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Christie Administration Announces Shore Regional to Receive \$379,600 in Grant Funding from Schools Development Authority

Trenton, NJ - Furthering the Christie Administration's commitment to providing New Jersey students with safe, modern and efficient schools, the Schools Development Authority (SDA) announced five state grants to the Shore Regional High School District through the SDA's Regular Operating District (ROD) grant program.

The projects, all at Shore Regional High School, represent \$948,999 in total estimated costs including state grants of \$379,600 which leverage the local contribution of \$569,399.

"The SDA is proud to be a partner with New Jersey schools districts throughout the State to enable important building upgrades like those that at Shore Regional High School," said SDA CEO Marc Larkins.

The grants will provide funds for 1) replacement of the PA and clock system; 2) replacement of corridor doors; 3) upgrades to the auditorium including the replacement of the flooring with new carpeting and vinyl composition tile as well as the replacement of seating with new, upholstered molded-shell chairs; 4) reconfiguration of the existing music room to accommodate large group instruction, practice room, instrument storage and ADA ramp for handicapped accessibility; and 5) replacement of the water and main water supply valve.

"The Shore Regional High School District is appreciative to have these grants to support improvements that will benefit our students," said Superintendent Thomas G. Farrell. "The grants afforded Shore Regional the opportunity to bring our facilities and our overall educational environment into the 21st century."

Since the Christie Administration announced the resumption of the ROD grant program in May 2010, the SDA has executed 909 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. Since the program's inception, Shore Regional High School District has received nearly \$497,935 in grants through the SDA's ROD grant program.

The Department of Education selects school projects to receive grant funding from the SDA. The State has provided more than \$285.3 million in grants to local districts since the May 2010 announcement, leveraging projects estimated at a total of nearly \$670.9 million.

In May 2013, Governor Christie announced that nearly a half billion dollars for additional grants would be made available for needed construction projects in Regular Operating Districts and County Vocational Schools across New Jersey. The SDA's current portfolio of active grant projects represents more than \$1.5 billion in total project costs.

School Name	Total Project Cost Estimate	State Share	Local Share
Shore Regional High School –			
Replacement of PA and clock	-		
system	\$249,040	\$99,616	\$149,424
Shore Regional High School –			
Replacement of corridor doors	\$231,929	\$92,772	\$139,157
Shore Regional High School –			
Auditorium upgrades including new			
flooring and new seating	\$226,736	\$90,694	\$136,042
Shore Regional High School –			
Reconfiguration of existing music			
room	\$216,554	\$86,622	\$129,932
Shore Regional High School –			
Replacement of water and main			
water supply valve	\$24,740	\$9,896	\$14,844