

East Ramapo Central Schools Smart Schools Initiative

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Smart Bond Initiative

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

East Ramapo Central's Award is \$6,105,668

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Rules for these use of these funds

6 categories

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

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What you can't do.....

- You cannot pay salaries
- You cannot pay for software
- You cannot pay for professional development

- You are expected to provide these, but you can't pay for them from the Bond.

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Phase 1 East Ramapo Central's Goal

East Ramapo Central Schools wishes to provide a safe learning environment for all students.

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East Ramapo Priorities

- Security improvements included upgrades to Emergency Campus Notification, Door Access Control, and Security Video retention.

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Budget

- Access Control
 - Emergency Classroom Notification
 - High Tech Video Security Server
- This work was completed using other funds. The remaining funds are still available for work.

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Next Steps

1. The East Ramapo Preliminary Plan was presented to and endorsed by the District Smart Schools Investment committee.
2. The Board of Education accepted the proposals as the Smart Schools Spending Plan in 2016.
3. This amendment will release those funds for future projects.

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Next Steps

1. Approved plan submitted to NYSED.
2. The Plan then churns through NYSED for about 120 days.

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