

Pocantico Hills

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On May 18, residents will vote on four Pocantico Hills School District budget propositions and Board of Education candidates.

- ✓ **Proposition 1** is the 2021-22 budget. The Board of Education intends to adopt a flat budget, with no year-over-year increase.
- ✓ **Proposition 2** would authorize the district to spend \$1.5 million to replace the roof.
- ✓ **Proposition 3** would authorize the district to spend \$7.25 million for phase 1 of a long-term capital project.
- ✓ **Proposition 4** would set up a Capital Reserve Fund to set aside money for phase 2 of the capital project.



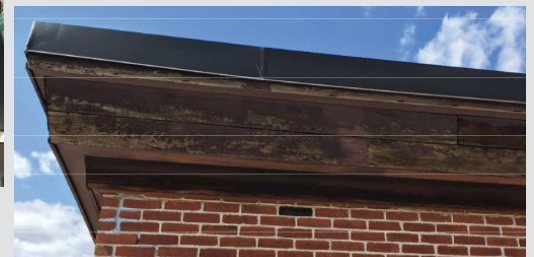
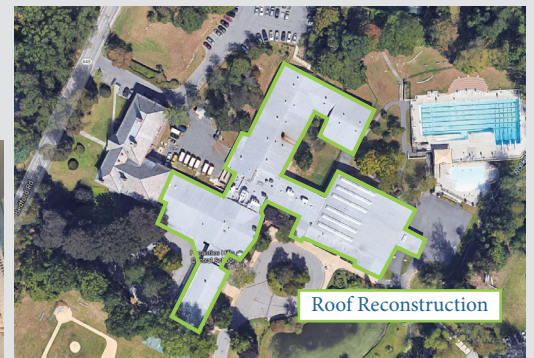
For details on the proposed roof replacement and phase 1 of the capital project, attend one of the district's Zoom sessions for the public.

- The dates and times are:*
- ▶ April 6th at 6pm
 - ▶ April 7th at 6pm (Spanish)
 - ▶ May 3rd at 6pm
 - ▶ May 4th at 6pm (Spanish)

The district will post recordings of the meetings on the website – pocanticohills.org – for those who are not able to attend, and a “live” question/answer page will be created where people can post questions and receive answers.

About Proposition 2

Proposition 2 on the ballot calls for spending \$1.5 million to replace the roof, which has sustained widespread deterioration over the years, leading to leaks and damage to classrooms and equipment.



The district has strategically saved sufficient funds to cover the cost of the work, so adoption of this proposition would not have any financial impact on property taxpayers.

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About Proposition 3

Proposition 3 calls for spending \$7.25 million for phase I of a multi-step capital project. Phase 1 encompasses the highest priority recommendations in the 2020 Building Condition Survey, which the New York State Education department requires districts to perform periodically to ensure the upkeep and integrity of school facilities.

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- A** Retention Pond Restoration: Dredge the pond to restore depth. Install a new oxygen bubbler. The school will use the pond as an instructional area for students.
- B** Play Area Upgrades: Replace pre-kindergarten playground equipment and surface area; replace South Field area play surface; install new fencing in South Field/Courtyard area.
- C** Classroom/Gym Renovations: Renovate classrooms on both floors of 1954 addition to improve ventilation, lighting, storage, accessibility, wall configuration and educational environment. Replace gym folding partition with vinyl curtain wall.
- D** Repair Roadways/Lots/Curbing: Mill and repave entrance roadway; replace asphalt and concrete curbing in east bus parking lot and north parking lot; replace asphalt in east pool parking lot.
- E** Replace Stairs/Walkways: Replace concrete stairs and walkways at pool area, north entrance of 1974 addition, front entry, tennis court walkway toward pool, west and east drop-off loops; pool area walkways; and front entry ramp.
- F** Make HVAC, Plumbing and Electrical Improvements: Improve climate control in the Maker Space room and restore proper air flow in cafeteria/kitchen.



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