

Amherst Central Schools Smart Schools Initiative

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Smart Bond Initiative

Passed by New York Voters in November of 2014
Awarded \$2 Billion to all Schools based on
enrollment and state aid formula

Amherst Central's Award is \$1,043,273

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Rules for these use of these funds

6 categories

- Classroom Connectivity
- Classroom Technology
- Community Connection
- Pre-K Classroom Improvements
- Elimination of Temporary/Trailer Classrooms
- School Security and Safety

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What you can't do.....

- You cannot pay salaries
- You cannot pay for software
- You cannot pay for professional development

•You are expected to provide these, but you can't pay for them from the Bond.

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**Amherst Central Schools'
Recommendations**

Construction and Renovation of Pre-K
instructional spaces.

These funds will be used to offset the
local share of the project.

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Next Steps

A Facilities committee including administration,
staff, and community representatives
recommended this proposal.

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Final Steps

1. A public hearing, as required, was held as a component prior to the successful community voting on the capital project.
2. This Smart Schools Investment Plan will be published on the school district web site with an email address for any public comments.

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Final Steps

3. The Board of Education can approve the proposed use of Smart School Funds.
4. The approved plan will be submitted to NYSED.
5. The Plan then churns through NYSED for about 10 to 12 months.

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Any Questions or comments can be emailed to

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