Smart Schools Initiative

**BOE Presentation
March 11, 2025**

Shenendehowa Early Learning Center

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Passed by New York Voters in November of 2014

Awarded $2 Billion to all public schools based on enrollment and state aid formula

Shenendehowa Central School Allocation was $3,926,194

Rules for Use of SSBA Funds

Six Categories

- School Networking
- Classroom Technology
- Community Connection
- Pre-K Classroom Improvements
- Elimination of Temporary/Trailer Classrooms
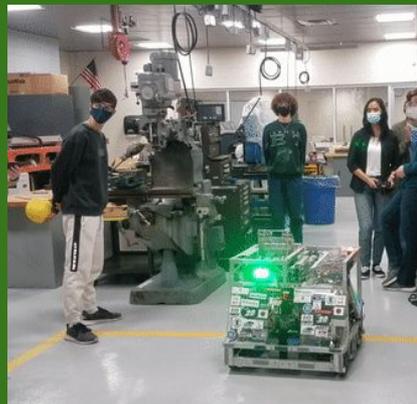- School Security and Safety

Rules for Use of SSBA Funds

- You cannot pay salaries
- You cannot pay BOCES
- You cannot purchase software

Shen's SSBA Projects

A plan was submitted in 2019 that included network upgrades, high tech security and a limited amount of classroom devices.

Project 1

HSE Tech Wing

Building Generators

PA Controllers

Fiber connecting buildings on campus

Proposed Project 2

Remaining allocation is $801,833

Early Learning Center

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Building network & PA wiring - materials & installation

Emergency Notification Boards & installation

IP Phones & installation

Two Large Group Instruction Spaces

Projectors TV Screens Audio Systems

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Early Learning Center Project Costs

Building network & PA wiring - materials & installation Installation of all Emergency Notification Boards Installation of all Wireless Access Points Two Large Group Instruction Spaces - equipment & installation	$629,000
Office and Classroom Phones	$54,862
Emergency Notification Boards & Analog Speakers	$117,971
Total	$801,833

Public Comments may be addressed to:
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Project Timeline

Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4

Priorities Set

Committee Review

BOE Review

Post Plan on Web

Administration consults current Shen plans that are state required, like the District Technology Plan to establish possible priorities in the approved categories.

Smart School Planning Committee reviews the proposal and makes recommendation to the Board of Education.

Student(s), Staff, Administrators, BOE member, Parent(s), Community member(s)

With the Committee's consent, proposal submitted to the BOE as a preliminary plan. BOE reviews the committee recommendations and possibly accepts the preliminary plan.

Smart Bond Investment Preliminary Plan is published on the school district web site with an email address for public comments for a minimum of 30 days.

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Step 5

Comments Reviewed

After 30 days the Smart Bond Investment Plan comments are reviewed by the Board of Education.

Step 6

BOE's Decision

Board of Education possibly approves final plan for submission to NYSED.

Step 7

Submit Plan to NYS

Final NYSED review could be six to 12 months.

Step 8

Funding Awarded!

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