

Rye Neck UFSD

October 1, 2026

Referendum:

Final Scope

Overview, Timelines, and Community Impact
August 2026





The Rye Neck Union Free School District is proposing a \$23.6M referendum on October 1, 2026



The 2026 Capital Projects focus on modernizing the MS/HS Athletic Field Complex and supporting and enhancing infrastructure

Project Scope:

The final scope for the 2026 Capital Projects represents a comprehensive commitment to upgrading our district facilities.

After community discussions, consultation and architectural and engineering reviews, the strategic focus of this referendum is to renovate and reimagine the **MS/HS Athletic Field Complex** and to address important **infrastructure needs**.

MS/HS Athletic Field Complex:

- **Enhance Student Safety** by replacing deteriorated facilities with modern, high-quality playing surfaces and supporting infrastructure.
- **Improve Physical Education and Athletic Opportunities** by creating a multi-purpose athletic complex that accommodates physical education classes, interscholastic athletics, and extracurricular activities throughout the year.
- **Provide Essential Support Facilities** through the construction of a field house with restrooms, team rooms, athletic training space, concessions, storage, and maintenance areas to better serve students, athletes, and spectators.
- **Maximize Community Use** by providing facilities that can accommodate school programs as well as community recreation, youth sports, and events outside the instructional day.



Renovation Work



Window Replacements

Replacing aging windows on the Daniel Warren main building to ensure a safer, more comfortable, and energy-efficient environment while protecting the district's investment in its facilities.



HVAC Additions and Replacements

Addition of an HVAC for the Daniel Warren Kindergarten Wing which will provide cooling to four classrooms and two small instruction spaces.

Replacement of end-of-life HVAC units at the MS/HS campus.



Electrical Upgrades

Continue the electrical upgrade projects at the MS/HS campus which commenced in summer 2026.

Replacement of end-of-life equipment and relocate electrical metering to the gymnasium.



Strategic Timing

The district is **strategically timing** the 2026 Capital Projects to coincide with the **retirement of existing debt**, allowing new borrowing while **minimizing the impact on taxpayers**.

Capital Reserve Fund Use

The District is asking the community for permission to access up to **\$3.6M in the Capital Reserve Fund** to fund part of the non-aidable portions of the Athletic Complex project.

Athletic Field Complex

Redesign and Redevelopment

\$20.2M

Estimated total cost for the comprehensive revitalization of athletic facilities.

Renovation Work

Facilities Upgrades

\$3.4M

Estimated total cost for building systems and infrastructure updates.

Funding Plan

Proposed Sources

\$20.0M

Bond

\$3.6M

Capital Reserve Fund Use

Financial Information, Budget by Project

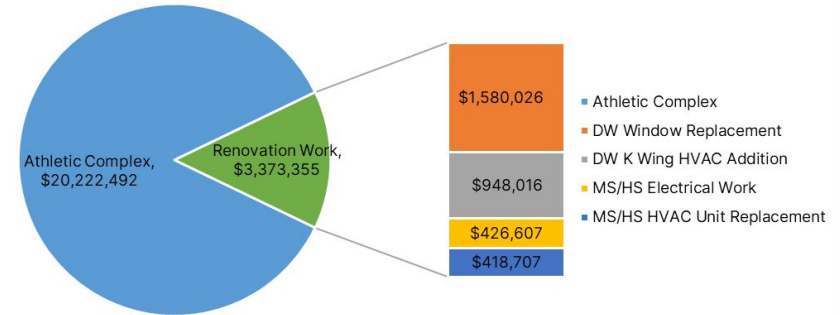
Total Project Budget:

\$23,595,847

Athletic Complex: \$20,222,492 (85.7%)

Renovation Work: \$3,373,355 (14.3%)

- DW Window Replacements: \$1,580,026
- DW K Wing HVAC Addition: \$948,016
- MS/HS Electrical Work: \$426,607
- MS/HS HVAC Unit Replacements: \$418,707

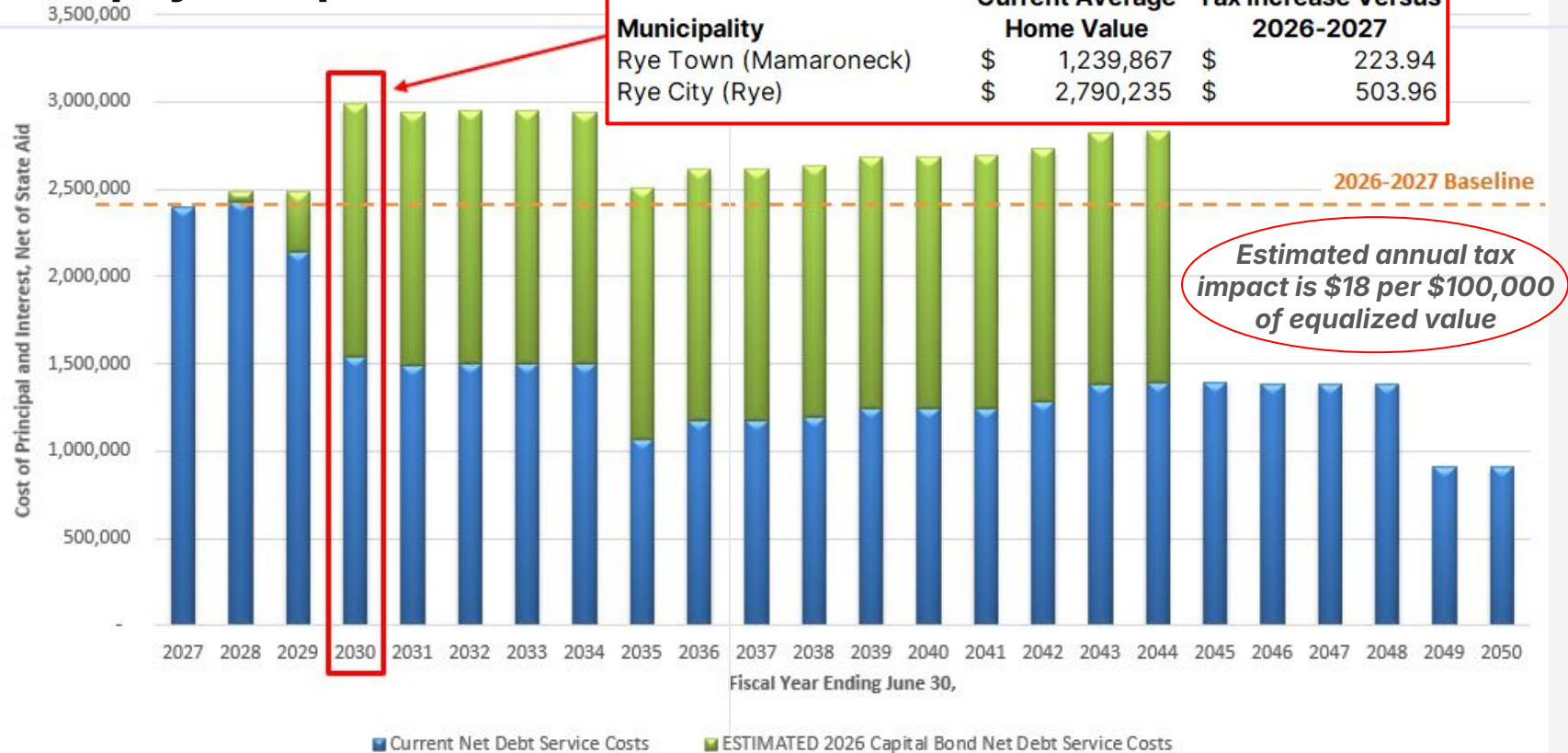


Financial Information, Taxpayer Impact



Estimated Peak Taxpayer Impact in 2029-2030 Budget Year

Municipality	Current Average Home Value	Estimated Annual Tax Increase Versus 2026-2027
Rye Town (Mamaroneck)	\$ 1,239,867	\$ 223.94
Rye City (Rye)	\$ 2,790,235	\$ 503.96



Note: These are estimates and are subject to change based on interest rates as well as changes in the tax rate calculation including equalizations rates, non-homestead proportions, and assessment values.



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2026 Referendum Projects: Estimated Timelines

Project	Estimated Design	Estimated Construction	Estimated Completion
MS/HS Athletic Field Construction	Oct 2026	Mar 2028	Nov 2028
MS/HS Electrical Upgrades	In Progress	In Progress	Fall 2027
Daniel Warren Kindergarten Wing HVAC Addition	Nov 2026	Jun 2027	Aug 2027
Daniel Warren Window Replacement	Nov 2026	Jun 2027	Oct 2027
MS/HS HVAC Replacements	Nov 2026	Dec 2027	Aug 2027

Factors that may impact timelines:

- **State Review:** The New York State Education Department may take weeks or months review and approve the project and issue required permits.
- **Weather:** Weather conditions may impact construction milestones.
- **Material Availability:** Procurement lead times for specialized equipment and materials.
- **Utility Coordination:** Scheduling with external utility providers.

■ ■ Upcoming Meetings and Presentations



There will be a final bond virtual **livestream** on **Wednesday, August 26, 2026 at 7:00PM** where Superintendent Burke will present a summary of the referendum, including the Who? What? When? Where? and Why?

There will be a **Town Hall Meeting** on **Wednesday, September 16, 2026 at 7:00PM** in the MS/HS Dining Hall. In addition, the District will offer an **optional tour of the current athletic facilities at 6:00PM**. All members of the community are invited to attend and ask questions about the bond and project work.

There will be a **hearing** related to the referendum vote on **Wednesday, September 23, 2026 at 6:00PM** in the MS/HS community room. The regular board meeting will immediately follow.

Where can I find more information about the proposed referendum vote on October 1, 2026?

The district has a referendum information page on the website which includes past presentations, videos, mailers and other materials:



RyeNeck Schools

Our
District

Board of
Education

2026 Bond
Referendum



REFERENDUM VOTE

When: October 1, 2026, 7:00am - 9:00pm

Where: Rye Neck Middle/High School Community Room (located in the library)

Early mail ballots are available, please contact Mary Ellen Chiera, District Clerk at mchiera@ryeneck.org for more information

