area network (wiring installation and switching equipment), upon which the Wi-Fi network (as described above) would be extended to the five elementary school for the installation of WiFi access points in every classroom with the capacity of 1300 Mbps on the 5 GHz band plus up to 450 Mbps on 2.4 GHz bands. The WiFi network installation will provide coverage and capacity through the installation of one access point in every classroom and four to five access points in large group areas (such as Gym and Cafeterias). Each access point will have the capacity to handle 30-50 devices at one time. The average class size for our elementary schools is 25 students.

5. As indicated on Page 5 of the guidance, the Office of Facilities Planning will have to conduct a preliminary review of all capital projects, including connectivity projects.

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6. Certain high-tech security and connectivity infrastructure projects may be eligible for an expedited review process as determined by the Office of Facilities Planning.

Was your project deemed eligible for streamlined review?

Yes

- 6a. Districts that choose the Streamlined Review Process will be required to certify that they have reviewed all installations with their licensed architect or engineer of record and provide that person's name and license number. The licensed professional must review the products and proposed method of installation prior to implementation and review the work during and after completion in order to affirm that the work was code-compliant, if requested.

I certify that I have reviewed all installations with a licensed architect or engineer of record. (Checked)

7. Include the name and license number of the architect or engineer of record.

Name	License Number
Michael William Lantier	88354

8. If you are submitting an allocation for School Connectivity complete this table. Note that the calculated Total at the bottom of the table must equal the Total allocation for this category that you entered in the SSIP Overview overall budget.

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	Sub- Allocation
Network/Access Costs	1,209,760
Outside Plant Costs	(No Response)
School Internal Connections and Components	465,001
Professional Services	71,366
Testing	(No Response)
Other Upfront Costs	(No Response)
Other Costs	(No Response)
<b>Totals:</b>	1,746,127.00

**9. Please specify what is included under Other Costs above.**

(No Response)

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## Smart Schools Investment Plan -

Community Connectivity (Broadband and Wireless)

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1. Briefly describe how you intend to use Smart Schools Bond Act funds for high-speed broadband and/or wireless connectivity projects in the community.

(No Response)

2. Please describe how the proposed project(s) will promote student achievement and increase student and/or staff access to the Internet in a manner that enhances student learning and/or instruction outside of the school day and/or school building.

(No Response)

3. Community connectivity projects must comply with all the necessary local building codes and regulations (building and related permits are not required prior to plan submission).

(No Response)

4. Please describe the physical location of the proposed investment.

(No Response)

5. Please provide the initial list of partners participating in the Community Connectivity Broadband Project, along with their Federal Tax Identification (Employer Identification) number.

Project Partners	Federal ID #
(No Response)	(No Response)

6. If you are submitting an allocation for Community Connectivity, complete this table.

Note that the calculated Total at the bottom of the table must equal the Total allocation for this category that you entered in the SSIP Overview overall budget.

	Sub-Allocation
Network/Access Costs	(No Response)
Outside Plant Costs	(No Response)
Tower Costs	(No Response)
Customer Premises Equipment	(No Response)
Professional Services	(No Response)
Testing	(No Response)
Other Upfront Costs	(No Response)
Other Costs	(No Response)
<b>Totals:</b>	

7. Please specify what is included under Other Costs above.

(No Response)

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Classroom Learning Technology

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1. As a precondition to any purchase of devices using a Smart Schools allocation, a district must increase the number of school buildings that meet or exceed the Federal Communications Commission minimum speed standard of 100 Mbps per 1,000 students.

Please describe how your district already meets or is planning to meet this standard within 12 months of plan submission.

(No Response)

- 1a. If a district believes that it will be impossible to meet this standard within 12 months, it may apply for a waiver of this requirement, as described on the Smart Schools website. The waiver must be filed and approved by SED prior to submitting this survey.

(No Response)

2. If the district wishes to have students and staff access the Internet from wireless devices within the school building, or in close proximity to it, it must first ensure that it has a robust Wi-Fi network in place that has sufficient bandwidth to meet user demand.

Please describe how you have quantified this demand and how you plan to meet this demand.

(No Response)

3. All New York State public school districts are required to complete and submit an Instructional Technology Plan survey to the New York State Education Department in compliance with Section 753 of the Education Law and per Part 100.12 of the Commissioner's Regulations. Districts that include educational technology purchases as part of their Smart Schools Investment Plan must have a submitted and approved Instructional Technology Plan survey on file with the New York State Education Department.

(No Response)

4. Describe the devices you intend to purchase and their compatibility with existing or planned platforms or systems.

(No Response)

5. Describe how the proposed technology purchases will:

- > enhance differentiated instruction;
- > expand student learning inside and outside the classroom;
- > benefit students with disabilities and English language learners; and
- > contribute to the reduction of other learning gaps that have been identified within the district.

The expectation is that districts will place a priority on addressing the needs of students who struggle to succeed in a rigorous curriculum. Responses in this section should specifically address this concern and align with the district's Instructional Technology Plan (in particular Question 2 of E. Curriculum and Instruction: "Does the district's instructional technology plan address the needs of students with disabilities to ensure equitable access to instruction, materials and assessments?" and Question 3 of the same section: "Does the district's instructional technology plan address the provision of assistive technology specifically for students with disabilities to ensure access to and participation in the general curriculum?")

(No Response)

6. Where appropriate, briefly describe how the proposed technology purchases will enhance ongoing communication with parents and other stakeholders and help the district facilitate technology-based regional partnerships, including distance learning and other efforts.

(No Response)

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7. Describe the district's plan to provide professional development to ensure that administrators, teachers and staff can employ the technology purchased to enhance instruction successfully.

**Note:** This response should be aligned and expanded upon in accordance with your district's response to Question 1 of F. Professional Development of your Instructional Technology Plan: "Please provide a summary of professional development offered to teachers and staff, for the time period covered by this plan, to support technology to enhance teaching and learning. Please include topics, audience and method of delivery within your summary."

(No Response)

8. Districts must contact the SUNY/CUNY teacher preparation program that supplies the largest number of the district's new teachers to request advice on innovative uses and best practices at the intersection of pedagogy and educational technology.

(No Response)

9. The Smart Schools Bond Act provides that any district hardware purchases made using Smart Schools funds shall be lent, upon request, to nonpublic schools in the district. However, no school district shall be required to loan technology in amounts greater than the total obtained and spent on technology pursuant to the Smart Schools Bond Act and the value of such loan may not exceed the total of \$250 multiplied by the nonpublic school enrollment in the base year at the time of enactment. Accordingly, a district Smart Schools Investment Plan that proposes the purchase of technology devices and other hardware must account for nonpublic schools in the district.

Are there nonpublic schools within your school district?

- 9a. All students attending nonpublic schools in your District are eligible to receive loans of classroom technology equal on a per pupil basis to the per pupil amounts spent on classroom technology for public school students (up to \$250/pupil.)  
See:  
[http://www.p12.nysed.gov/mgtserv/smart\\_schools/docs/Smart\\_Schools\\_Bond\\_Act\\_Guidance\\_04.27.15\\_Final.pdf](http://www.p12.nysed.gov/mgtserv/smart_schools/docs/Smart_Schools_Bond_Act_Guidance_04.27.15_Final.pdf).

Describe your plan to loan purchased hardware to nonpublic schools within your district. The plan should use your district's budget for classroom devices to calculate the nonpublic student loan amount, within the framework of the guidance.

(No Response)

- 9b. A final Smart Schools Investment Plan cannot be approved until school authorities have adopted regulations specifying the date by which requests from nonpublic schools for the purchase and loan of Smart Schools Bond Act classroom technology must be received by the district.

(No Response)

10. To ensure the sustainability of technology purchases made with Smart Schools funds, districts must demonstrate a long-term plan to maintain and replace technology purchases supported by Smart Schools Bond Act funds. This sustainability plan shall demonstrate a district's capacity to support recurring costs of use that are ineligible for Smart Schools Bond Act funding such as device maintenance, technical support, Internet and wireless fees, maintenance of hotspots, staff professional development, building maintenance and the replacement of incidental items. Further, such a sustainability plan shall include a long-term plan for the replacement of purchased devices and equipment at the end of their useful life with other funding sources.

(No Response)

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11. Districts must ensure that devices purchased with Smart Schools Bond funds will be distributed, prepared for use, maintained and supported appropriately. Districts must maintain detailed device inventories in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

(No Response)

12. If you are submitting an allocation for Classroom Learning Technology complete this table. Note that the calculated Total at the bottom of the table must equal the Total allocation for this category that you entered in the SSIP Overview overall budget.

	Sub-Allocation
Interactive Whiteboards	(No Response)
Computer Servers	(No Response)
Desktop Computers	(No Response)
Laptop Computers	(No Response)
Tablet Computers	(No Response)
Other Costs	(No Response)
<b>Totals:</b>	

13. Please specify what is included under Other Costs above.

(No Response)

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Pre-Kindergarten Classrooms

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1. Provide information regarding how and where the district is currently serving pre-kindergarten students and justify the need for additional space with enrollment projections over 3 years.

(No Response)

2. Describe the district's plan to construct, enhance or modernize education facilities to accommodate pre-kindergarten programs. Such plans must include:

- Specific descriptions of what the district intends to do to each space;
- An affirmation that pre-kindergarten classrooms will contain a minimum of 900 square feet per classroom;
- The number of classrooms involved;
- The approximate construction costs per classroom; and
- Confirmation that the space is district-owned or has a long-term lease that exceeds the probable useful life of the improvements.

(No Response)

3. Smart Schools Bond Act funds may only be used for capital construction costs. Describe the type and amount of additional funds that will be required to support ineligible ongoing costs (e.g. instruction, supplies) associated with any additional pre-kindergarten classrooms that the district plans to add.

(No Response)

4. All plans and specifications for the erection, repair, enlargement or remodeling of school buildings in any public school district in the State must be reviewed and approved by the Commissioner. Districts that plan capital projects using their Smart Schools Bond Act funds will undergo a Preliminary Review Process by the Office of Facilities Planning.

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(No Response)

5. If you have made an allocation for Pre-Kindergarten Classrooms, complete this table. Note that the calculated Total at the bottom of the table must equal the Total allocation for this category that you entered in the SSIP Overview overall budget.

	Sub-Allocation
Construct Pre-K Classrooms	(No Response)
Enhance/Modernize Educational Facilities	(No Response)
Other Costs	(No Response)
<b>Totals:</b>	

6. Please specify what is included under Other Costs above.

(No Response)

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## Smart Schools Investment Plan -

Replace/Modernize Transportable Classrooms

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1. Describe the district's plan to construct, enhance or modernize education facilities to provide high-quality instructional space by replacing transportable classrooms.

(No Response)

2. All plans and specifications for the erection, repair, enlargement or remodeling of school buildings in any public school district in the State must be reviewed and approved by the Commissioner. Districts that plan capital projects using their Smart Schools Bond Act funds will undergo a Preliminary Review Process by the Office of Facilities Planning.

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(No Response)

3. For large projects that seek to blend Smart Schools Bond Act dollars with other funds, please note that Smart Schools Bond Act funds can be allocated on a pro rata basis depending on the number of new classrooms built that directly replace transportable classroom units.

If a district seeks to blend Smart Schools Bond Act dollars with other funds describe below what other funds are being used and what portion of the money will be Smart Schools Bond Act funds.

(No Response)

4. If you have made an allocation for Replace Transportable Classrooms, complete this table. Note that the calculated Total at the bottom of the table must equal the Total allocation for this category that you entered in the SSIP Overview overall budget.

	Sub-Allocation
Construct New Instructional Space	(No Response)
Enhance/Modernize Existing Instructional Space	(No Response)
Other Costs	(No Response)
<b>Totals:</b>	

5. Please specify what is included under Other Costs above.

(No Response)

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High-Tech Security Features

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1. Describe how you intend to use Smart Schools Bond Act funds to install high-tech security features in school buildings and on school campuses.

(No Response)

2. All plans and specifications for the erection, repair, enlargement or remodeling of school buildings in any public school district in the State must be reviewed and approved by the Commissioner. Districts that plan capital projects using their Smart Schools Bond Act funds will undergo a Preliminary Review Process by the Office of Facilities Planning.

Project Number

(No Response)

3. Was your project deemed eligible for streamlined Review?

- 3a. Districts with streamlined projects must certify that they have reviewed all installations with their licensed architect or engineer of record, and provide that person's name and license number. The licensed professional must review the products and proposed method of installation prior to implementation and review the work during and after completion in order to affirm that the work was code-compliant, if requested.

(No Response)

4. Include the name and license number of the architect or engineer of record.

Name	License Number
(No Response)	(No Response)

5. If you have made an allocation for High-Tech Security Features, complete this table.

Note that the calculated Total at the bottom of the table must equal the Total allocation for this category that you entered in the SSIP Overview overall budget.

	Sub-Allocation
Capital-Intensive Security Project (Standard Review)	(No Response)
Main Entrance Electronic Security System (Streamlined Review)	(No Response)
Main Entrance Entry Control System (Streamlined Review)	(No Response)
Approved Door Hardening Project (Streamlined Review)	(No Response)
Other Costs	(No Response)
<b>Totals:</b>	

6. Please specify what is included under Other Costs above.

(No Response)