HORSEHEADS 2030: FINISHING THE BUILD

Capital Improvement Project Fact Sheet

On Tuesday, December 15, the Horseheads Board of Education is asking district residents to vote on the next phase of the district-wide capital improvement plan, Horseheads 2030: Finishing the Build.

Horseheads 2030: Finishing the Build is the final phase of a decade-long district-wide capital improvement project focused on pairing advancements in education with facilities updates to ensure equity of student experience across schools and grade levels. The scope presented to the Board of Education on October 15, 2026, includes classroom renovations, climate-control improvements, building-system upgrades, parking (drop-off/pick-up design), and additional site work at all six district schools.

The district strives to develop a project that maximizes New York State aid. An estimated 87% of the total project cost is eligible to receive New York State building aid. This final phase brings us closer to providing the best possible educational atmosphere for students, evolving hand-in-hand with curriculum and instruction to make the district a destination for families relocating to our region. Up-to-date school facilities contribute to maintaining property values, helping attract business and supporting our local economy.

There will be several opportunities to participate in public discussions. More information including project boards, fact sheets, newsletters, can be found online at www.horseheadsdistrict.com.


Completed - Ridge Road Library


Completed - Gardner Road Playground

Potential financial impact

Total proposed capital project work will be $128,081,134. The project will be financed with 15-year bonds, with the principal and interest payments paid primarily with New York State building aid. Additional funds from the district's capital reserve will be used to minimize the local share.

Total referendum	**$128,081,134**
Amount from district capital reserve fund	**$3,512,790**
Estimated NYS aidability	**87.14%**
Annual impact per $1,000 of full value (Tax Levy 6.95%)	**$1.05**

Impact for a $100,000 home	**Average Annual Cost**
With enhanced STAR	**$14.53**
With basic STAR	**$73.19**
With no STAR	**$104.56**



Find more project fast facts, key dates, and frequently asked questions on our dedicated Capital Project landing page.

Potential project scope and budgets

Big Flats Elementary
Potential budget: $19,518,998

- Right-size and renovate classrooms
- Climate control in remaining classroom spaces
- Playground improvements and tennis courts
- Parking lots, drives and concrete walks
- Paging system and masonry restoration

Ridge Road Elementary
Potential budget: $12,073,339

- Right-size and renovate classrooms
- Climate control in remaining classroom spaces
- Playground improvements and tennis court resurfacing
- Paging system upgrades and masonry restoration
- Exterior ramp and stair improvements

High School
Potential budget: $45,671,429

- Pool renovation and corridor addition
- Roof replacement in areas out of warranty; masonry restoration
- Paging system and network switch upgrades
- Climate control for remaining second-floor classrooms
- Concrete walks, loading-dock asphalt and playground improvements

Gardner Road Elementary
Potential budget: $26,108,399

- Right-size and renovate remaining classrooms
- Main entrance and library improvements
- Playground improvements
- Paging improvements and masonry restoration
- Parking lots, drives and concrete walks

Middle/Intermediate School
Potential budget: $22,836,727

- Roof replacement in areas out of warranty; masonry restoration
- Climate-control and chiller upgrades for classroom and classroom ceiling work
- Paging system, boiler, domestic water and mechanical upgrades
- Gymnasium door and floor renovation
- Concrete walks, loading-dock asphalt and playground

Bus Garage
Potential budget: $1,872,242

- Asphalt replacement around fuel tanks
- Maintenance-bay ventilation and mechanical improvements
- ADA improvements to toilet rooms
- Metal siding repair improvements

Upcoming Public Information Sessions

Wednesday, November 4, 2026	Tuesday, November 10, 2026	Tuesday, December 1, 2026
High School Auditorium	Horseheads Town Hall	Big Flats Community Center
6 p.m.	11 a.m.	6 p.m.

**** Public Information Sessions will consist of a Capital Project presentation followed by a question-and-answer session.*

Questions and project updates

For questions about ***Horseheads 2030: Finishing the Build***, contact the Horseheads Central School District Office at hcsdinfo@horseheadsdistrict.com or 607-739-5601. Additional project details and confirmed updates will be shared through official district channels.

Vote

Tuesday, December 15

7 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Horseheads High School

North Gym



Completed - Ridge Road Classroom