

# Massachusetts School Building Authority

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Ms. Carol Woodbury, Superintendent  
Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School District  
296 Station Avenue  
South Yarmouth, MA 02664

Re: Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School District, Mattacheese Middle School

Dear Superintendent Woodbury:

I am pleased to report that the Board of the Massachusetts School Building Authority (the "MSBA") has voted to invite the Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School District (the "District") to partner with the MSBA in conducting a Feasibility Study for the Mattacheese Middle School. The Board's vote follows the District's timely completion of all of the requirements of the MSBA's Eligibility Period.

I do want to emphasize that this invitation to partner on a Feasibility Study is *not* approval of a project, but is strictly an invitation to the District to work with the MSBA to explore potential solutions to the problems that have been identified. Moving forward in the MSBA's process requires collaboration with the MSBA, and communities that "get ahead" of the MSBA without MSBA approval will not be eligible for grant funding. To qualify for any funding from the MSBA, local communities must follow the MSBA's statute, regulations, and policies which require MSBA collaboration and approval at each step of the process.

During the Feasibility Study phase, the District and the MSBA will partner pursuant to the terms of the Feasibility Study Agreement to find the most fiscally responsible and educationally appropriate solution to the problems identified at the Mattacheese Middle School. The Feasibility Study, which will be conducted pursuant to the MSBA's regulations and policies, requires the District to work with the MSBA on the procurement of an Owner's Project Manager and Designer, which will help bring the District's Feasibility Study to fruition.

We will be contacting you soon to discuss these next steps in more detail. In the meantime, however, I wanted to share with you the Board's decision and provide a brief overview of what this means for the Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School District.



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I look forward to continuing to work with you as part of the MSBA's grant program. As always, feel free to contact me or my staff at (617) 720-4466 should you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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Executive Director

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