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WHITNEY POINT CSD TO HOLD VOTE ON PROPOSED CAPITAL PROJECT

Whitney Point, NY: The Whitney Point Central School District will vote on a \$27.7 million Capital Project — with an anticipated zero additional tax impact on the community — on May 18, 2021.

According to the District, a major scope item of the proposed capital project includes the district's first multipurpose artificial turf field at Tymeson Field with a new hybrid track and concession/restroom facilities and a new upgraded pool with six lanes and diving capacity.

To expand 21st century learning environments for Whitney Point students, new state-of-the-art STEAM classrooms at Toughnioga Riverside Academy and the High School are proposed. STEAM is an interdisciplinary, inquiry-based approach to learning where students can apply their knowledge of science, technology, engineering, art and mathematics to solve for real-world scenarios.

The project will also address a number of infrastructure items in all buildings. Additional key scope items are renovations to the main entrance of all three of the district's schools to enhance building security and improve visitor access, a new bus wash and other improvements to the Bus Garage.

"This proposed capital project is an opportunity to invest in our students' future," said District Superintendent Dr. Patricia Follette. "It will allow us to provide exciting upgrades to our facilities and continue to improve the quality of education and maintain the level of safety our students deserve and the community expects."

If the project is approved, construction will begin in June 2022 and end by Fall 2023. It is anticipated that 76% of the project's funding will come from NYSED Building Aid, 14% from existing retiring Debt Service, and the remaining 10% from the District's Capital Reserve account.

The district will host two virtual community meetings at 5:30 p.m. April 22 and 6:30 p.m. May 10 to share more information about the project with the community. The Zoom login information for these meetings will be shared on the district's website just prior to the actual meeting start time.

The vote will take place from 1 to 8 p.m. May 18 in the high school cafeteria, 10 Keibel Rd., Whitney Point. Absentee ballots will also be available.

For additional information on the project, visit the [capital project information page](#) on the district website. For any questions, more photos or to set up interviews, please contact Maggie Gilroy, Public Information Coordinator; mgilroy@btboces.org, 607-341-3124.

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District Vision

To be a community of excellence achieved through a commitment to high performance, morale and involvement.