



New Jersey School Boards Association

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Voters Approve Four of Seven School Construction Proposals

TRENTON, April 22, 2010 —Voters during the April 20 Annual School Election approved four of the school-construction proposals in seven New Jersey school districts, according to the New Jersey School Boards Association.

The seven school boards proposed a total of \$69.9 million of school construction, and voters in four of the districts approved nearly \$38.26 million in school construction. Of the amount approved, nearly \$11.3 million will be eligible for state reimbursement.

The Annual School Election is the date when voters in 90 percent of New Jersey school districts elect school board members and vote on their districts' annual budgets. It is also one of five dates a year on which school boards can propose referendum questions on construction projects. The remaining dates for school bond elections this year are Sept. 27 and Dec. 14.

Results of the April 20 school construction proposals are below

New Jersey School Construction Referendum Results Tuesday, April 20, 2010

STATEWIDE

Total amount approved – \$38,259,216 (\$69,917,338 requested)

Amount eligible for state reimbursement – \$11,299,176 (may include up-front school-construction grants, annual payments of debt service aid, or Clean Energy rebates)

BURLINGTON COUNTY

Springfield Township - Rejected (both proposals)

Proposal 1: Renovations to the Springfield Township Elementary School.

Total amount – \$3,070,055

Amount eligible for state reimbursement – \$1,228,022

Proposal 2 (contingent upon passage of Proposal 1): Install solar panels and air conditioning at Springfield Township Elementary School.

Total amount – \$2,550,000

Amount eligible for state reimbursement – \$1,020,000

CAMDEN COUNTY

Lawnside - Approved

Construct an addition of two pre-kindergarten classrooms, and elementary school renovations

Total amount – \$7,316,793

Amount eligible for state reimbursement – \$4,416,793

ESSEX COUNTY

Bloomfield - Approved

Improvements to athletic field

Total amount – \$2,914,160

(Not eligible for state reimbursement)

HUNTERDON COUNTY

North Hunterdon-Voorhees Regional - Rejected

Renovations to two schools, including new roofs, ADA compliance, science labs, restrooms, HVAC, and/or asbestos abatement

Total amount – \$17,496,672
Amount eligible for state reimbursement – \$6,998,668

Tewksbury Township - Approved

Renovations to Old Turnpike Middle School, including roof and boiler replacement, HVAC, lights, security, doors, accessibility, and sidewalks

Total amount – \$4,056,191
Amount eligible for state reimbursement – \$1,622,476

OCEAN COUNTY

Brick Township - Rejected

Install solar panels at high school and two middle schools

Total amount – \$8,541,395
Amount eligible for state reimbursement – \$3,416,558

UNION COUNTY

Union Township - Approved

Demolish and reconstruct a major portion of Central Five School, and renovations to remaining portion of school

Total amount – \$23,972,072
Amount eligible for state reimbursement – \$5,259,907

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