



WALL TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear WTPS Family:

I hope that you enjoyed a wonderful weekend. I would like to share two opportunities that will help you learn more about the Wall Township Public Schools' bond referendum before the vote on Tuesday, December 13.

Tomorrow, Tuesday, November 15: Architects and financial advisers will again present information about the proposed improvements to all of Wall Township Public Schools. We have planned for additional time so that the architects can share more details, and the public is invited to ask questions. You are invited to attend the Board of Education meeting in person at the Wall High School Cafeteria or view the presentation virtually via our [WTPS BOE YouTube channel](#). The presentation will begin at approximately 7:30 PM. As always, the meeting is also recorded and the recording will be posted on our website shortly thereafter.

Thursday, December 1: A Virtual Forum will give the public a chance to learn about the proposal from the comfort of their homes. For the third time, architects and financial advisers will share information and take questions. School administrators, Board of Education members, and staff will do the same. The link for this webinar-style forum will be shared before the event begins at 7:00 PM. At this time, questions for the panelists can be sent to vision@wallpublicschools.org. A recording of this **Virtual Forum** will also be available afterward.

The referendum website, www.wallpublicschools.org/Vision, is a 24/7 source of information related to the bond referendum. You will find:

- How to check, create, or update your voter registration; how to vote by mail if you choose; how to find important forms and deadlines for voters.
- Financial details, including how WTPS can make \$53.1 million in renovations within the existing tax rate.
- Updated FAQs that break down the information into easy-to-digest pieces.

The Board was focused on strategically packaging the most critical needs into one ballot question that would have **no impact on the current property tax rate**. A second question on the same ballot would include other important projects and result in a tax increase of about \$5/month for a home assessed at Wall Township's average.

Together those questions rely on \$20 million in state aid that can only come through a voter-approved bond referendum. Without it, 100% of the costs would come from local taxes.

Follow our social media ([Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#)) for updates on our efforts to share information with the WTPS community.

I look forward to the upcoming opportunities to share our district's vision regarding the referendum.

Sincerely,

Tracy R. Handerhan, D. Litt.
Superintendent of Schools

Please be reminded that schools are **closed** for students this **Wednesday, November 16, 2022**, for a district-wide professional development day. **Note: School offices will not be open due to Administrative Assistants' training on Wednesday.**

WTPS continues to actively **recruit bus drivers**. If you, or someone you know, would like to join our transportation team, **please contact Judy White, Transportation Supervisor, at 732.681.7698.**