

November 2023

NY MILLS



UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

PROPOSED CAPITAL PROJECT NEWSLETTER

**PUBLIC
INFORMATION
MEETING**

**NOV 29TH
6 P.M.**

HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY

**PROJECT
VOTE**

**DEC 12TH
12 - 8 P.M.**

BEEKMAN GYMNASIUM

OUR MISSION:

Through combined efforts of students, staff, parents and community members, our mission is to foster the confidence, knowledge, cognition and character necessary to instill a strong work ethic, to create an environment of tolerance and respect and to ignite an attitude of inquiry and enthusiasm for learning that will enable students to become productive, responsible citizens.

MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

In our continued vision, *"to create an incomparable K-12 school district that is as highly regarded for its academic excellence, as it is for its pride and commitment to actively serving and improving its surrounding community"*, we look to our school community for support of an upcoming Capital Improvement Project.



On Tuesday, December 12, 2023, the voters of the New York Mills Union Free School District will head to the polls to vote on a proposed Capital Improvement Project for our K-12 school building.

This special edition brochure highlights the Project's scope of work, anticipated timeline for completion and associated financial information.

A total project cost of \$5,550,000 includes the use of \$500,000 from the District's Capital Reserves. The remaining balance of the project will be funded through Construction Bonds. All eligible construction expenses will be aided at 77.4%, and as a result of planning and fiscal oversight, this proposed Capital Improvement Project will result in no increase in taxes for our school community members.

We will host a Public Information Session on Wednesday, November 29, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in the high school library to provide voters with an outline of how the Capital Improvement plans address the District's facility and programming needs. Please consider joining us to learn more about the proposed Project.

Our school, which we are so proud to call our own, continues to honor its pledge to provide our students with a safe, supportive and sustainable learning environment. This can only be realized through continued collaboration as a united school community. On Tuesday, December 12, 2023, we ask for your support in improving our facilities and investing in our school district.

Your vote is a vote for our students' future!

Sincerely,

Michele D. LaGase

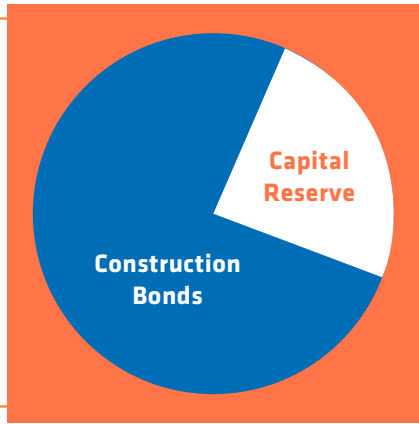
Superintendent of Schools

VOTE!



FINANCIAL INFORMATION

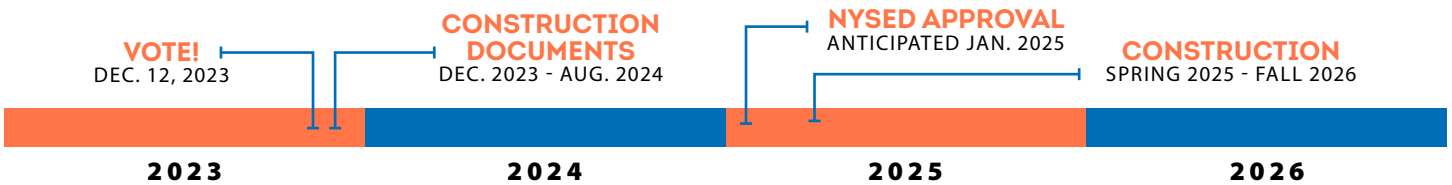
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 CAPITAL RESERVE **\$500,000**
 CONSTRUCTION BONDS **\$5,050,000**



NO INCREASE IN TAXES

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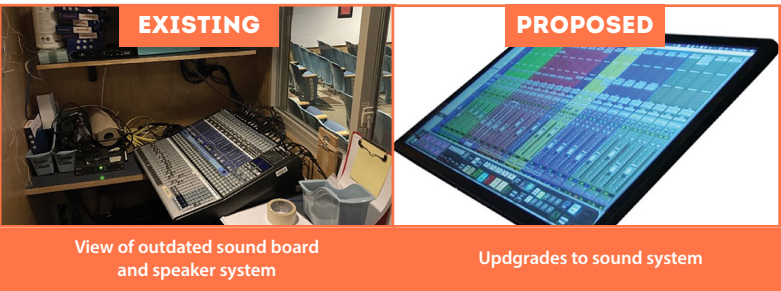
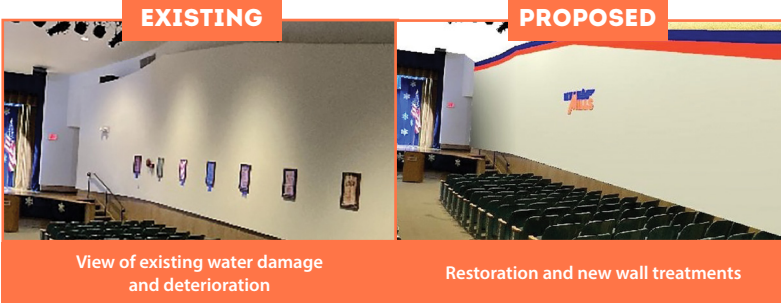
PROPOSED PROJECT TIMELINE



SCOPE OF WORK

Auditorium Upgrades & Improvements

- Reconstruct rear wall and side wall water damage
- Replace worn and damaged carpeting
- Install new wall treatments to improve acoustic quality of the Auditorium
- Add new light covers above side walls to enhance "house lights"
- Sound system upgrades and enhancements



If future pricing allows for remaining construction funds, project may also include interior security door access, half basketball court, additional ceiling work.

SCOPE OF WORK

Student Bathroom Facilities Renovation

- New floor, wall and ceiling finishes in various student bathrooms
- Facility upgrades to comply with accessibility requirements
- Sink replacements with design renovations and automatic fixtures
- Upgraded bathroom stalls and dispensers



EXISTING

View of outdated and deteriorating student bathroom

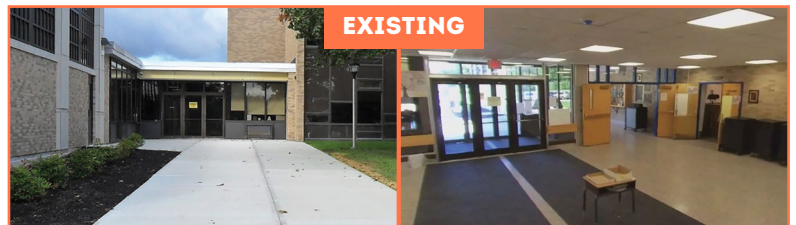


PROPOSED

New bathroom and ADA compliant facilities

Security Vestibule and Main Entrance Reconstruction

- Redesign of Main Entrance
- Updated security sign-in area with additional space for School Resource Officer
- Additional security film at corridor and library windows
- Foyer reconstruction including Auditorium entrance upgrades and a student designated area



EXISTING

View of main entrance with limited sightlines and single door security



PROPOSED

Expanded security vestibule marking main entrance with enhanced security upgrades and features

7-12 Gymnasium Renovation

- New bleacher seating to allow for spectator attendance at athletic contests and events
- Renovation of existing Gymnasium to include proper athletic lineage and district logo
- Locker Room reconstruction to include team rooms, bathrooms, and shower facilities



EXISTING

3 tier seating in existing gymnasium allowing for only minimal spectator use



PROPOSED

Redesign facility space to include room for new spectator seating

PROJECT ALSO INCLUDES BUILDING CONDITIONS SURVEY ITEMS:
 Reconstruction of damaged floors in four second floor classrooms, exterior sealants and repointing at brickwork and chimney, upgrades to fire alarm and carbon monoxide detection systems and roof reconstruction.



EXISTING

Outdated and deteriorating locker room facilities



PROPOSED

New locker room facilities with upgraded team rooms, bathrooms and showers





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