

VOTING INFORMATION:

Tuesday, November 15, 2022 • 11 a.m.- 8 p.m.

Johnstown Jr.-Sr. High School Auditorium Lobby

We hope you will find this brief communication about the upcoming proposed capital project informative. With limited space in this mailer, we encourage you to find more thorough details and additional photos on the District website:

https://www.johnstownschools.org/capital-project-updates/

A majority of the capital project scope includes reconstruction, renovations and improvements that are necessary for the upkeep of our facilities and continued safety of our staff and students — including windows, repairs to building exteriors, replacing aging heating and ventilation systems, addressing traffic flow safety, exterior drainage issues, interior plumbing, and improving exterior lighting at the three main schools. Being proactive will lengthen the lifespan of our facilities and save future costs associated with repairing a continually aging infrastructure.

There are a few things in the scope of the plan, however, that we believe will add to our students' learning experiences, including new locker space at Warren Street, new cafeteria serving lines at both Warren St. and Pleasant Ave., a reconfigured bus drop-off/pick-up area central to both the Jr.-Sr. High School and Warren St. campuses, and improvements to the learning environment of the JJSHS Lecture Hall.

Community Forum Information:

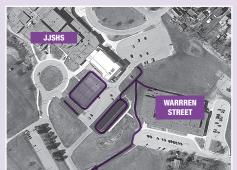
Tuesday, November 8, 2022 • 6:30 p.m.Johnstown Jr.-Sr. High School Lecture Hall

The capital project will not exceed \$15 million, and will be paid through financing \$14 million and using \$1 million from reserves (savings). The district's financial advisors have currently projected that there will be no additional tax levy due the anticipated reimbursement of building aid from NY state, in combination with securing financing at a time when the district is set to finish paying off debt from a previous capital project.

Please plan to attend a public forum at **6:30 p.m.** on **Tuesday, November 8** in the **JJSHS Lecture Hall**. This will afford our community the opportunity to learn more and ask questions before voting on **Tuesday, November 15**.

Dr. William Crankshaw, GJSD Superintendent of Schools

JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL



The scope of work at JJSHS would include exterior LED lighting, drainage work, improvements to HVAC systems and air ventilation, modernization of water lines, repairs to the building's foundation, walk-in freezer replacement, and more. The Exterior Insulation and Finish Systems (EIFS), which provide insulation and protection to the building's exterior, would be repaired. A new bus loop, central to both the HS and Warren St., will improve safety and alleviate traffic congestion. The outdoor multi-purpose instructional space (area of tennis/basketball court) will be replaced and relined to

accommodate a wider variety of activities. Damaged and obsolete theater seats in the lecture hall would be replaced with multi-purpose tables and chairs to provide a more functional learning space that can also be used for smaller-sized community events (guest speakers, etc), in addition to lighting and technology upgrades.

PLEASANT AVENUE ELEMENTARY







Work at Pleasant Avenue would include replacing antiquated kitchen equipment and installing an updated cafeteria serving line, replacement of flooring and windows, new exterior LED lighting, modernized HVAC controls, and replacing steam boilers with high efficiency condensing boilers.





WARREN STREET ELEMENTARY







Warren Street would see new classroom windows, repairs to wall cracks throughout the gymnasium, installation of a digital building heat management system, updated kitchen equipment and a new serving line, reconfiguration of the cafeteria to alleviate overcrowing, improvements to outside drainage, pavement and walkways, and new LED exterior lighting. A bay of student lockers would also be added to Warren Street.

THE KNOX BUILDING & GLEBE STREET (PTECH)







At the Knox Building, drainage issues on the playground would be addressed. At Glebe Street, which currently houses the PTECH program, repairs would be made to soffits and sections of the exterior envelope which are showing deterioration. Damaged entranceway columns would be replaced and the canopy would be repaired, exterior LED lighting would be added and improvements would be made to the HVAC system.



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ENERGY EFFICIENCY PLAN TO RESULT IN LONGTERM SAVINGS

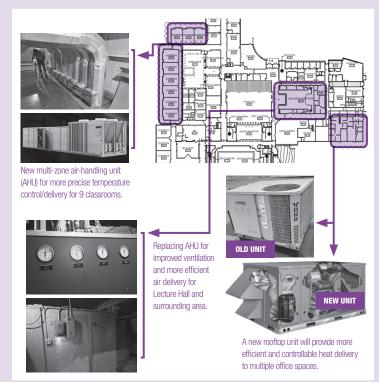
The District plans to enter into an Energy Performance Contract (EPC) with the John W. Danforth Company. The EPC scope of work will improve energy efficiency to learning environments throughout the district, focusing on projects such as lighting, temperature controls, ventilation, pipe and valve insulation, exterior and interior

weatherization solutions, properly sealing windows and doors, efficiency upgrades to hot water systems, and more.

The improvements are estimated to reduce the District's energy consumption between 28% and 32%. The EPC project will cost the District no more than \$3 million, however, the project is self-funded through guaranteed energy savings, which will pay for the project improvements over an 18-year timeframe. John W. Danforth the Energy Services Company (ESCO) maintains the full responsibility to ensure the guaranteed energy savings are met. New York state building aid, combined with energy savings for the project, will actually provide NEW positive revenue for the District, amounting to roughly \$40,000 per year. **The Energy Performance**Contract will not require a tax levy increase in the District.

"It made sense to engage in an Energy Performance Contract in tandem with the Capital Project," Superintendent of Schools Dr. William Crankshaw said. "The Capital Project and EPC will run simultaneously to allow for close coordination between managers overseeing construction work in our schools. While things are under repair, we want to take advantage of the opportunity to make energy upgrades which will show tremendous savings over time."

The John W. Danforth Company did a comparative analysis of the District's utility



costs and conducted a thorough energy audit in the spring and summer of 2022 to help shape the scope of work to be done at GJSD. Please read more on the District website.