



New Jersey School Boards Association

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Voters Approve \$35 Million in School Construction

TRENTON, October 1, 2008 — Voters in four school districts approved \$35.5 million in proposed school construction on Tuesday, the New Jersey School Boards Association reported today. State aid will cover more than \$11.7 million of the approved spending.

In all, seven school boards had placed referendum questions on Tuesday's ballot, for a total of \$130 million of proposed construction.

State law limits school special elections to five specific dates a year. The final bond referendum date this year will be Tuesday, Dec. 9.

The following are results of the bond questions on the Sept. 30 ballot:

New Jersey School Construction Referendums Tuesday, Sept. 30, 2008

STATEWIDE

Total amount approved – \$35,530,601 (\$130,009,272 proposed)
Amount eligible for state reimbursement – \$11,750,137

MONMOUTH COUNTY

Shore Regional – Passed

Replace heating, ventilation and air conditioning system at high school
Total amount – \$13,999,645
Amount eligible for state reimbursement – \$5,599,858

Wall Township – Rejected (both questions)

Proposal 1: Construct a new early learning center and acquire land; renovations to the high school
Total amount – \$35,940,565
Amount eligible for state reimbursement – \$4,500,777

Proposal 2 (contingent upon passage of Proposal 1): Renovations to the high school athletic fields and facilities.
Total amount – \$7,527,282
(Not eligible for state funding)

MORRIS COUNTY

Butler – Proposal 1 Passed; Proposals 2 & 3 Rejected

Proposal 1: Renovations to Butler High School athletic fields
Total amount – \$3,046,756
Amount eligible for state reimbursement \$788,069

Proposal 2 (contingent upon passage of Proposal 1): Install artificial turf
Total amount – \$600,000
(Not eligible for state funding)

Proposal 3 (contingent upon passage of Proposal 1): Upgrade grass fields at Aaron Decker Elementary School
Total amount – \$350,885
Amount eligible for state reimbursement – \$140,354

Pequannock Township – Passed

Renovations to the high school and middle school
Total amount – \$12,990,000
Amount eligible for state reimbursement – \$5,142,760

PASSAIC COUNTY

Passaic Valley Regional – Rejected

Renovations to the high school

Total amount – \$8,513,335

Amount eligible for state reimbursement – \$2,865,334

SALEM COUNTY

Pennsville Township – Rejected (both questions)

Proposal 1: Renovations and additions to the high school

Total amount – \$37,481,528

Amount eligible for state reimbursement – \$12,735,748

Proposal 2 (contingent upon approval of Proposal 1): Renovations to four schools

Total amount – \$4,065,076

Amount eligible for state reimbursement – \$1,626,030

WARREN COUNTY

Warren Hills Regional – Passed

Construction and renovations to athletic fields and facilities

Total amount – \$5,494,200

Amount eligible for state reimbursement – \$219,450

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