

Middleburgh

CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT



Capital PROJECT

2025

Proposed capital project would fortify and improve facilities for current and future generations, preserve buildings as an essential community resource



District-wide Repairs and Improvement

On Tuesday, May 20 district residents will vote on an \$8.1 million capital project that would utilize state aid and \$2 million from our Capital Reserve to pay for over a dozen repairs and improvements to our facilities. **If passed, the capital project would have no additional impact on our tax levy.**

Repairs and enhancements included in the capital project are focused on resolving current facility repair needs, preparing our infrastructure for future needs, improving safety for our students and staff, and supporting community services in our buildings.

Through careful, long-term planning, MCS is able to capitalize on state funding to support the local investment in our facilities in order to serve both our students and the community.

This capital project, not exceeding \$8.1 million, would include all construction, site work, and incidental costs. Of that, \$2 million would come from the district's Capital Reserve Fund, and New York State Building Aid would cover approximately 75% (\$6.1 million) of the cost. To keep the local share stable, the district would issue \$6.1 million in bonds, which would replace retiring debt payments from a previous project.

Capital Project At-a-Glance

TOTAL PROJECT
\$8,100,000

ESTIMATED STATE AID
\$6,100,000 (75.31%)

CAPITAL RESERVE
\$2,000,000 (24.69%)

**No Additional
Tax Increase**

Vote Tuesday, May 20, 2025
12-9 p.m.

Jr./Sr. High School Gym Lobby

NOTE: All absentee and early mail ballots must be received by the district by 5 p.m. on May 20.

JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

The Junior-Senior High School would undergo critical facility upgrades to preserve its historic integrity while improving safety, efficiency and accessibility. The main entry columns would receive structural repairs to ensure their longevity. The overdue replacement of stage and attic windows with energy-efficient models would reduce energy costs. In the auditorium, updated lighting would modernize the space for both school and community events, while the restoration of a missing balcony seating section would expand access.

The building's main roof would have gutter repairs to address drainage issues and deterioration of the Yankee gutter system. Additionally, an out-of-service bathroom in the cafeteria would be replaced with ADA-compliant facilities.



Main entry columns



Current windows



Auditorium lighting equipment



Auditorium balcony

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Planned renovations at the elementary school would focus on safety and accessibility. The gymnasium's outdated bleachers, which have been unusable for years, would be replaced with a modern set featuring side rails and other enhancements.

Additionally, space would be expanded at the school-based health center. The new design would include the required wet and dry areas to ensure a safe environment. Bassett Healthcare services support student learning and participation in athletics with free well-care and some dental services.

The Maze Craze, built by volunteers in 1989, is a cherished part of Middleburgh history. Over 35 years later, modern safety requirements, including wheelchair accessibility, require us to consider the diverse needs of our students in different ways. We will gather community input and construct a new playground on the former Little League field that would meet current codes and create joyful, barrier-free experiences for every child.



Gymnasium bleachers



Health center



The Maze Craze

BUS GARAGE REPAIRS

To ensure the bus garage remains safe and efficient, several upgrades are proposed. Two bus lifts, which have already exceeded their life expectancy, would be replaced. A floor sealer would be applied to preserve the integrity of the floor. Additional drainage would be installed to prevent water intrusion, helping to protect both the structure and surrounding grounds. Conduit would be installed under the parking lot to prepare for state-mandated electric vehicle charging.



Bus garage



Bus garage parking lot



Bus garage floor

CAPITAL PROJECT TIMELINE

The capital project will be voted on May 20, 2025. If approved, architects will draft plans for New York State Education Department (SED) review before the bidding process. Once the Board of Education (BOE) awards bids, construction would begin June 2026.

