



MILLBROOK CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
SMART SCHOOLS INVESTMENT
PLAN
(FINAL)

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Application 1



*SMART SCHOOLS
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Smart Schools Bond Act (SSBA)

The Smart Schools Bond Act was passed in the 2014-15 Enacted Budget and approved by the voters in a statewide referendum held during the New York State 2014 General Election on Tuesday, November 4, 2014. The Smart Schools Bond Act (SSBA) 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.

All District plans approved by the school board and submitted to the New York State Education Department must meet the required elements including demonstrating students' needs, minimal speed requirements for internet connectivity, professional development, technical support, and sustainability. As part of the process, districts are required to submit a District Instructional Technology Plan survey in compliance with the Education Law and Commissioner's Regulation.

Smart Schools Investment Plans

Millbrook Central School District qualified for \$324,471 from the Smart Schools Bond Act. This funding could be used for instructional technology and school safety upgrades.

SSIP for Millbrook 2026 District Plan is for Security upgrades

Proposed Security Upgrade

- Upgrading both Video Surveillance and Access Control system

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Preliminary SSIP: Safety and Security

Upgrade aged Video Surveillance Servers to cloud authenticated platform. Update access control system and add additional doors of access control.

Potential Plan Costs:

Alden Place Elementary	\$64,000
Elm Drive Elementary	\$57,000
Millbrook Middle School	\$99,000
Millbrook High School	\$76,000

BUDGET CATEGORY

SOFT COST	\$28,000
HIGH-TECH SECURITY FEATURES	\$296,000

Goal #1: Enhance the district's overall safety infrastructure.

Goal #2: Strengthen building security across all facilities.

Goal #3: Improve reliability and consistency of security system operations.

Goal #4: Streamline day-to-day monitoring and security management for district staff

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Draft Timeline

1. Develop the plan (November - December 2025)

- **Draft Investment Plan:** Create a draft **Smart Schools Investment Plan (SSIP)** outlining proposed expenditures, ensuring the projects align with the district's technology plan.
- **Capital Project Review:** If the plan includes capital projects, submit a preliminary review request to the Office of Facilities Planning before submitting the full SSIP (*Capital Project Review not required for this particular project*).

2. Public and board approval (December 2025 - January 2026)

- **Public Posting:** Post the draft SSIP on the district website for at least 30 days, including an address for written comments.
- **Public Hearing:** Host a public hearing to allow community feedback, providing two weeks' notice beforehand.
- **Revise and Finalize:** Revise the plan based on community feedback.
- **Board Approval:** Obtain approval for the final SSIP from the district's Board of Education.
- **Final Posting:** Post the final, approved plan on the district website.

3. Submit for state approval (January - March 2026)

- **Portal Submission:** Submit the final SSIP, including any required project numbers from the Office of Facilities Planning review, through the NYSED Business Portal.
- **NYSED Review:** The NYSED reviews the plan for completeness and adherence to guidelines.
- **Smart Schools Review Board:** The plan is then submitted to the Smart Schools Review Board for final approval.

4. Reimbursement and claims (Summer 2026)

- **Purchase and Implement:** Begin purchasing and implementing projects after state approval.
- **Submit Reimbursement Claims:** Submit requests for reimbursement through the online portal once expenditures have been made.
- **Receive Funds:** After NYSED approves the claim, funds will be paid to the district, typically within 90 days.

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