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Christie Administration Announces Hackettstown to Receive \$697,291 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 eight state grants to the Hackettstown School District through the SDA's Regular Operating District (ROD) grant program.

The details for the district grants are as follows:

Projects:

Hackettstown High School: (1) Partial exterior window replacement. (2) Replace existing roofing. (3) Replace existing ceiling in lobby area. (4) Cafeteria floor replacement.

Hackettstown Middle School: (1) Overlay the asphalt playground. (2) Gym floor replacement.

Willow Grove Elementary School: Overlay a portion of the driveways and parking area.

Hatchery Hill Elementary School: Gym floor replacement.

State share: \$697,291

Local share: \$1,045,938

Estimated total project cost: \$1,743,229

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 467 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 \$143 million in grants to local districts since the May 2010 announcement, leveraging projects estimated at a total of nearly \$315 million. Funding for the program was made available through the sale of \$500 million in bonds by the New Jersey Economic Development Authority (EDA).