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Superintendent's Report

Facilities

January 23, 2024

Brief Announcements



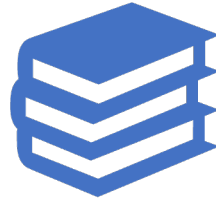
Elementary Staff Professional Development Day – Feb. 13

Election Day 2/13/24

No school for elementary students

Staff will have professional development:

- Harmony Academy Training
- Embedding Culturally Responsive Mentor Texts in our Classrooms
- Using Literature to Introduce Tolerance



Anti-Bias Task Force

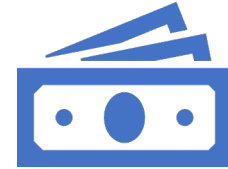
Webpage <https://www.syossetschools.org/antibias>

- Meeting Summaries

First Community Forum

- 2/8/24 8:00 pm South Woods Middle School

Email to Task Force antibias@syoschools.org



State Aid

Governor's Proposed State Budget

- Reduces Aid to Nassau County
- Legislature promises restorations

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Facilities Feedback

Feedback from Surveys and Public Meetings

Community Feedback



We surveyed the community through the ThoughtExchange tool, held a meeting with PTA leaders from each school and held 2 online informational sessions on the bond. So far our communications efforts have reached about 1,000 people, give or take:



99 people tuned in to the live presentations across the two that were given;



There were 936 participants in the Thought Exchange Survey;



348 people viewed the recording of the facilities project presentation

Feedback Themes

Construction Particulars



Taxes

How will this impact taxes?



Costs

How were the costs estimated?



Bidding/Contracting

How are contractors chosen?



Construction Logistics

How will construction take place?

Scope of Work

- AVI and Maintenance
 - How are maintenance costs est'd.?
 - How were priorities identified?
- Athletics
 - Should HBT have a turf field?
 - Why does SHS need a new gym?
- Enrollment
 - Residency
 - Enough new classrooms

More Scope of Work Suggestions from Survey

- Bathrooms (adult and student)
 - Syosset High School
 - Explain Library/classrooms
 - Explain Bus Loop
 - Pool
 - Explain cost of Pool renovations
 - Do more extensive renovations
 - Add Wrestling gym
 - Renovate Testing Center
 - Improve science rooms and robotics rooms
 - Renovate Auditorium
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- Elementary
 - Increase elementary classroom space (and art/music)
 - Improve elementary outdoor spaces
 - Is classroom space sufficient for enrollment growth?
 - Middle
 - Explain HBT Vestibule
 - Lights for new HBT field?
 - More science space at S. Woods

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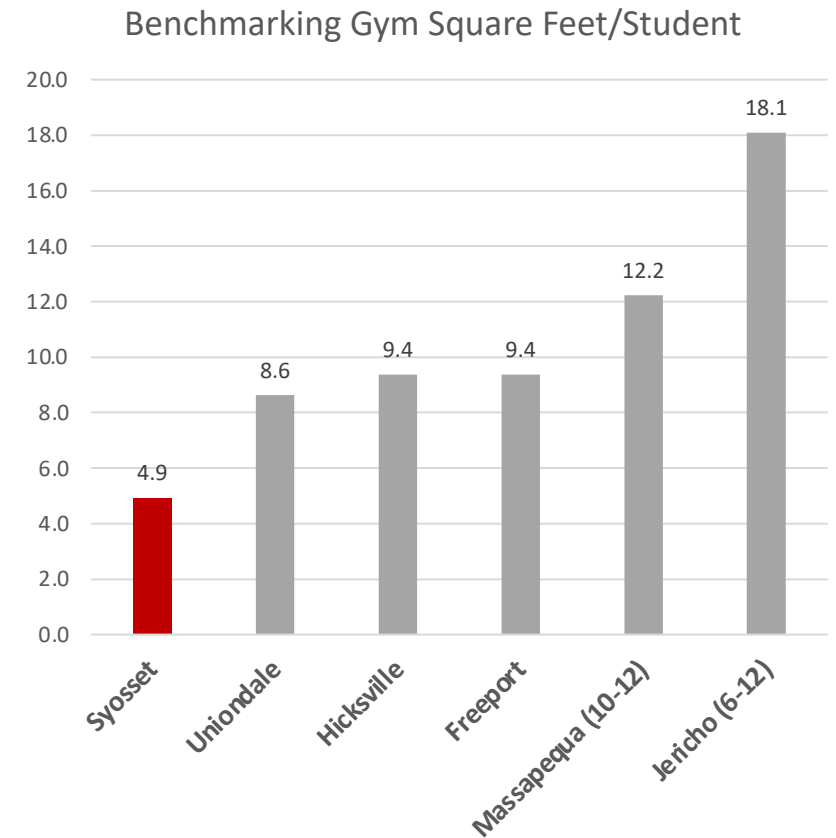
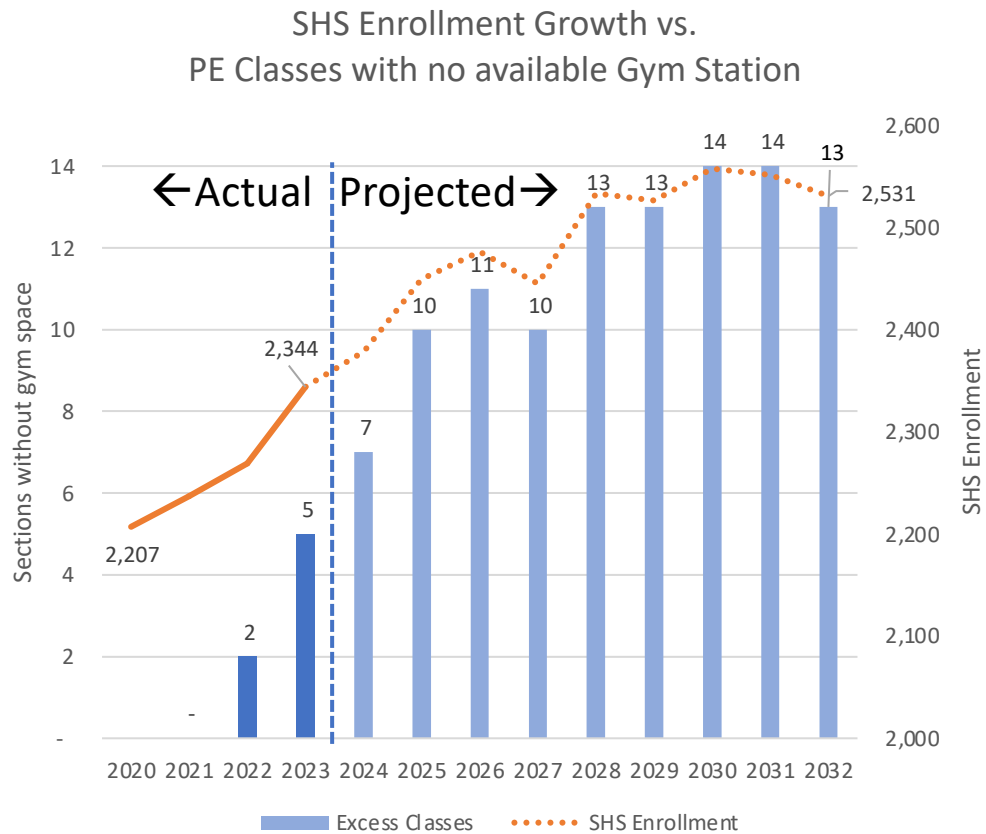
FAQ Preview

Responses to Questions Received

Net Tax Impact

Average over 23 years Borrowing	Proposition 1 (\$95.9 million)	Proposition 2 (\$10 million)
Estimated Average Debt Service at 4%	\$6,048,922	\$868,213
Less Estimated Average Annual State Aid Reimbursement at 41.9% and 85% aidable rate	(\$1,996,833)	(\$307,213)
Debt Service Net of State Aid	\$4,052,089	\$560,999
Debt Service Retiring (2024-25 Through 2027-28) net of state aid	(\$336,890)	-0-
Estimated Change in Annual Debt Service	\$3,715,199	\$560,999
% Increase in 23-24 Tax Levy	1.69%	0.26%
Average Change per \$10,000 in taxes paid annually	\$169	\$26

Gym Space Constraints at SHS



Our enrollment requires approximately 100 sections of physical education for our high school students, but we have five periods of each two-day cycle that do not have a designated space for PE class. This challenge will get worse as our enrollment continues to grow.

Pool Usage

Pool Schedule

Time	Fall/Winter	Weekends	Summer
6:00 am – 7:30 am	Varsity Divers		
7:39 am – 2:21 pm	Regular School Day	Learn to Swim	Summer Learn to Swim
2:30 pm – 4:30 pm	Varsity Swim	Learn to Swim	Summer Learn to Swim
4:30 pm – 5:45 pm	Middle School Swim		
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Stingrays		
8:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Adult Education Swim		

Usage Details

- Adult Education Swim:
 - Monday and Tuesday are adult learn to swim,
 - Wednesday is Water Aerobics,
 - Thursday is Adult Lap Swimming.
- Stingrays
 - Stingrays can accommodate about 150 students (ages 6-16)
 - Typically, 280-300 kids try out and only half are accommodated.
- Learn to Swim
 - Weekend session usually has anywhere from 140-160 a session.
 - Summer Learn to Swim usually has about 200+ each session (3 sessions).
 - First session this year (weeks 1 and 2) we had 210 students.
 - Second session (weeks 3 and 4) we had 240 including 20 preschoolers, and
 - the third session (weeks 5 and 6) we had 220 including 10 preschoolers.

More Explanations

- **AVI Process**

- NYSED required Syosset to complete an AVI in 2020 and 2022 with a Building Conditions Survey in 2023. The 2022 AVI inspections identified infrastructure and systems that are nearing their end of useful life to create a 5-year plan.
- Last fall, the BOE reviewed the inspection report and prioritized this scope of work (\$80+ million), narrowing to essentials (\$49 million).

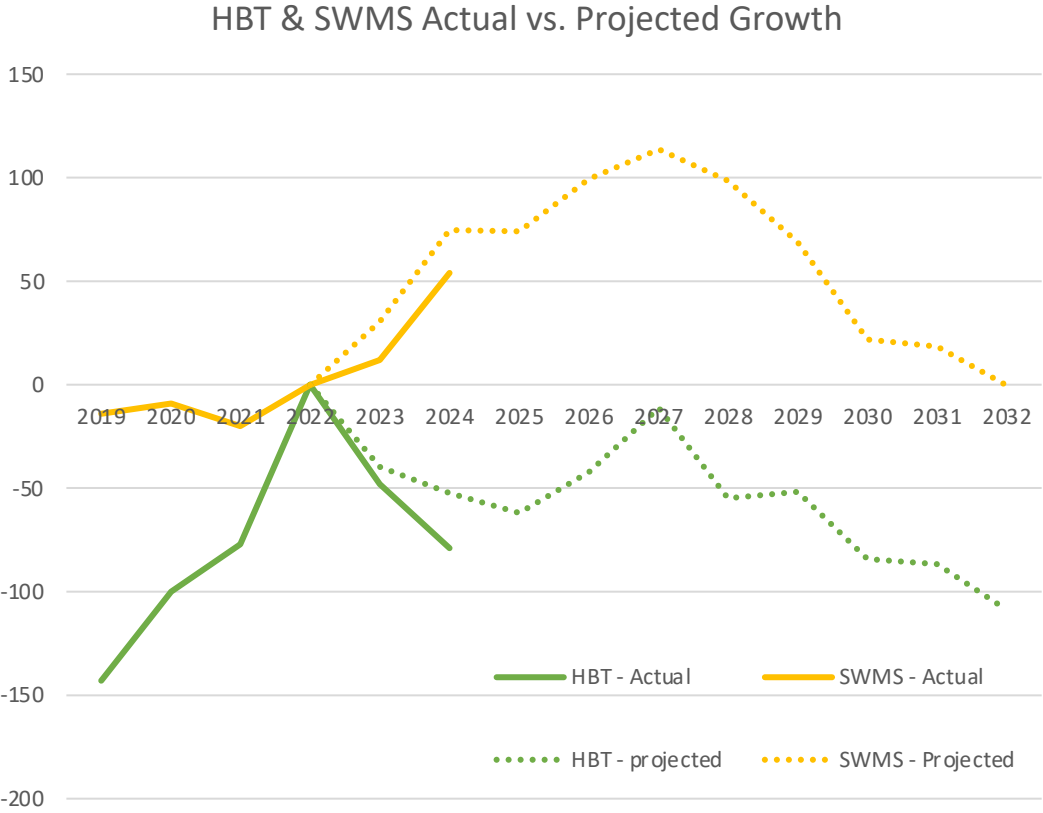
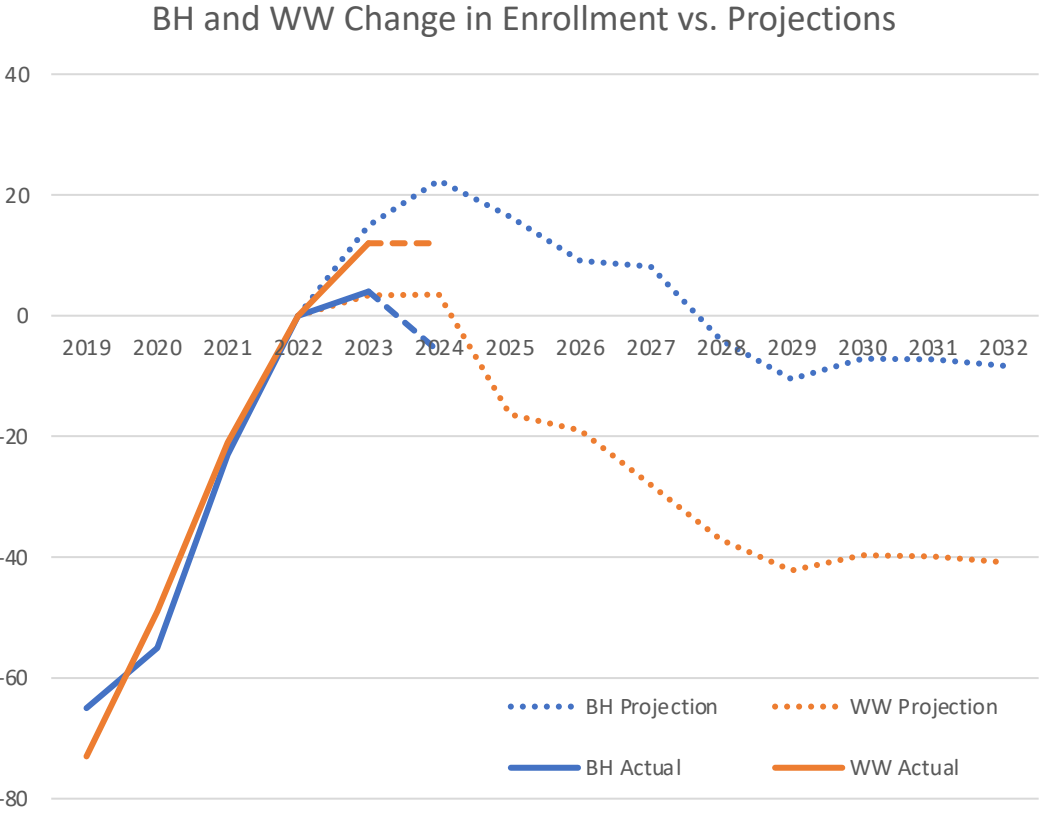
- **Approval Process**

- BOE Approval
- Voter Approval
- NYSED Approval (building permit)
- Competitive Bidding/Contractor Award
 - Verify Bonds and Insurances
- Construction begins

- **Construction Process**

- Designs developed by architect (H2M)
- Approved by NYSED (building permit)
- Contractors Overseen by Construction Manager (Elite)
- Different bidding process for each project (multiple prime contractors)
- Projects started on rolling basis.
- Will last several years.
- Where construction occurs during the school year, safety fences and other procedures keep students/staff safe
- Prefer to do dusty work in summer, use hoses to wet ground to suppress dust

Enrollment vs. Classrooms



Note: 2024-25 elementary “actual” based on typical Kindergarten class.
2024-25 middle school “actual” based on current enrollment moving up.