



INVESTING IN THEIR FUTURE!

Cold Spring Harbor School District **BOND VOTE**

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2019 • 6 A.M.-10 P.M.

RALPH WHITNEY FIELD HOUSE AT CSH JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL

A Message from Board of Education President

Dear Community Residents,

Tuesday, November 19 is a very important and exciting date for the future of our school district. Residents will be asked to vote on a bond referendum which will transform teaching and learning in our district to benefit current and future generations of students. Focused on three distinct categories, enhancing safety and security, increasing academic opportunities and preserving/improving our school buildings, the proposed scope of work will enable Cold Spring Harbor to maintain its elite standing among all schools in the nation.

For more than a year, the Board of Education and administration worked diligently to analyze potential construction projects to be included in the plan. Meetings were held with members of the curriculum staff, site visits were made to other high-achieving schools and input was solicited from the community. The goal was a final proposal focused primarily on academics, with an understanding that safety and security and a well-maintained infrastructure are also vital to promoting student success.

The largest and most transformative item is the construction of a new science learning center at the

CSH Jr./Sr. High School, which will consist of four newly constructed science classrooms and a marine wet lab featuring the coral reef project. Also planned is a STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, mathematics) suite, including a redesigned space for robotics. Our world is changing and so must the way in which we teach our students. Please take a few moments to visit the district website at www.csh.k12.ny.us for a full list of the much needed exciting improvements scheduled for each school.

The total project cost of \$34,425,000 will be funded utilizing \$1,225,000 from the current capital reserve fund and a \$33,200,000 bond. **Payments for this new bond will be tax levy neutral, as existing, expiring debt will be replaced at no additional cost to taxpayers.** In addition, the district's stellar AAA bond rating will allow us to benefit from the lowest possible interest rate.

The future of our district and community is in our hands. There simply is no time to wait. I implore you to be a part of the process and vote on Tuesday, November 19.

Sincerely,
Anthony Paolano, Board of Education President

Highlights of the Bond Include:

- Enhanced Safety and Security
- Increased Academic Opportunities
- Preserving/Improving Facilities



PLEASE REMEMBER TO VOTE TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2019!



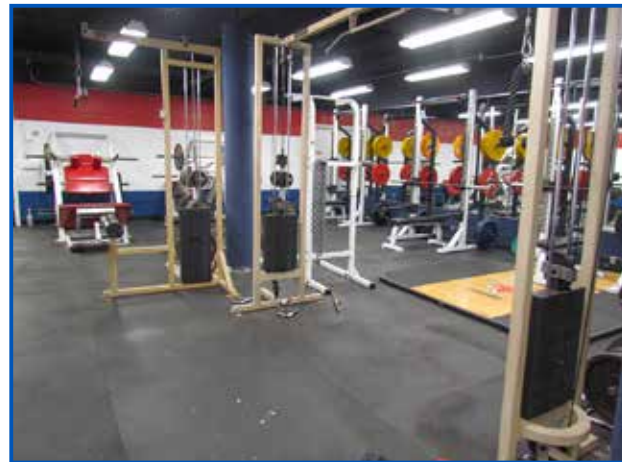
Highlights Of The Proposed Bond

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Our Schools NOW



The current science classrooms are not able to support current and future curriculum needs.



The current basement weightlifting room at CSH Jr./Sr. High School is not designed to be part of the physical education curriculum or athletic fitness program.



The space for Robotics at CSH Jr./Sr. High School is insufficient and can no longer accommodate the growing requirements of the program.



The kitchen at West Side Elementary School is insufficient in space and functionality.



The Little Theatre at Lloyd Harbor Elementary School needs renovation to maximize use.



Classroom doors in all schools need enhanced security features.



All schools are not equipped with full-building generators.



The music room at Goosehill Primary School does not adequately support the music program.



The current Coral Reef Project cannot survive in its current location at CSH Jr./Sr. High School.

Our Schools IN THE FUTURE

- A new science learning center at CSH Jr./Sr. High School with four classrooms and a marine wet lab, featuring the Coral Reef Project.
- A new STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, mathematics) suite at CSH Jr./Sr. High School, including a new robotics space.
- Full-building generators to avoid disruption of instruction and to ensure school openings at all schools in the event of local power outages.
- New sound and energy-efficient LED lighting systems in the CSH Jr./Sr. High School Performing Arts Center.
- An expanded kitchen, renovated cafeteria and additional parking at West Side Elementary School.
- Classroom alterations and renovations to the Little Theatre at Lloyd Harbor Elementary School.
- Renovated music space at Goosehill Primary School.
- Improved security for classroom doors in all schools.
- Current weightlifting room located in the basement of CSH Jr./Sr. High School will be relocated and renovated for use as a physical education/sports training space.
- Additional parking spaces will be created at CSH Jr./Sr. High School to accommodate parking needs during sporting events.

For a full list of bond projects and more information, visit the district website at www.csh.k12.ny.us.

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In Answer to *Your Questions...*

Q. How were the project cost estimates determined?

A. The district's architect used a combination of factors to determine the projected costs, including knowledge of the market, data on similar projects completed by other school districts, and state regulations regarding wage requirements and the bidding process. All building projects must be approved by the New York State Education Department and the New York State Department of Labor.

Q. Why fund the work through a bond and not the district's annual budget?

A. Long-term borrowing known as a bond is the method used by many school districts on Long Island to fund renovations too costly to include in the annual budget. These projects are also too costly to fund through the district's capital reserve fund. By bundling the work, the district is able to reduce the

overall cost, take advantage of the market and the district's excellent credit rating to secure the lowest interest rates, and complete the work sooner so all students benefit.

Q. Will the district receive any state building aid?

A. Yes, the district will receive approximately 17.5% in New York State Building Aid on the total cost of the bond.

Q. Will the district use any capital reserve fund money to fund the bond?

A. The district will use approximately \$1,225,000 from the capital reserve fund to offset the cost of the bond.

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FINANCIAL FACTS

Total Project Cost	\$34,425,000
Funded Through Capital Reserve	\$1,225,000
Total Bond	\$33,200,000

**New Bond Payments Will Be Tax Levy
Neutral At No Additional Cost To Taxpayers.**



IMPORTANT VOTER INFORMATION

VOTER ELIGIBILITY

- You must be a U.S. citizen.
- You must be 18 years of age or older.
- You must be a resident of the Cold Spring Harbor Central School District for at least 30 days prior to the vote.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Absentee ballot applications are available now through November 12 at the district office. For more information, visit the district website at www.csh.k12.ny.us.

Dates to Remember

**BOND COMMUNITY FORUM
TUESDAY NOVEMBER 12, 2019 • 8 P.M.
FRANCIS ROBERTS COMMUNITY CENTER
75 GOOSE HILL ROAD**

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