



Superintendent Report

Sweet Home Central School District

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December 21, 2021



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Thank You Willow Ridge!



LightHouse Team
Leader in Me



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Board of Education Traveling Board Meetings/Voting Session

- Jan. 18 Voting Session SH Middle School
- Feb. 15 Voting Session Glendale ES



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PHASE 2 CAPITAL PROJECT Timeline

Capital Project Phase 2 - \$18,292,681 Construction Budget

- Work at all 4 elementary buildings, Middle School & High School (including safety glazing main entry ways)
- New Roof at Dexter Terrace
- Work on Middle School cafeteria (noise reduction, seating)
- High School auditorium updates, stage work, locker room renovations

Submit to SED for Approval: June 30, 2021

SED Approval: October 26, 2021

Bid Documents Available: November 22, 2021 / Bids Due: December 17

Pre-Bid Walk-through: December 2, 2021

Award: State Contracts / Co-op December 21 BOE; Bids January 11 BOE



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Add Alternates Phase 2

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| 1. Heritage Heights front parking lot / student drop-off loops | EST. \$325K |
| 2. District Wide Mass Notification System | EST. \$338K |
| 3. Middle School Cafeteria (Upgrades finishes – walls & flooring) | EST. \$ 60K |
| 4. Maplemere & Willow Ridge Cafetorium AV & Lighting | EST. \$280K |
| 5. HS Offices/ District Office Floor Replacements | EST. \$325K |
| 6. Dexter Terrace PA System | EST. \$155K |
| 7. Middle School PA System wiring speakers (full system replacement) | EST. \$300K |
| 8. Glendale Cafetorium AV / Lighting | EST. \$170K |
| 9. Middle School Cafeteria – student lounge space (red tile area) | EST. \$100K |
| 10. Middle School Cafeteria – new folding partition | EST. \$ 95K |
| 11. Dexter Terrace Exterior Metal Panels | EST. \$ 30K |
| 12. Heritage Heights select ceiling replacements | EST. \$130K |

TOTAL ALTERNATES

APPROX. \$2.3M



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Status of Bids

- All items promised in the referendum are included in the base bids and will be completed as part of Phase II.
- Bids came in at \$19,890,000. Base Bid (referendum items) can be completed as is. District must determine alternates. Prioritize safety and student experience. Make recommendations to the BOE.
- OACM meeting Thursday to descope the bids.
- Prepare bids for BOE Review. Vote at Jan. 11 Study Session.



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Board of Education Policy on Gifts and Donation

- **Erie 1 BOCES Policy Services**
 - Policy 5230 mirrors Sweet Home policy
 - Template 5230F Would create a form for accepting and making recommendations to the BOE regarding gifts and donations.
 - Recommendation is to bring template to next Policy Committee Meeting. Committee meet to make amendments and then recommend those amendments to the BOE.



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Partnership Opportunities



University at Buffalo

Graduate School of Education

Met on Dec. 16

- DEI
- Candidate Pipeline
- Internships
- Research



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Principals Meeting



Met on Dec. 15

- Capital Project Update (High School and MS Impact)
- Mental Health Discussion
- DEI Update
- District Safety Goals
 - Assess and Progress
 - Safe and Loved
- Tenure Recommendations Due in March



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Calendar Update



Western New York Regional School Calendar

DRAFT > 2022-2023 < DRAFT

- Draft Released Dec. 8
- SH to build customized version for the 2022-23 school year after the Holiday Break
- Features Split Break
- Last Teacher Day is June 23, 2023



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Social Media Threats



- Each threat taken seriously. Safety of students, faculty and staff is number 1 priority.
- National post referencing a challenge by students to conduct acts of school violence.
- Shared with Amherst Police Department.
- Discussed by Erie County Superintendents.
- No credible, specific or local threat determined. No safety issue to students, faculty, and staff.
- Statement issued. Classes went on as normal without incident.



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Sweet Home Diversity, Equity, Inclusion Initiative

Develop policy in conjunction with Board of Regents guidelines and Erie 1 BOCES Policy Services support.

Any policy must consider the entirety of the educational process by addressing the following elements: governance; teaching and learning; family and community engagement; workforce diversity; diverse schools and learning opportunities; and student supports, discipline, and wellness.



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Step 1: Establish Committee

Proposed Selection Process:

- Letter sent to applicants yesterday
- Interview Candidates the week of Jan. 3
- Inform Candidates of Creation of Subcommittee
- Announce to the BOE at January Meeting



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Test to Stay Program

- CDC Endorsed
- Critical to keep health students in school.
- Our quarantine numbers are low because of distancing.
- Pilot taking place in Grand Island Schools.
- Asymptomatic close contacts can stay in school with a negative test each day.
- After the fifth day of no symptoms and negative testing, they are no longer considered a close contact.



Welcome to Erie County, NY

Erie County, NY Department of Health



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Vaccine Clinics for Ages 5-11

- 5-11 Year Old Clinic at SH and Conducted by Rite Aid
- 120 Slots Filling Quickly (82 currently signed up)
- Saturday, January 8 First Dose
- Saturday, January 29 Second Dose
- Information on Website to Register



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Questions from the Board?

STRENGTH OF MIND AND BODY

Discipline yourself to be at your best to conquer adversity and challenge.

Preparation * Perseverance * Resilience * Focus * Energy

QUALITY RELATIONSHIPS

Build a support network of people that inspire you and challenge you to thrive.

Honesty * Empathy * Thoughtfulness * Respect * Trust

ACCOUNTABILITY

Take ownership of your life direction and master the sea.

Discipline * Responsibility * Reliability * Independence * Problem Solving

COURAGE TO LEAD

Believe in something that can improve the human condition, and show others the way.

Character * Humility * Communication * Service * Inspiration

