

BOARD OF EDUCATION
The School District of South Orange and Maplewood
525 Academy Street, Maplewood, NJ 07040

November 28, 2018

TO: Members, Board of Education
Members, Board of School Estimate
Dr. Thomas Ficarra, Superintendent

FROM: Paul Roth, Business Administrator

SUBJECT: Board of School Estimate Workshop Meeting on December 6, 2018

Every year school districts record enrollment as of Oct 15th and update enrollment projections. November 12, 2018 a memo was sent to the Board of School Estimate explaining an increase in kindergarten student enrollment. The capital plan discussion during the November 19, 2018 Board of Education meeting included updated enrollment projections and a change to proposed facility expansion as a result of the recent change in student enrollment. The enrollment and changes to the facility plan will be discussed during the December 6, 2018 Board of School Estimate workshop.

November 19, 2018, the South Orange & Maplewood Board of Education authorized administration and the architect to submit schematics capital projects for the submission of health and safety renovations and facility expansion for the K-5 / 6-8 / 9-12 building configuration, facility expansion for preschool, air conditioning the facilities, and reinforcing roofs for a solar system to the New Jersey Department of Education. The debt service analysis was updated based upon the recent approval of the K-5 / 6-8 / 9-12 building configuration and estimated tax impact.

Due to the size and scope of the proposed capital plan, a resolution will be presented to the Board of School Estimate. The purpose of the resolution is to be fully transparent and determine if the Board of School Estimate agrees the capital projects, in the estimated amount of \$140.4 million for the submission of health and safety renovations and facility expansion for the K-5 / 6-8 / 9-12 building configuration, is practical before incurring approximately \$75,000 in architectural fees to prepare and submit schematics to the New Jersey Department of Education.

Attached is the meeting agenda, this year's student enrollment projections, updated debt service analysis, and a copy of the resolution.