



Update from POB Central School District

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Good evening, POB School Community.

I hope you're enjoying the brief spring temperatures before the weekend freeze. At last night's meeting, the Board of Education unanimously approved a resolution to opt out of the NYS Education Department's (NYSED) Regionalization planning process and plan. This decision followed careful review of the Emergency Regionalization Regulation, webinars from NYSED and the Nassau-Suffolk School Boards Association, the amended Regionalization Regulation, and discussions from the December 9th Board of Regents meeting. The opt-out letter to NYSED will be posted to the District's website.

The December 16th meeting also offered insights into the 2025 Bond Proposal. To learn more, visit the Bond Project webpage which can be accessed [from this link](#). This page includes project details, videos, tax impacts, and voting information. Upcoming opportunities for the community to learn more about the bond referendum and to engage those involved in the planning include: January 4th Bus Tours, January 6th Bond Workshop, and the January 6th Board of Education meeting. Descriptions and RSVP links are available on the website. **The Bond vote is on January 14th, 6 AM–9 PM** at Jamaica Avenue and H.B. Mattlin Middle School, Administration Office.

Lastly, the past two weeks have been filled with opportunities to celebrate the incredible talent of our students and the teachers who develop their skills. We invite you to enjoy a special performance of the POBJFKHS Orchestra playing *Sleigh Ride*, a cherished annual tradition, by clicking [this link](#). For even more heartwarming moments and glimpses of our amazing students in action, visit the District's [Facebook page](#), [Instagram page](#), and [website](#). These performances bring joy and pride to our entire community.

Have a good evening,
Sincerely,

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