

# Smart Schools Investment Plan

## Board of Education Meeting

April 5, 2023

## Agenda

- ❖ What is the NYS Smart Schools Bond Act?
- ❖ Smart Bond Process
- ❖ BSCSD Investment Plan
- ❖ Next Steps

## What is the NYS SSBA?

The purpose of the Smart Schools Bond Act is to improve learning and opportunity for public and nonpublic school students by funding projects that target the following areas:

1. Install high-speed broadband or wireless internet connectivity for schools and communities (Community and School Connectivity).
2. Acquire learning technology equipment for facilities, including but not limited to interactive whiteboards, computer servers, and desktop, laptop, and tablet computers (Classroom Learning Technology).
3. Construct, enhance, and modernize educational facilities to accommodate prekindergarten programs and to provide instructional space to replace classroom trailers (Pre-K & Mobile Classrooms).
4. 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 (High Tech Security).

## Smart Bond Process

Ballston Spa School District allocation - \$2,444,766

1. District Instructional Technology Plan - approved
2. Investment plan development (SSIP) - *Projects will be completed in phases*
3. Plan draft posted on website for 30 days [Smartbond@bscsd.org](mailto:Smartbond@bscsd.org)
4. Committee review comments
5. Board review/ approval
6. Submit to NYS
7. State review board - revise/update as necessary
8. SED plan approval
9. Expenditure & reimbursement

## Smart Schools Investment Plan Focus

<b>School Connectivity</b>	Infrastructure	\$390,000
<b>Classroom Learning Technology</b>	Instructional Technology	\$1,565,682
<b>High Tech Security</b>	Security Integration	\$360,000
<b>Private Schools</b>	Required Allocation	\$129,084
<b>Total Investment</b>		<b>\$2,444,766</b>

*Projects will be completed in phases over the next 3-5 years*

## Summary

### Key Highlights of Initiatives

- **Long Range Planning**
  - School Connectivity
  - Classroom Technology
  - High Tech Security
- **Cost**
  - Completely state grant funded

## Next Meeting- May 17<sup>th</sup>

- ◆ Plan Review
- ◆ Board Vote