**Delaware Department of Education** 

# Certificate of Necessity Application – Renovations / Replacement

## 1. Project Name: District Central Office

**Project Description**: Building envelope, interior and MEP upgrades throughout the building are required to protect the investments previously made by the state and local district in this facility. Major projects include replacing interior flooring; replacing exterior stairs and ramps; repointing exterior masonry; replacing roof and replacing HVAC equipment. The work will encompass projects not addressed when the building was converted from a school to offices in 2008. Refer to the attached assessment report for additional details. **Grade Levels Served**: N/A

# **Facility Data**

#### <u>Present:</u>

Address	82 Monrovia Avenue, Smyrna, DE 19977
Gross # square feet	16,200 s.f.
Age of building	1962
Age of additions	
Year of last renovations	2008
Enrollment	N/A
Capacity	NA

#### Proposed:

Address	same
Gross # square feet	16,200 s.f.
Estimated start time of project	2023
Estimated completion date	2026
Estimated date of occupancy	2026
Capacity	NA

#### Capital Request Funding

FISCAL YEAR	AMOUNT		
FY 20 <u>21</u>	\$		
FY 20 <u>22</u>	\$		
FY 20 <u>23</u>	\$672,385		
FY 20 <u>24</u>	\$4,148,490		

FY 20 <u>25</u>	\$2,131,334		
TOTALS:	\$6,952,209		

#### Cost Breakdown/Phase Out

	FY20 <u>21</u>	FY20 <u>22</u>	FY20 <u>23</u>	FY20 <u>24</u>	FY20 <u>25</u>	TOTAL
Construction Expenses						
Planning/Design						
Architect/Engineering			460,000	80,000	80,000	620,000
Audit Fees			10,000		10,000	20,000
Site Development Costs						
Construction Costs			129,325	3,570,954	1,657,977	5,358,256
Construction Contingency			25,000	150,000	150,000	325,000
Demolition Costs			10,000	5,000	5,000	20,000
Other (Provide Description)						
Non-Construction Expenses						
Technology						
Furniture and Equipment						
Escalation Costs			38,060	342,536	228,357	608,953
Other (Provide Description)						
TOTALS			672,385	4,148,490	2,131,334	6,952,209

## 2. Project Details:

- a. The DOE decision-making process is based on a priority legend, with the highest priorities being the following:
  - i. Capacity and future enrollment
  - ii. Project corrects facility life, health or safety issues
  - iii. Building aesthetics and programming
- b. Renovations/Additions:
  - Provide a specific description for each of the schools to be renovated and/or expanded. Specific details are contained in the attached building needs assessment. Provide details on the last time the school was renovated. Last

renovation occurred through minor capital improvements when the former school was converted to an administration building.

- ii. If needed because of overcrowding, please provide details of overcrowding issues. Which schools?
  What are the relief/redistribution plans? What are the patterns of population and student growth in the district?
- iii. Explain how these renovations and/or additions align with the priority legend. The renovations are required to address aging building systems and correct facility life, health and safety issues.
- iv. Has the school district obtained all the necessary district Board of Education approvals?  $\mathbf{x}$  Yes;  $\Box$  No
- v. Can the renovations be funded with minor cap money? 🗌 Yes; **x** No
- vi. Can the renovations or additions happen during the school year? **x** Yes; No

Please address the urgency of each project or your request in general. Building systems and infrastructure are aging and delays will increase costs and the potential for a catastrophic failure. The attached assessment report identifies project based on the immediacy of need: immediate (1-2 years), short-term (3-4 years), mid-term (5-6 years) or long-term (7-10 years).

What would happen if the CN is not approved this year? Building systems will or already exceed their expected service life creating the risk for catastrophic systems failure, increased maintenance costs, inefficient operations and an environment not conducive for working and training.

In what priority order would you classify your request(s) if not all requests were granted? A priority ranking for all projects is attached.

## 3. Request Deadline:

Complete Board approved capital requests, accompanied by all completed submission documentation must be submitted to DOE by no later than August 31<sup>st</sup> of each State fiscal year for the next year's capital budget submission to the attention of:

Education Associate, Capital Project Management Delaware Department of Education 401 Federal Street, Suite 2 Dover, DE 19901

# 4. Recommendations:

It is strongly recommended that districts notify DOE of any potential capital budget requests as early as possible in order to ensure a thorough review by DOE and to allow time for additional exchange of information, as applicable.

## 5. Attachments:

x District Board approved minutes (draft is acceptable)

**x** Building Professional (i.e. Architectural/Engineering firm) supporting documentation Office of State Planning Coordination approval letter (if applicable)