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## **Christie Administration Announces Hopatcong to Receive \$53,594 Through Schools Development Authority's Regular Operating District Grant Program**

Furthering the Governor's commitment to providing the state's children with safe, modern and efficient schools, the Christie Administration today announced that the New Jersey Schools Development Authority (SDA) has executed a state grant to the Hopatcong School District through the SDA's Regular Operating District (ROD) grant program.

The details for the district grant are as follows:

Project:

Hopatcong Middle School: Unit ventilator replacement.

State share: \$53,594

Local share: \$80,391

Estimated total project cost: \$133,985

SDA Chief Executive Officer Marc Larkins, in cooperation with the Department of Education, announced the resumption of the grant program in May 2010. Since then, the SDA has executed 415 grants. The state-grant program funds at least 40 percent of eligible costs for projects in the RODs, addressing health and safety issues, student overcrowding and other critical needs.

The Department of Education selects school projects to receive grant funding from the SDA. The State has provided more than \$135 million in grants to local districts since the May 2010 announcement, leveraging projects estimated at a total of nearly \$297 million.