

NORTH GREENBUSH COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Residents:

In mid-August, we sent a letter to all of our North Greenbush CSD residents to share plans that would address the educational and financial challenges we are facing due to our town's residential growth. This letter provides you with an update on our capital planning process, including adjustments in our timeline.

A Community Advisory Committee was established to provide the Board of Trustees with meaningful feedback on our planning efforts. This committee has met each month over the past three months to share insights with our board and administration as well as to ask questions. Thank you to this group for volunteering their time. Feedback from the committee and the community has been invaluable in helping to shape our efforts to date. The notes from these meetings are available on our district's website at www.northgreenbushcommon.org.


Over the past several months, we have reviewed and identified the repair needs for the Little Red School, preserving it for the future. We have reviewed projected floor plans for a new addition, which is scheduled to house needed classroom and office space. We have also completed a site survey, which allows for the development of a large parking lot and a new, safer driveway entrance away from the front of the Little Red building. We will continue to work through a proposed budget for this project, one that we can do with no tax rate increases. This has been our priority.

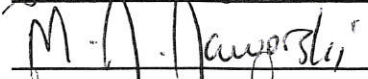
We originally hoped for a two-part referendum vote in mid-November for residents to authorize the proposed land purchase from LaSalle, build additional classroom/office space and renovate Little Red's existing infrastructure. However, our timeline has changed a bit due to additional requirements associated with the age of the Little Red building as well as geotechnical, environmental and archeological reports that just take longer to complete.

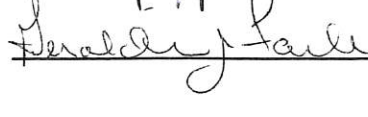
We are now anticipating a public vote in February or early March 2020. We will continue to keep you informed, primarily through the information posted on our website. However, please feel free to call the district office or check with any of the members of our Community Advisory Committee for further information or questions you have. This committee will continue to meet as we work to finalize the project's scope of work and budget.

Thank you for your feedback and your questions. We will share additional information – including dates for a public meeting and hearing – well in advance of the vote date.

Sincerely,

 Board President

 Board Vice President

 Board Member