

VOTE ON VITAL IMPROVEMENTS ON **OCTOBER 25, 2022, 12PM TO 8PM**

## ORANGE-ULSTER BOCES CAPITAL PROJECT VOTE

### **VITAL IMPROVEMENTS** *Necessary for BOCES Gibson Road & Arden Hill Campuses*

Orange-Ulster BOCES is holding a public vote on a proposed capital project to fund essential improvements at its Gibson Road and Arden Hill campuses in Goshen.

While 80% of the project is to upgrade infrastructure and spaces that have exceeded their useful life, the project will add much needed instructional areas and renovate dated environments. These updated areas will serve to better prepare students from our communities for college, careers, and life.

We encourage you to participate in this vote on **Tuesday, Oct. 25, 2022, from 12pm to 8pm.**



*CTE students participate in academic and hands-on instruction that provide them with skills demanded by the labor market while preparing them for post-secondary degrees or entry into the workforce.*



*Not all students learn the same way, and Orange-Ulster BOCES Special Education programs provide for the needs of nearly 1,000 special learners each year.*



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## About BOCES & the Capital Project

The Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) operates in partnership with 17 local school districts to provide specialized educational opportunities and services.

Career and Technical Education (CTE) is vital to both our students and the local workforce. Through CTE, students receive education and training in job skills for numerous trades, including automotive, health careers and aviation. The Division of Special Education provides specialized instruction for children with needs that cannot be supported in their home school districts. In addition, Adult Education programs are an indispensable source of education and training for adult learners. Each year, the BOCES serves more than 2,000 CTE students, 1,000 special needs students and in excess of 4,500 adult education students.

The BOCES also provides vital and cost-effective support services to area school districts. For example, more than 6,500 area teachers received professional development through the BOCES Instructional Support Division. The Technology Division assists districts by providing internet services and last year facilitated the purchase of more than 12,000 devices now in use in schools throughout the region.

The initial scope of the capital project was determined through the Building Condition Survey (BCS) which is mandated by the State of New York for all school districts every five years. The BCS identified significant areas of need across the campuses. The Gibson Road Campus, with buildings constructed in 1971, has the greatest need. The most recent capital project on this campus was completed in 1988, 34 years ago. The Arden Hill Campus (the former Arden Hill Hospital) requires significant work to be fully renovated into educational space.

By going forward with this comprehensive project, including all of the critical renovations and improvements, this initiative seeks to take advantage of an economy of scale. This will eliminate the need for the BOCES to bring smaller scaled projects to our community every few years. The construction and renovation would start in 2024. ■

## Gibson Road Campus

*The Career and Technical Education Center (CTEC) would be updated at a cost of \$67M. Renovations would include:*

- Replacement of original roof (1971)
- Replacement of original single-pane windows (1971)
- Replacement/upgrade of electrical, heating, ventilation, and air conditioning
- Advancements in energy efficiency
- Construction of security vestibule to establish single point of entry
- Replacement/upgrade of failing sanitary and well systems



*Deteriorating and outdated mechanical equipment.*



**With a total project cost of \$158,825,054 the average cost per month to a homeowner with a property assessed at \$300,000 is \$4.58. This project is eligible for State Aid, which will be reimbursed to the local school districts.**

# 2nd

Largest number of career and technical offerings in New York State



# 1,863

Our Instructional Support Division provided 1,863 professional learning courses that enrolled 6,517 in the 2021-2022 school year



# 12,622

Computers/devices purchased for our districts through our Technical Support Services Division in the 2021-2022 school year



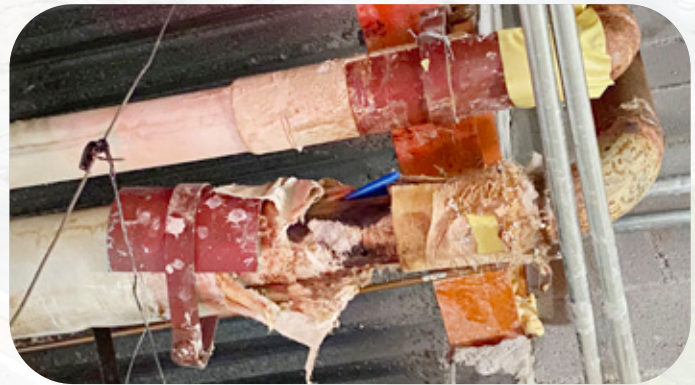


*The Emanuel Axelrod Education Center would be updated at a cost of \$57M. Renovations would include:*

- Replacement of original roofs (1971, 1988)
- Replacement of original single-pane windows (1971, 1989)
- Replacement/upgrade of electrical, heating, ventilation, and air conditioning
- Advancements in energy efficiency
- Construction of security vestibule to establish single point of entry
- Creation of support space for students
- Conversion of administrative space to student classrooms



*Temporary repairs on a 50-year-old roof on the Axelrod building.*



*Deteriorating plumbing & damaged insulation in a hallway.*



*A representation of the new gymnasium planned at the Arden Hill Campus.*

## Arden Hill Campus

*The Arden Hill Campus would be updated at a cost of \$35M. Renovations would include:*

- Replacement of the roof on the main building
- Replacement of exterior windows
- Renovation of third floor to add ten classrooms
- Renovation of north wing to add seventeen classrooms
- Construction of new gymnasium (no gymnasium currently exists)
- Renovation of office building to allow for conversion to classrooms on Gibson Road

# 81%

More than 81% of OU BOCES Special Education students met or exceeded proficiency standards on the New York State Alternative Assessment

(2018-19 NYSAA Data from Mid-Hudson RIC)



# OVER 200

Career & Technical Education **local** business and industry partners



# 30%↑

Increase in enrollment in Career & Technical Education Programs since 2012





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## About the Vote

Voters must be United States citizens, at least 18 years old and legal residents of the Orange-Ulster BOCES Supervisory District boundaries at least 30 days prior to the vote.

You may obtain an absentee ballot application by contacting the BOCES' Board Clerk at (845) 291-0100, extension 10111 or [sharleen.depew@ouboces.org](mailto:sharleen.depew@ouboces.org).

## CHOOSE TO VOTE AT ANY OF THESE LOCATIONS 12pm to 8pm

**Chester:** Chester Academy (Band Room), 64 Hambletonian Ave., Chester, NY 10918

**Cornwall:** Cornwall Public Library (Community Room), 395 Hudson St., Cornwall, NY 12518

**Florida:** Seward Memorial Building (Board Room), 51 North Main St., Florida, NY 10921

**Goshen:** Goshen Main Street Administration (Board Room), 227 Main St., Goshen, NY 10924

**Greenwood Lake:** Greenwood Lake Elementary School (Gymnasium), 80 Waterstone Road, Greenwood Lake, NY 10925

**Highland Falls/Fort Montgomery:** Highland Falls Intermediate School (Gym), 52 Mountain Ave., Highland Falls, NY 10928

**Kiryas Joel:** Kiryas Joel Public School (Multipurpose Room), 1 Dinev Road, Monroe, NY 10950

**Marlboro:** Town of Marlborough Community Room (Courthouse), 21 Milton Tpke., Milton, NY 12547

**Middletown:** Middletown Board of Education, 223 Wisner Ave., Middletown, NY 10940

### Minisink:

- Minisink Valley Intermediate School (Gym A), 2320 Route 6, Slate Hill, NY 10973

- Otisville Elementary School (Lobby), 2525 Mount Hope Road, Otisville, NY 10963

**Monroe-Woodbury:** Monroe-Woodbury Education Center, 278 Route 32, Central Valley, NY 10917

### Orange-Ulster BOCES:

- Arden Hill Campus (Cafeteria), 4 Harriman Drive, Goshen, NY 10924

- Gibson Road Campus, Axelrod Building (Gymnasium), 53 Gibson Road, Goshen, NY 10924

### Pine Bush:

- Pine Bush Fire House (Station 1), 2405 Route 52, Pine Bush, NY 12566

- Circleville Elementary School (Gym), 2000 Route 302, Circleville, NY 10919

**Port Jervis:** Port Jervis High School (Tri-State Gym), 10 Route 209, Port Jervis, NY 12771

**Tuxedo:** George Grant Mason Elementary School (Multi-Purpose Room), 11 Hillside Ave., Tuxedo Park, NY 10987

**Valley Central:** Valley Central Administration Office, 944 Route 17K, Montgomery, NY 12549

**Warwick:** Dorothy C. Wilson Education Center (Board Room), 225 West St. Extension, Warwick, NY 10990

**Washingtonville:** Washingtonville High School (Pool Atrium), 54 West Main St., Washingtonville, NY 10992

**NOTE:** Residents of the Newburgh Enlarged City School District, which is not a component district of Orange-Ulster BOCES, are not eligible to vote on the proposed capital project.



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From healthcare to autobody, CTE offers career readiness options to students with varied interests.

