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Christie Administration Announces North Plainfield Borough to Receive \$724,751 Through Schools Development Authority’s Regular Operating District Grant Program

Furthering Governor Christie’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 four state grants to the North Plainfield Borough School District through the SDA’s Regular Operating District (ROD) grant program.

The four projects at four schools represent more than \$1.1 million in total estimated costs including a state grant of \$724,751 which leverages the local contribution of \$464,735.

The projects at East End Elementary School, West End Elementary School and Stony Brook Elementary School include renovations to existing restrooms to bring them in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The project at North Plainfield High School will remodel the media center including the replacement of flooring, lighting, ceiling, circulation desk, shelving and reading areas.

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 886 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 nearly \$277 million in grants to local districts since the May 2010 announcement, leveraging projects estimated at a total of nearly \$640 million. Funding for the program was made available through the sale of \$500 million in bonds by the New Jersey Economic Development Authority (EDA).

School Name	Total Project Cost Estimate	State Share	Local Share
East End E.S.	\$365,715.00	\$222,829.00	\$142,886.00
North Plainfield H.S.	\$323,698.00	\$197,229.00	\$126,469.00
Stony Brook E.S.	\$305,985.00	\$186,436.00	\$119,549.00
West End E.S.	\$194,088.00	\$118,257.00	\$75,831.00

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