



# The SOAR Project

## Preserving our facilities and preparing for our future

Frontier Central School District is committed to fulfilling our tradition of academic excellence and equity by providing our students and community with a safe and rewarding learning environment. Over the past two years, the District and its Facilities Committee have developed a long-range planning initiative to identify current and future improvement needs and the means to responsibly achieve them.

The result is the proposed 2021 Capital Improvements Project, nicknamed the **SOAR Project**. The goal of this district-wide project is to prepare our students for a bright and successful future by preserving and enhancing one of the most important assets our community owns: our schools. The SOAR Project addresses safety and security improvements, operations systems and efficiency upgrades, academic program enhancements, and renovations at each of our schools that will serve to enrich our community and have our students soaring to new heights.

An overview of the work being proposed at each school is detailed on the next page, and additional information will continue to be added to the District's website. **We also encourage you to attend one of the Public Meetings to be held on July 13<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> where you can ask questions and learn more about the project.**

### SOAR Project Focus

To preserve our facilities and enhance our educational programs, the SOAR Project focuses on critical needs and improvements in 4 key areas:

- S** SAFETY
- O** OPERATIONS
- A** ACADEMICS
- R** RENOVATIONS

### More Information

More information is available through the following resources:

#### In Your Mailbox

An informational newsletter will be mailed to all district households.

#### Public Meetings

**WHEN:** Tue., July 13<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 p.m.  
**WHERE:** Middle School Auditorium

**WHEN:** Thu., July 15<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 p.m.  
**WHERE:** High School Auditorium

The July 13<sup>th</sup> meeting will also be recorded and a link will be posted on the District's website.

#### Online

Meeting and project details will be posted regularly on the District's website and social media outlets:

[www.frontiercsd.org](http://www.frontiercsd.org)

[@FrontierCSD.org](https://www.facebook.com/FrontierCSD.org)

[@FrontierCSD](https://twitter.com/FrontierCSD)

## Project Funding

The district-wide improvements included in the proposed SOAR Project would cost a total of \$70,116,550. The majority of the project's cost would be funded by a combination of available State Building Aid and the District's capital reserves, both of which are specifically designated for use on capital projects. The remaining "local share" would be financed through the local tax levy.

**Due to careful project planning, financial implementation, and consideration of our taxpayers, this project would result in NO MARGINAL TAX INCREASE until the 2024-25 school year.**

### Annual Marginal Tax Increase

Town/School Year	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	Total
Hamburg				\$92.38	\$22.61	\$9.73	\$124.72
Eden		\$0		\$77.63	\$18.98	\$8.17	\$104.78

*Amounts above are based on \$100,000 assessed/equalized home value*

### One Polling Site For All Frontier Central Schools

Hamburg Senior Community Center Gymnasium  
4540 Southwestern Blvd., Hamburg



## CAPITAL PROJECT VOTE

**Polls will open on Tuesday, July 20, 2021 from 7:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.**

All residents are asked to show one current proof of residency, which may include a driver's license, a nondriver identification card, a utility bill, or a voter registration card. In addition, all individuals voting will be required to provide his/her signature, printed name, and address.

# SOAR Project Scope Highlights

S

SAFETY

O

OPERATIONS

A

ACADEMICS

R

RENOVATIONS

## Pinehurst Elementary

- New secured entry
- Emergency blue light notification system
- New playground
- Classroom renovations (e.g., asbestos abatement, flooring, ceilings, lights, cabinetry, white boards & tack boards, painting)
- Renovate boy's & girl's toilet rooms

## Big Tree Elementary

- Emergency blue light notification system
- New playground
- Miscellaneous asbestos abatement
- Exterior digital LED sign
- Kitchen serving lines

## Blasdell Elementary

- Emergency blue light notification system
- New playground
- Miscellaneous asbestos abatement
- New bus loop at front of building (to exit at Madison Ave. signal)
- Kitchen serving lines

## Cloverbank Elementary

- Emergency blue light notification system
- Expand playground & add rubberized play surface
- Kitchen serving lines
- Miscellaneous asbestos abatement

## Elementary School Playgrounds:

### Safety improvements and imaginative themes

The SOAR Project includes playground renovations at all four of our elementary schools. These improvements would optimize student safety with age-appropriate playground equipment and safe surfaces, built around imaginative themes, such as these potential ideas:



Farm Theme



First Responders Theme



Space Theme



Adventure Theme

## Middle School

- New secured entry
- Emergency blue light notification system
- Replace three boilers
- Convert technology & team rooms to a STEAM suite
- Convert pool to PE (physical education) station
- Renovate auxiliary gymnasium
- Renovate gymnasium locker rooms
- Kitchen/cafeteria renovations
- Replace roof at technology wing, auditorium, gym, locker room & pool

## High School

- New secured entry
- Emergency blue light notification system
- Renovation to main office
- STEAM suite
- Gymnasium renovations
- Baseball field renovations (inc. synthetic turf field)
- New synthetic turf multi-purpose field
- Pool renovations
- Auditorium lobby renovations 1st & 2nd floor
- Kitchen & cafeteria renovations
- Replace roof at language studies wing

## Physical Education & Athletic Programs: All-weather surfaces for multiple sports and year-round use

The SOAR Project includes upgrades to the baseball field, including a new synthetic turf field with improved drainage, and a new synthetic turf multi-purpose athletic field that can stand up to frequent, repeated use for physical education, softball, soccer, and lacrosse.

## STEAM Academic Programs: Classroom improvements to support Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts & Math Programs

The SOAR Project includes classroom renovations at the Middle and High Schools to provide our students with enhanced, modernized learning spaces for core academic programs.

