



SPECIAL VOTE

PROPOSED SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL ENHANCEMENTS INCLUDE:

- New artificial turf, multipurpose stadium used by many teams
- Additional entrance/exit road to alleviate high school traffic
- More time outdoors for physical education students
- New seating and press box for varsity soccer field
- And more!

Tuesday, December 14, 2021 • 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Transportation and Operations Center
1133 Lehigh Station Road, Henrietta



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RUSH-HENRIETTA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
2034 Lehigh Station Road
Henrietta, New York 14467



Voter Eligibility

- ★ You must be a United States citizen.
- ★ You must be at least 18 years old by December 14, 2021.
- ★ You must be a resident of the school district at least 30 days prior to the vote.
- ★ You do not have to own property in the district.



Proposition

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Rush-Henrietta Central School District be authorized to expend the sum of up to \$10,500,000 to be funded from remaining unused balances in prior capital projects and from the 2016 Capital Reserve Fund and from the 2020 Capital Reserve Fund for the construction of an artificial turf, multi-purpose stadium including lights and a press box; the construction of eight tennis courts; the construction of a small stadium and press box for the varsity soccer field; the relocation of JV softball field and Good Shepherd playground; construction of a connector road between East Henrietta Road and the west High School parking lot; repairs to the High School swimming pool; and further site remediation.

There is no additional impact to the tax rate.

★ New Senior High School Athletic Facilities, Access Road Proposed

The Rush-Henrietta Central School District will hold a special vote Tuesday, December 14. A single proposition will ask for voter approval to move forward with significant enhancements to the Senior High School campus. The \$10.5 million required for this special project already has been set aside in district reserve funds. There is no additional impact to the tax rate. **See photos of the proposed enhancements at www.rhnet.org/upgrades.**

★ Project Background

In 2018, voters overwhelmingly approved Rush-Henrietta's acquisition of the former Good Shepherd school, church, and land. The sale of this strategically located property became official the following year. The original church was sold to the town of Henrietta this year. The former Good Shepherd property is located on East Henrietta Road and runs adjacent to Rush-Henrietta Senior High School. At the time of the vote, the district envisioned a number of potential enhancements. These included additional parking for Elmer Gordon Stadium and Senior High School athletic fields, and a second entrance and exit for the high school. In March 2020, the Board of Education agreed to put these improvement projects up for voter approval. Days later, our schools closed because of the onset of the pandemic. Faced with such uncertainty, the Board of Education decided not to pursue the project at that time.

★ Moving Forward

Conditions have improved and the district is on better financial footing. This year, the Board of Education gave much thought to the timing of this project. In October, the board members expressed a desire to move forward with this exciting proposal. The proposition asks voters for authorization to move forward with plans to:

- construct an artificial turf, multi-purpose stadium, including lights, bleachers, and press box, to be located adjacent to Elmer Gordon Stadium. New seating will accommodate as many people as a football game. The new stadium and lighting offers many benefits, such as allowing us to extend the outdoor practice season.
- install eight tennis courts, a setup suitable for hosting regional tournaments.
- create new seating and a press box to accompany the varsity soccer field.
- relocate the junior varsity softball field and Good Shepherd playground.
- repair the high school swimming pool; architectural studies are underway to address long-term improvements.
- build a road connecting East Henrietta Road and the high school's west parking lot to alleviate traffic.

A vote will be held from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesday, December 14, at the Transportation and Operations Center, located at 1133 Lehigh Station Road, Henrietta. **Please note the special start time of 9 a.m.**

Should you have questions, please contact Andy Whitmore, assistant superintendent for school operations and finance. He can be reached at 359-5037 or whitmore@rhnet.org. If you would like to request an absentee ballot, contact Karen Flanigan, school district clerk, at 359-5010 or kflanigan@rhnet.org. Completed absentee ballots will be counted only if they are received by the school district clerk by 5 p.m. Tuesday, December 14, 2021.



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