

Scarsdale Board of Education Fall 2017

The Smart Schools Bond Act

- Approved by voters on November 14th, 2014
- \$2 billion in bonds "to finance improved educational technology and infrastructure to improve learning and opportunity for students throughout the State."

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- Full allocation \$444,960
- Includes approximately \$21,770 for technology "loaned" to IHM
- \$423,190 allocated to our District

Fast Facts

- No deadline for applying
- Designed to be accessed over several years, in multiple phases
- Slow initial implementation, but many districts have now applied and received funding

Our Plan

- Use the funds to replace a portion of our SmartBoards with interactive and noninteractive classroom displays, as reported to the Board and community last year
- A portion of our lease/purchase hardware funds will be used to replace remaining displays over the course of the next three to four years.









Progress to Date

- Submitted Approved Tech Plan
- Notified Higher Education representative
- Reviewed display vendor options during the 2016-17 school year

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- Met with local private school (IHM) in the summer of 2017
- Received clarification from state Smart Schools Bond Office
- Began to outline our phase one preliminary financial plan

Timetable for Moving Forward

- Preliminary Financial Plan (phase one): posted on our website for 30 days
- Community can email feedback
- Smart Schools Bond Hearing:
 November Board meeting
- Review of community feedback

Following the community hearing...

- Change plan if necessary
- Board approves and authorizes the superintendent to submit SSBA Finance Plan
- Wait for SSBA Review Board date and official review/notification (may take several months)

To be continued at our Smart Schools Bond Community Hearing...