Rumson-Fair Haven Regional High School Referendum October 2, 2018

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Referendum Details

We are asking voters to approve funding to make necessary renovations and upgrades to keep Rumson-Fair Haven Regional High School current, efficient, and safe.

WHAT	WHY	SOLUTIONS
Renovate Third Floor Learning Areas	Additional classroom space is needed and the existing learning areas are not up to today's innovative teaching and learning standards.	Converting four existing classrooms and storage areas into six updated and modern educational spaces thus providing much needed additional classroom spaces that are better matched to the school's educational requirements.
Renovate Special Education Spaces	The existing office space is underutilized and would better serve to provide spaces that will meet the needs of innovative instruction techniques and provide improved special education services.	Updating existing classrooms to provide a comfortable and engaging environment for enhanced learning and development. This would provide a space where students would benefit from occupational therapy services.
Construct Back-Stage Wood Shop	The existing woodshop is undersized for the use of both shop class and theater needs.	Situated behind the stage for direct access during rehearsals and performances, the additional new wood shop would provide a safe accessible are for theater-pop construction. The existing wood shop would be dedicated to RFH's full complement of woodworking classes.
Library Modernization	Currently the library is outdated, worn, and inefficiently oriented for student needs and teacher instruction.	Full redesign of the lower level of the library to reflect current and future streamlined media services. The remodeled space would be vibrant and flexible, designed to adjust to students' varying needs, including access to technology and group work spaces.
Community Room / Testing Center	Currently there is not a flexible community space for the public to gather for meetings.	Included in the library modernization is the design and construction of a flexible, multi- purpose space that would include a community room, testing center, and separate makers space, open to the Rumson-Fair Haven communities.
Science Lab Renovations	There is a need to improve class and lab set-up to support the instructional approaches of Next Generation Science Standards and match instructional space with current teaching methods.	Classroom layouts would be updated to better suit a science learning environment and modernized with equipment for the future. Classroom accessibility would meet all ADA requirements.



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STEM Focus and Technology Upgrades	RFH seeks to improve and support our students with the tools they need to succeed in the digital world. Today's learned environment has quickly evolved to require access to the latest technology and efficiency, flexibility and mobility in our classrooms.	Reimagine space for technological advances including multipurpose technology labs and specialized learning environments. STEM spaces would be flexible and easily accessible, increasing opportunities for collaboration among students, which in turn, will better prepare them for college and careers.
Guidance Office Re- Configuration	The RFH Guidance Department is a busy, dynamic place year-round. The current layout is outdated and an inefficient use of space.	A fully renovated and re-imagined guidance suite would create private and group meeting spaces, six offices, staff work areas, and required secure storage for students records.
New Girls Locker Room	The current girls locker room is notably outdated and used by visiting sports teams. It is only accessible via stairs and does not meet ADA requirements.	A full renovation of the existing graphics lab would allow for a separate, private locker room on the first floor that is accessible and connects directly to the gymnasium. This space would provide ample locker space, bathrooms, and showers dedicated to the girls physical education classes.
Auditorium Upgrades	There is an increased need to promote instructional flexibility and improvements to facilities for the performing arts.	Solutions would include new lighting, stage control upgrades, and updated finishes throughout the auditorium that would provide the necessary improvements and flexibility for the performing arts program.
Turf - Upper Field (Softball, Baseball) and Field Hockey Fields	RFH's stadium turf field is used year-round by student-athletes of all ages as well as Rumson and Fair Haven youth sports leagues. Over time the condition of the turf deteriorates which can results in safety concerns for student-athletes.	Plans to replace the existing track and turf in Borden Stadium during the summer of 2019. Increased fencing, backstop, subgrade prep., and drainage system improvements would reduce the strain on current facilities and improve safety for our athletes and other community members who use our fields.

