



District Newsletter

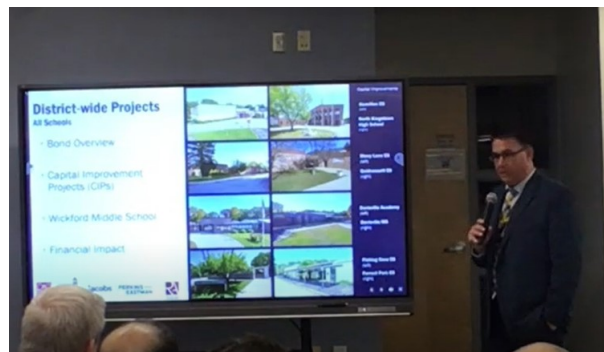
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November 2024 School Bond Facility Projects Every School, Every Student

It is the vision of the North Kingstown School Department to keep two middle schools in our town. Our plan is to build a new Wickford Middle School to replace the old 1932 building. The new Wickford Middle School will be built where the athletic fields are currently. Once the new school has been built, new athletic fields will be laid out where the current school is located. For Davisville Middle School, we have identified a number of specific renovations over the next 5 years to improve that educational facility. In addition, our elementary schools will receive much-needed renovations.

Dr. Duva, NK School Superintendent |

Recording of Public Forum on School Facility Projects and 2024 School Bond 10.21.24



Presentation Slides from Public Forum on School Facility Projects and 2024 School Bond 10.21.24



Proposed School Bond Capital Improvement Projects

As we continue to strive for excellence in education, it is essential that we also ensure our facilities reflect our commitment to creating a safe, innovative, and effective learning environment for all students.

Our schools play a vital role in shaping the future of our children and our community. We are fortunate to have dedicated educators, engaged families, and talented students who contribute to the success of our district. However, as we look ahead, we must also address the significant challenges posed by the aging facilities and infrastructure in North Kingstown.

Many of our buildings are decades old and, while they have served us well, they require substantial upgrades to continue providing safe, effective learning environments for our students. The wear and tear over time, combined with new educational demands, mean that we can no longer delay essential improvements.

It is the vision of the North Kingstown School Department **to keep two middle schools in our town**. The plan is to build a new Wickford Middle School on the current property of the school. The new school will be built where the current athletic fields are. Once the new school is built new fields will be laid out where the current school is located. We have identified specific renovations for Davisville Middle School over the next 5 years. Each Elementary School will also receive renovations with the proposed School Bond. **The School Bond in the amount of \$137,200,000 is on the ballot for this November's election.**

These capital improvement projects are not just about maintaining our buildings; they are about ensuring that every child in our district has the opportunity to learn in a safe, supportive, and inspiring environment. Quality facilities are a critical component of educational success, and they reflect our community's commitment to the future.

Your voices are important to us. We value your participation in shaping the future of our district. You can use the [link below](#) to forward any questions you have. We will compile answers into our FAQ.

<https://forms.gle/3aCbeTKFFTRkz5aCA>

You can also find past and recent presentations from the School Building Committee on our [School Facility Projects page](#).

<https://www.nksd.net/page/school-facility-projects-2024>



District-Wide Improvements:

- All elementary schools need roof replacements as well as upgrades to their heating and ventilation systems;
- Heating and Ventilation upgrades to NKHS and Davisville Academy;
- Security vestibules will be added to Fishing Cove, Hamilton, Quidnessett, Stony Lane, and Davisville Academy;
- ADA accessibility upgrades to Davisville Middle School, Fishing Cove, Hamilton, Quidnessett, and Stony Lane;
- Fire alarm replacement to Forest Park

- Elementary School;
- Plumbing and bathroom upgrades at Fishing Cove, Forest Park, Hamilton;
- New Boiler at Davisville Academy;
- New Water Filling Stations at NKHS, Stony Lane, Quidnessett, & Davisville Academy;
- Add classroom walls at Stony Lane, Quidnessett, and Fishing Cove Elementary schools;

Renovations to Davisville Middle School

- New 21st Century Library Media Classroom;
- Offices/Instructional Spaces for Social Worker, School Psychologist, and Student Assistance Counselor;
- Plumbing and bathroom upgrades;
- New water filling stations;
- New student lockers;
- Replace existing operable classroom walls with permanent walls;
- New Conference Room;
- Upgrade Heating and Ventilation systems with new Cooling systems (AC);
- ADA compliance upgrades;



Click here for a full listing of Capital Improvement Projects and estimated costs

New Wickford Middle School

- To be built adjacent to the existing building
- Construction of a new 79,500 sq ft school
- 400 students
- Net Zero Building
- Geo-Thermal heating
- Solar PVC
- 21st Century Learning Spaces
- Media Center and Tech/STEM Lab
- Designated Choral, Music, and Art studios



If you have questions related to the proposed school facility projects please include them in this google form <https://forms.gle/6kE215qJHhw5NgWP9>
We will add responses to our FAQ documents.



EVERY SCHOOL, EVERY STUDENT

IMPROVEMENTS TO 9 SCHOOLS

NEW CONSTRUCTION WICKFORD MIDDLE SCHOOL



RENOVATIONS

DAVISVILLE MIDDLE SCHOOL

- New 21st Century Media Center
- Replace Partition Walls with Permanent Walls
- New Student Lockers
- New Instructional Spaces for Mental Health Staff
- New Conference Room
- Bathroom Upgrades
- New Gymnasium Divider*

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

- Classroom Walls at Stony Lane, Fishing Cove and Quiddessett Elementary Schools

DISTRICT-WIDE

- New Roofs
- HVAC Upgrades
 - Building Management Systems*
- ADA Requirements
- Security Vestibules

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School Bond Vote Nov 2024

New Wickford Middle School - \$77,069,570
District-Wide Capital Improvements - \$64,383,900

Total from Bond - \$137,200,000

Total from *Secondary Funds - \$4,253,470

Total Project Cost - \$141,453,470

★ 35-40% RIDE REIMBURSEMENT ON ALLOWABLE PROJECTS

*Secondary funds will be school department funds from capital budget, surplus, and savings from the bond projects. Projects identified from the secondary fund will only be completed as funds are available. Identified projects have an asterisk next to them.

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Superintendent of Schools

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