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## **Christie Administration Announces Keyport School District to Receive \$490,264 in Grant Funding from the New Jersey Schools Development Authority**

**Trenton, NJ** - Furthering the Christie Administration's commitment to support critical school improvement projects in New Jersey, the Schools Development Authority (SDA) today announced that six grants have recently been executed for the Keyport School District through the SDA's Regular Operating District (ROD) grant program. Grant execution signifies completion of the application process and the start of funding being issued to school districts through the SDA's ROD grant program.

In May 2013, Governor Christie announced the largest single grant offering in the program's history, making approximately half a billion dollars in funding available for projects throughout the state's 559 Regular Operating Districts and 21 County Vocational Technical School Districts across New Jersey. The Department of Education, who determines the selection of school projects to receive grant funds, has approved 1,598 ROD Grant projects in 333 school districts throughout the state for this allocation. Between state and local contributions, the total project costs of the 1,598 eligible projects are estimated to exceed \$1.2 billion, representing significant benefit not only to the children served by the state's public schools but also to the economy and construction industry as this important work advances.

The projects in Keyport School District represent \$1,207,570 in total estimated costs including state grants of \$490,264 which leverages the local contribution of \$717,306. The SDA has executed more than \$1.6 million in grants to the Keyport School District since program inception.

Three will provide funds to upgrade the restrooms to ADA compliance, renovate the playground and remove, replace and supplement security cameras at Central Elementary School. At Keyport High School, three grants will provide resources to replace windows throughout the school, replace the unit ventilators in eight classrooms and replace existing security cameras and install additional security cameras.

Since the start of the Christie Administration, the SDA has executed 1366 grants in 299 school districts. The state-grant program funds at least 40 percent of eligible costs for projects in the RODs, addressing health and safety issues and other critical needs.

The State of New Jersey has provided \$448.8 million (state share) in grants to local districts since January 2010, leveraging projects with total estimated costs of \$1.06 billion. The SDA's current portfolio of active grant projects represents \$1.17 billion in total project costs.

School Name	Total Project Cost Estimate	State Share	Local Share
Central Elementary School – ADA toilet room upgrades	\$354,220	\$143,801	\$210,410
Central Elementary School – Playground renovations	\$130,608	\$53,026	\$77,582
Central Elementary School – Remove, replace and supplement new cameras	\$106,553	\$43,260	\$63,293
Keyport High School – Window replacement in gym, locker rooms, boiler room, stairwell, and 8 classrooms	\$303,319	\$123,145	\$180,174
Keyport High School – Unit ventilator replacement in 8 classrooms	\$182,462	\$74,078	\$108,384
Keyport High School – Replacement of cameras and installation of additional cameras	\$130,408	\$52,945	\$77,463
<b>Keyport Total</b>	<b>\$1,207,570</b>	<b>\$490,264</b>	<b>\$717,306</b>

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