

# SMART SCHOOLS BOND ACT



## **New York Smart Schools**



Huntington Union Free School District

Board of Education Meeting Monday, November 17, 2014

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

- The Smart Schools Bond Act was included in the 2014-15 State Budget.
- ➤ It authorizes the issuance of \$2 billion of general obligation bonds to finance improved educational technology and technological infrastructure.

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The Smart Schools Bond Act was approved by the voters on Tuesday, November 4 (Proposition 3).

> Huntington is slated to receive

\$1,407,121



#### FUNDING MAY BE USED TO ...

- Acquire learning technology equipment or facilities, including but not limited to interactive whiteboard, computer servers, and desktop/laptop/tablet computers.
- Install high-speed broadband or wireless internet connectivity for schools and communities.

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- Construct, enhance, and modernize educational facilities to accommodate pre-kindergarten programs and to provide instruction space to replace classroom trailers.
- Install high-tech security features in school buildings and on school campuses, including but not limited to video surveillance, emergency notification systems and physical access controls.

#### STATUTORY GUIDELINES

- Each district must submit a Smart Schools Investment Plan. The Smart Schools Review Board may approve, reject or return the plan for modification.
- The plan must be developed in consultation with parents, teachers, students and other stakeholders.

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- The Smart Schools allocation does not expire. If the allocation is not used in one school year, it can be carried over to the next school year.
- Smart School allocation may not be used to generate other types of State School Aid.

### NEXT STEPS ...

