

Williamson Central School District Smart Schools Initiative Amendment

Smart Schools Planning Presentation



Smart Bond Initiative

Passed by New York Voters in November of 2014
Awarded \$2 Billion to all public schools based on
enrollment and state aid formula



Rules for these use of these funds

6 categories
of
Expenditures

- School Networking
- Classroom Technology
- Community Connection
- Pre-K Classroom Improvements
- Elimination of Temporary/Trailer Classrooms
- School Security and Safety



Considerations

Cannot pay salaries

Cannot be used for leasing, rentals, or BOCES purchases



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Williamson was granted

\$1,027,801

Any expenditure of these funds must be recommended by the Smart Schools Planning Committee



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Phase 1: Spring 2017

Classroom Devices, Limited Network upgrades, and
Limited High Tech Security

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Amended 2019 to increase classroom devices

\$355,602



Step 1

- Administration consults with the district's architect to establish possible priorities in the approved categories.
- Consideration to
 - Strategic Plan
 - Technology Plan
 - Building Condition Survey



Committee Responsibilities

A Smart School Planning Committee is required to review the preliminary proposals from the district and formulate a recommendation to the Board of Education.



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\$166,000

Over the last 18 months additional funding has been committed for laptops due to the pandemic.

Smart School funds could be re-committed to support the network infrastructure.



Next Steps

1. Planning Committee can endorse this proposal for the use of the funds and send it to the Board of Education.
2. The proposal, as a preliminary recommendation, will be posed for 14 days for public review.
3. At the Board of Education meeting a Public Hearing is held to review the proposal.
4. Board of Education either accepts the proposal, or returns it to committee.



Next Steps

5. The Superintendent submits the amended spending plan to NYSED for review
6. After eight to ten months the district's amended plan is approved for expenditure.

