



## **Smart Schools Investment Plan Grand Island Central School District BOE approved May 22, 2017**

Total Smart Schools Bond Act Allocation	\$1,629,396
Smart Schools Investment Plan Application 1	\$206,250

### **Smart Schools Bond Act (SSBA)**

The Smart Schools Bond Act (SSBA) was passed in the 2014-15 enacted budget and approved by the voters in a statewide referendum held during the 2014 General Election on Tuesday, November 4, 2014. The Act authorized the issuance of \$2 billion of general obligation bonds to finance improved educational technology and infrastructure to improve learning and opportunity for students throughout the State. The Grand Island Central School District has been allocated \$1,629,396 for this purpose. Money will be reimbursed to the District by New York State as expenses are incurred.

### **District Technology Committee**

The planning process for developing and submitting the Smart Schools Investment Plan included consultation with parents, teachers, students and community members. The District Technology Committee met four times during the 2015-2016 school year (9/22, 11/19, 2/24, 5/19) and three times during the 2016-2017 school year (9/27, 12/13, 2/7). The Committee discussed our current technology and infrastructure strengths and future needs. Over the year, several roll-out plans were discussed during committee meetings as well as in online discussion groups.

### **Smart Schools Investment Plan Timeline**

4/3/2017 – Preliminary Smart Schools Investment Plan approved by the Board of Education

5/11/2017 – Public hearing to present Preliminary Smart Schools Investment Plan

5/22/2017 – Final Smart Schools Investment Plan approved by the Board of Education

## **Smart Schools Investment Plan Application 1**

The Smart Schools Investment Plan Application 1 addresses year 1 of a 4-year plan to implement a 1:1 initiative in the District. The District currently has a 1:1 program with iPads in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. In year 4 of the plan, those devices will have reached end-of-life and be due for a refresh. The Plan calls for iPads at Kindergarten through second grade and chrome books for third through twelfth grade students.

### *Proposed Four Year 1:1 Roll out Plan*

Year 1 – All District teachers and Grades 3 & 5

Year 2 – Grades 4, 6, 7 and one High School department

Year 3 – Grades 8 and 1:1 in the High School

Year 4 – Grades K, 1 and 2

### Application 1 Expenditures:

Teacher chrome books - \$82,500

Grade 3 & 5 chrome books - \$123,750

Total - \$206,250

### Annual Sustainability

A replacement plan for devices purchased with Smart Schools money will come from various funding lines including E-rate, Textbook funding, Title grants, BOCES projects and the general fund.

### **Please direct questions or comments to:**

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