



Facilities Bond Bulletin

Syosset Central School District

FACILITIES REFERENDUM: TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1
POLLS OPEN 6AM TO 9PM



Walt Whitman
Elementary



Syosset
High School



H.B. Thompson
Middle School



Berry Hill
Elementary



Robbins Lane
Elementary



Syosset
High School

In compliance with Section 203 of the federal Voting Rights Act, election information is offered in English and Spanish.

These renderings are for illustrative purposes and final designs will incorporate additional input and feedback.

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Referendum Overview

Vote on October 1

Dear Syosset Community:

The Board of Education has worked closely with the District's team of architects and engineers, as well as members of the administration, to develop a facilities improvement proposal for the community's consideration that includes classroom expansions, gym additions, infrastructure repairs, enhancements to outdoor spaces, and improved building security measures.

In putting these two propositions together, the Board was mindful of several key factors: the space needs of our growing student enrollment, the safety needs of all students and staff, a commitment to a learning environment that reflects the high quality of the education we provide, and the careful stewardship of the district's resources.

The referendum will be held on **Tuesday, October 1st**. We encourage you to attend your local PTA or SEPTA meetings this month, as well as the Board of Education meeting on September 16th, to learn more about the propositions on the ballot. Additional details can also be found at bond.syossetschools.org.

Thank you for your continued commitment to our Syosset schools.

The Syosset Board of Education

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Tax Impact

Estimated average change per \$10,000
in school taxes paid annually

Proposition 1

\$211/year

Proposition 2

\$76/year

Tax impact will occur over time as projects
become approved by the state

**State aid is estimated based on a 38.4% aid ratio, assuming 85% of the project is aidable. Actual state aid and funding will vary with changes in aid ratios and interest rates at the time of borrowing.*

Proposition 1 Cost Estimate

\$110.59 million

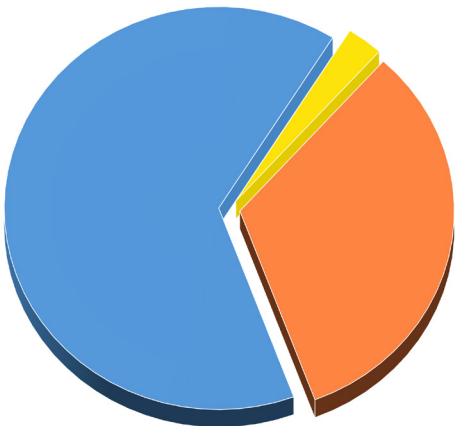
Identified architectural repairs	\$44.01
Berry Hill (7 classrooms)	\$12.84
Walt Whitman (4 classrooms)	\$5.31
Baylis (2 classrooms)	\$3.14
Village (4 classrooms)	\$5.32
HBT vestibule	\$1.27
HBT track with grass infield	\$1.85
High School gym space	\$11.40
High School guidance and robotics spaces	\$4.58
High School library addition	\$9.46
High School rear bus loop	\$1.20
Building security enhancements	\$2.00
Gym air conditioning	\$10.00
South Grove bus loop	\$1.50
Four elementary playground upgrades	\$0.75
Capital reserves offset	(\$4.04)
ESTIMATED PROPOSITION ONE COST	\$110.59

Proposition 2 Cost Estimate

\$33.22 million

Walt Whitman gym addition	\$6.51
Berry Hill gym addition	\$5.48
HBT track artificial turf upgrade	\$3.77
Turf infields (Varsity baseball and softball)	\$1.10
Robbins Lane gym addition	\$8.50
Baylis gym addition net cost	\$7.86
ESTIMATED PROPOSITION TWO COST	\$33.22

Distribution of Funding



- Estimated community share, 64.7%
- Approximate State Aid, 32.6%
- Capital Reserves offset, 2.7%

Project Details

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Syosset High School

Proposition 1

- Addition of new **13,000 square foot gym** space with accessible restrooms adjacent to existing sports fields
- **Renovation of existing Girls and Boys sport/gym class locker rooms** including new lockers, equipment storage, upgraded restrooms, and additional changing areas
- Installation of **new pool dehumidification system**, and resurfacing of the interior of the existing pool
- Addition of **new library** with collaboration spaces and private study areas, conversion of existing library to provide additional classroom space
- Relocation and **expansion of Guidance suite** to create dedicated, centralized mental health suite to improve student privacy and support

- Relocation of **Robotics Lab** to larger space with higher ceilings to allow for expanded curriculum and increased enrollment
- Expansion of existing **science research lab** classrooms to accommodate for increased student enrollment in research courses
- Installation of **bus loop** in the back of the high school building to allow for additional staging of buses for dismissal to improve traffic on South Woods Road
- Building **security enhancements**, including window reinforcements
- Infrastructure improvements including **partial roof replacement (20,000 sq ft)**, masonry replacement, repointing, and repairs to keep building watertight

Proposition 2

- Installation of **turf infields** on the existing Varsity Baseball and Softball fields

H.B. Thompson Middle

Proposition 1

- Installation of **air conditioning** in existing gym space
- Addition of **main entrance vestibule** to improve building safety, and allow for more efficient entry and exit for students, staff, and visitors
- Installation of **outdoor track** on main field with grass infield
- **Renovation of Girls and Boys locker rooms** including new lockers, equipment storage, upgraded restrooms, and additional changing areas
- Building **security enhancements**, including window reinforcements
- **Infrastructure improvements** including masonry replacement, repointing, and repairs to keep building watertight, replacement of existing asphalt paving, concrete sidewalks, and curbs

Proposition 2

- Installation of a **turf infield** in the center of the new track

South Woods Middle

Proposition 1

- Installation of **air conditioning** in existing Main Gym space
- **Renovation of Girls and Boys locker rooms** including new lockers, equipment storage, upgraded restrooms, and additional changing areas
- Building **security enhancements**, including window reinforcements
- Infrastructure improvements including **partial roof replacement (30,000 sq ft)**, masonry replacement, repointing, and repairs to keep building watertight

Baylis

Proposition 1

- Installation of **air conditioning** in existing gym space
- Removal of existing portable classrooms
- New pre-engineered addition to accommodate **two classrooms**
- Building **security enhancements**
- Infrastructure improvements

Proposition 2

- **Gym addition** with air conditioning
- Funds for classroom expansion will be reallocated for interior renovation and space conversion

Berry Hill

Proposition 1

- Installation of **air conditioning** in existing gym space
- Removal of seven existing portable classrooms
- New pre-engineered, multi-level addition to create **seven classrooms**
- Building **security enhancements**
- Infrastructure improvements

Proposition 2

- **Gym addition** with air conditioning, school's existing gym will be converted into an all-purpose room

Robbins Lane

Proposition 1

- Installation of **air conditioning** in existing gym space
- New **playground**
- Building **security enhancements**
- Infrastructure improvements

Proposition 2

- **Gym addition** with air conditioning, school's existing gym will be converted into an all-purpose room

South Grove

Proposition 1

- Creation of **dedicated bus loop** for separation of parent/guardian vehicles, and buses during arrival and dismissal to create safer conditions
- New **playground**
- Building **security enhancements**
- Infrastructure improvements

Village

Proposition 1

- Installation of **air conditioning** in existing gym space
- Removal of four existing portable classrooms
- New pre-engineered addition to create **four classrooms**
- Extension of existing parking lot to provide **eight additional parking spaces**
- New **playground**
- Building **security enhancements**
- Infrastructure improvements including **partial roof replacement (40,000 sq ft)**

Walt Whitman

Proposition 1

- Installation of **air conditioning** in existing gym space
- Removal of three existing portable classrooms
- New pre-engineered addition to create **four classrooms**
- Building **security enhancements**
- Infrastructure improvements, including **full building roof replacement (48,000 sq ft)**

Proposition 2

- **Gym addition** with air conditioning, school's existing gym will be converted into an all-purpose room

A.P. Willits

Proposition 1

- Installation of **air conditioning** in existing gym space
- New **playground**
- Building **security enhancements**
- Infrastructure improvements

For detailed renderings and floor plans, scan the QR code



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Voter Guide

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Voting Information

Proposition No. 1

ESTIMATED COST: \$110.59 MILLION

Passage of Proposition One gives the Syosset Central School District the authority to undertake a project involving improvements and additions to various district buildings and facilities, including site and paving work at HBT Middle School; roofing replacements at several schools; masonry renovations districtwide; science classroom renovations at Syosset High School; locker room renovations at multiple schools; pool and HVAC renovations at Syosset High School; classroom additions at four elementary schools; a gymnasium addition at Syosset High School; library and vestibule additions at Syosset High School and HBT Middle School; parking lot and bus loop installations at multiple schools; a track installation at HBT Middle School; district-wide security upgrades; air conditioning installations in gymnasiums; and playground renovations at several elementary schools.

Proposition No. 2

ESTIMATED COST: \$33.22 MILLION

Proposition Two cannot move forward without approval of Proposition One. If Proposition One is approved by the voters of Syosset, the approval of Proposition Two will give the Syosset Central School District the authority to add gymnasiums at four elementary schools, install artificial turf fields at HBT Middle School and Syosset High School, and renovate classrooms, the library, and the cafeteria at Baylis Elementary School.

The Bond referendum will be held on **Tuesday, October 1 from 6am to 9pm** at Robbins Lane Elementary School, H.B. Thompson Middle School, and Syosset High School. The table below shows where residents must vote based on their elementary attendance zone:

Elementary attendance zone	Voting site
Robbins Lane and South Grove	Robbins Lane Elementary School
A.P. Willits and Baylis	H.B. Thompson Middle School
Walt Whitman, Berry Hill and Village	Syosset High School

If you are unsure, go to syossetschools.org to find your designated polling location. Click on the District tab and go to the "Voter Information" menu option.

Voter Registration

Voter registration will take place from 4pm to 8pm on **Thursday, September 19** at Syosset High School.

Voter Eligibility

To vote in the annual school district election, voters must be a U.S. citizen, 18 years of age or older, and a District resident for at least 30 days prior to the vote. Eligible voters include those who have voted in school district elections within the past four years, those who are registered with the Nassau County Board of Elections, and those who registered on one of the 2024 registration dates.

Absentee/Early Mail Ballots

Applications are available on the District's website. Absentee ballot applications must be mailed back to the District no later than the seventh day before the election or delivered in person back to the District no later than the day before the election.



Syosset High School



H.B. Thompson Middle School



Berry Hill Elementary

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Why is this referendum split into two propositions?

A: The district's architects and engineers identified those maintenance projects that will preserve the safety and integrity of our buildings. The Board then asked them to identify the immediate priorities to address in this round of funding. In addition, the Board also put into Proposition One a series of projects intended to manage the current enrollment growth the district is experiencing. The second proposition positions the district to accommodate future growth, and gives the community the opportunity to get a head start on that process.

Q: How do the two propositions work?

A: Proposition One encompasses the immediate enrollment the district has experienced, as well as the projects identified as immediate priorities by our architects and engineers. Proposition Two positions the District to address future needs. Therefore, Proposition Two cannot be approved without first approving Proposition One.

Q: When will these projects begin?

A: We expect to begin construction in Summer of 2026 and work over the next several years. Our goal is to do as much work during the summer and off hours as possible. Where construction occurs during the school year, our construction management firm works closely with District staff to minimize disruption to instruction, and keep students safe. Our construction management team is responsible for holding our contractors to the highest standards.