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Original: September 1, 2022

Update: October 18, 2022

Dr. Tracy Handerhan, Superintendent
Wall Township Public School District
1620 18th Avenue
Wall, New Jersey 07719

RE: PRELIMINARY ELIGIBLE COST: (PEC) DETERMINATION OF A SCHOOL FACILITIES PROJECT FOR A DISTRICT NOT REQUIRED TO USE THE AUTHORITY TO UNDERTAKE THE PROJECT, PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-5 AND DETERMINATION OF PRELIMINARY ELIGIBLE COSTS PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-7.

THIS PROJECT DOES NOT IMPACT EDUCATIONAL ADEQUACY AND IS NOT SUBJECT TO DOE FINAL EDUCATIONAL ADEQUACY REVIEW.

**State Project No. 25-5420-050-22-3000: SOW at Athletic Fields: Track, Artificial Turf, Lighting, etc.
Wall High School
Wall Township Public School District
MONMOUTH COUNTY**

**Source of any EFCFA Funding: Debt Service Aid (December 2022 Referendum)
Source of any Local Funding: Long Term Debt (December 2022 Referendum)**

Dear Dr. Handerhan:

Your district has submitted an application for a school facilities project pursuant to Section 5 of the Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act, P.L. 2000, c. 72 (EFCFA or Act) and the New Jersey Department of Education implementing regulations at N.J.A.C. 6A:26-1 et seq. (Regulations). This project application has been deemed complete by the New Jersey Department of Education Office of School Facilities Projects (Department), has been reviewed under the Act and the Regulations, and, as a result, the Department now makes the following determinations regarding the above referenced project.

I. DEPARTMENT DETERMINATIONS:

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3. This school facilities project meets the educational adequacy requirements, if applicable.

4. This school facilities project, which is not subject to educational adequacy requirements, meets the schematic plans requirements, if applicable.
5. This school facilities project is consistent with the District's applicable approved programmatic model contained in the District's approved LRFP, if any, or with the facilities efficiency standard (FES) and the area allowances per FTE student, and does not exceed the model or the FES, as applicable, except for spaces for which the District is not seeking State support, as applicable.
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II. DESCRIPTION OF THE APPROVED PROJECT:

The approved school facilities project consists of the following components (**any ineligible scopes of work are noted in bold below, including their associated ineligible costs**):

- **Renovation to athletic fields:**
 - **Renovate football field (regrade and install artificial turf),**
 - **Replace existing field lighting with steel post, LED sports lighting (including wiring, electrical upgrades and controls),**
 - **Refinish track surface,**
- **(Total Ineligible Cost = \$7,153,939.00).**

New Construction: (NA)

New Building GSF:	---
Addition GSF:	---
Total Eligible GSF:	---
Total Ineligible GSF:	---
Other Eligible GSF for Educational Adequacy:	---
Total GSF:	---

Rehabilitation:

Total Eligible GSF:	0
Total Ineligible GSF:	<u>200,000</u>
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III. PRELIMINARY ELIGIBLE COSTS (PEC) FOR THE APPROVED PROJECT:

The District's aid percentage as defined in section 3 of the Act, N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-3 is as noted in table below, and State share will be driven by that percentage (calculated differently for Debt Service Aid than for Grant Projects), and State share will not be less than 40% at final eligible costs.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-7 the following is the PEC for the approved school facilities project:

PEC Calculations:

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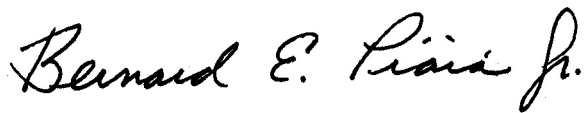
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Sincerely,



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At the : Office of School Facilities Projects
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DISTRICT: _____
COUNTY: _____
PROJECT NUMBER: _____

Dear Mr. Piaia:

Pursuant to the New Jersey Department of Education (Department) letter approving the above-referenced school facilities project and the determining preliminary eligible costs (PEC), the District elects the following options and determinations on the construction and funding of such project. As requested, please find enclosed the board resolution signed and sealed authorizing the District to the following:

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- District accepted and agreed to locally fund any excess (space) costs
- District revised its school facilities project and resubmitted it for Department review
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- Not applicable

If the District accepted and agreed to locally fund any ineligible (excess space) costs as indicated on this form, the Department will be better able to expedite the determination of final eligible cost (FEC) for the school facilities project. If the District selected any of the other options, and the Department accepted the revision or agreed to the request, this change was reflected in the school facilities project determination letter. If the Department did not accept the revision or agree to the request, the school facilities project determination does not reflect such change.

B. If District elects to construct its school facilities project, select State funding support:

_____ Debt Service Aid N.A. Grant,

C. District determination on FEC (see comments below):

_____ Accepts PEC (will not appeal PEC) or, _____ Defers decision on PEC, and,

D. District is proposing a: (Mo/Day/Yr) _____, 20____ Referendum.

Should the District indicate its acceptance of the PEC as FEC, the Department will be better able to expedite an FEC determination for the school facilities project. The District understands that if it defers the decision on PEC, thereby retaining the right to either accept or appeal PEC, the District may within 30 days of the preparation of detailed plans and specifications by a design professional appeal to the Commissioner of the Department for an increase in those costs if such plans indicate that the cost of constructing that portion of the school facilities project approved for State support exceeds the PEC as determined by the Commissioner by 10 % or more. In the case of a county special services school district or a county vocational school district, a decision other than acceptance of the PEC as FEC will require approval by the board of chosen freeholders.

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District Superintendent Signature

Date

Enclosure required (See Section IV of main letter, above, “Action to be taken”):

- Board resolution accepting PEC as FEC, or,**
- Board of Chosen Freeholders resolution



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**State Project No. 25-5420-050-22-4000: Lighting, HVAC, Roofs, Toilet Rooms
Wall High School
Wall Township Public School District
MONMOUTH COUNTY**

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- Renovations to include roofing replacement, toilet room upgrades, lighting, mechanical and electrical upgrades.

New Construction: (NA)

New Building GSF:	---
Addition GSF:	---
Total Eligible GSF:	---
Total Ineligible GSF:	---
Other Eligible GSF for Educational Adequacy:	---
Total GSF:	---

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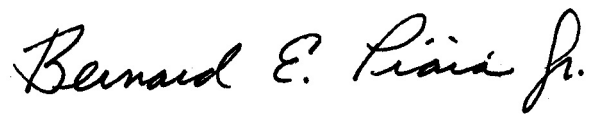
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September 1, 2022

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1620 18th Avenue
Wall, New Jersey 07719

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THIS PROJECT DOES NOT IMPACT EDUCATIONAL ADEQUACY AND IS NOT SUBJECT TO DOE FINAL EDUCATIONAL ADEQUACY REVIEW.

**State Project No. 25-5420-050-22-5000: HVAC and Electrical Work
Wall High School
Wall Township Public School District
MONMOUTH COUNTY**

**Source of any EFCFA Funding: Debt Service Aid (December 2022 Referendum)
Source of any Local Funding: Long Term Debt (December 2022 Referendum)**

Dear Dr. Handerhan:

Your district has submitted an application for a school facilities project pursuant to Section 5 of the Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act, P.L. 2000, c. 72 (EFCFA or Act) and the New Jersey Department of Education implementing regulations at N.J.A.C. 6A:26-1 et seq. (Regulations). This project application has been deemed complete by the New Jersey Department of Education Office of School Facilities Projects (Department), has been reviewed under the Act and the Regulations, and, as a result, the Department now makes the following determinations regarding the above referenced project.

I. DEPARTMENT DETERMINATIONS:

1. This school facilities project qualifies as a school facilities project eligible for State support under the Act, or ineligible costs have been noted.
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- HVAC and electrical upgrades.

New Construction: (NA)

New Building GSF:	---
Addition GSF:	---
Total Eligible GSF:	---
Total Ineligible GSF:	---
Other Eligible GSF for Educational Adequacy:	---
Total GSF:	---

Rehabilitation:

Total Eligible GSF:	150,000
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Total GSF:	150,000

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Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-7 the following is the PEC for the approved school facilities project:

PEC Calculations:

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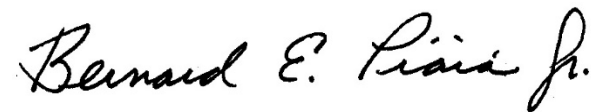
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Sincerely,

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Bernard E. Piaia, Jr., Director
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(Approved e-Plans at time of Final Eligible Cost Approval)

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COPY OF THIS FORM to assist department to establish this project’s FEC:**

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Should the District indicate its acceptance of the PEC as FEC, the Department will be better able to expedite an FEC determination for the school facilities project. The District understands that if it defers the decision on PEC, thereby retaining the right to either accept or appeal PEC, the District may within 30 days of the preparation of detailed plans and specifications by a design professional appeal to the Commissioner of the Department for an increase in those costs if such plans indicate that the cost of constructing that portion of the school facilities project approved for State support exceeds the PEC as determined by the Commissioner by 10 % or more. In the case of a county special services school district or a county vocational school district, a decision other than acceptance of the PEC as FEC will require approval by the board of chosen freeholders.

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**State Project No. 25-5420-050-23-1000: Art Room Rehabilitation Work
Wall High School
Wall Township Public School District
MONMOUTH COUNTY**

**Source of any EFCFA Funding: Debt Service Aid (December 2022 Referendum)
Source of any Local Funding: Long Term Debt (December 2022 Referendum)**

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The approved school facilities project consists of the following components (**any ineligible scopes of work are noted in bold below, including their associated ineligible costs**):

- Art Classroom Alterations.

New Construction: (NA)

New Building GSF:	---
Addition GSF:	---
Total Eligible GSF:	---
Total Ineligible GSF:	---
Other Eligible GSF for Educational Adequacy:	---
Total GSF:	---

Rehabilitation:

Total Eligible GSF:	1,800
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PEC Calculations:

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**Rehabilitation						\$ 819,000.00
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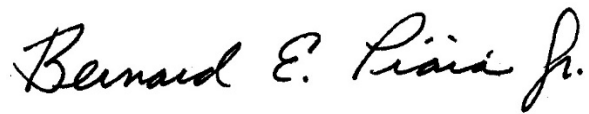
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District Superintendent Signature

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Enclosure required (See Section IV of main letter, above, “Action to be taken”):

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October 18, 2022

Dr. Tracy Handerhan, Superintendent
Wall Township Public School District
1620 18th Avenue
Wall, New Jersey 07719

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THIS PROJECT DOES IMPACT EDUCATIONAL ADEQUACY AND IS SUBJECT TO DOE FINAL EDUCATIONAL ADEQUACY REVIEW.

**State Project No. 25-5420-050-23-2000: Graphics and Digital Art Room Rehabilitation Work
Wall High School
Wall Township Public School District
MONMOUTH COUNTY**

**Source of any EFCFA Funding: Debt Service Aid (December 2022 Referendum)
Source of any Local Funding: Long Term Debt (December 2022 Referendum)**

Dear Dr. Handerhan:

Your district has submitted an application for a school facilities project pursuant to Section 5 of the Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act, P.L. 2000, c. 72 (EFCFA or Act) and the New Jersey Department of Education implementing regulations at N.J.A.C. 6A:26-1 et seq. (Regulations). This project application has been deemed complete by the New Jersey Department of Education Office of School Facilities Projects (Department), has been reviewed under the Act and the Regulations, and, as a result, the Department now makes the following determinations regarding the above referenced project.

I. DEPARTMENT DETERMINATIONS:

1. This school facilities project qualifies as a school facilities project eligible for State support under the Act, or ineligible costs have been noted.
2. This school facilities project is consistent with the District's approved long-range facilities plan (LRFP) as approved or as amended as of September 26, 2021.
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 5. This school facilities project is consistent with the District's applicable approved programmatic model contained in the District's approved LRFP, if any, or with the facilities efficiency standard (FES) and the area allowances per FTE student, and does not exceed the model or the FES, as applicable, except for spaces for which the District is not seeking State support, as applicable.
 6. This school facilities project, if in whole or in part is inconsistent with the FES or the applicable approved programmatic model, has been granted a waiver for having demonstrated that the inconsistency will not adversely affect the educational adequacy of the school facility.
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- Graphics and Digital Art Classroom Alterations.

New Construction: (NA)

New Building GSF:	---
Addition GSF:	---
Total Eligible GSF:	---
Total Ineligible GSF:	---
Other Eligible GSF for Educational Adequacy:	---
Total GSF:	---

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Total Eligible GSF:	2,500
Total Ineligible GSF:	<u>0</u>
Total GSF:	2,500

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Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-7 the following is the PEC for the approved school facilities project:

PEC Calculations:

Preliminary Eligible Cost Calculations for SP#:					5420-050-23-2000	Wall High School
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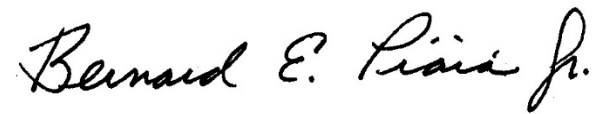
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PROJECT NUMBER: _____

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- Not applicable

If the District accepted and agreed to locally fund any ineligible (excess space) costs as indicated on this form, the Department will be better able to expedite the determination of final eligible cost (FEC) for the school facilities project. If the District selected any of the other options, and the Department accepted the revision or agreed to the request, this change was reflected in the school facilities project determination letter. If the Department did not accept the revision or agree to the request, the school facilities project determination does not reflect such change.

B. If District elects to construct its school facilities project, select State funding support:
_____ Debt Service Aid _____ N.A. Grant,

C. District determination on FEC (see comments below):
_____ Accepts PEC (will not appeal PEC) or, _____ Defers decision on PEC, and,

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THIS PROJECT DOES NOT IMPACT EDUCATIONAL ADEQUACY AND IS NOT SUBJECT TO DOE FINAL EDUCATIONAL ADEQUACY REVIEW.

**State Project No. 25-5420-060-22-3000: Site Work
Allenwood Elementary School
Wall Township Public School District
MONMOUTH COUNTY**

**Source of any EFCFA Funding: Debt Service Aid (December 2022 Referendum)
Source of any Local Funding: Long Term Debt (December 2022 Referendum)**

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II. DESCRIPTION OF THE APPROVED PROJECT:

The approved school facilities project consists of the following components (**any ineligible scopes of work are noted in bold below, including their associated ineligible costs**):

- All Site Work: Replace Exterior Building Access stairs with Accessible ramps and Railings, **New parking Area, and Lot Lighting Improvements (\$455,340.00)**.

New Construction: (NA)

New Building GSF:	---
Addition GSF:	---
Total Eligible GSF:	---
Total Ineligible GSF:	---
Other Eligible GSF for Educational Adequacy:	---
Total GSF:	---

Rehabilitation:

Total Eligible GSF:	10,350
Total Ineligible GSF:	<u>0</u>
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III. PRELIMINARY ELIGIBLE COSTS (PEC) FOR THE APPROVED PROJECT:

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Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-7 the following is the PEC for the approved school facilities project:

PEC Calculations:

Preliminary Eligible Cost Calculations for SP#:				5420-060-22-3000	Allenwood ES	
	Functional Capacity (FC)	Projected Enrollment (PE)	Unhoused Students (UH)	Area Allowance / FTE Student (AA)	****Maximum or Actual Gross Square Footage (GSF)	Preliminary Eligible Cost (PEC)
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					Actual: 0	\$ -
Other Eligible Costs for Educational Adequacy (Based on \$143/SF)						\$ -
**Rehabilitation						\$ 234,839.00
TOTAL PEC						\$ 234,839.00
Ineligible Excess Costs (Based on \$143/SF)						\$ -
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TOTAL Ineligible Excess Costs						\$ 455,340.00
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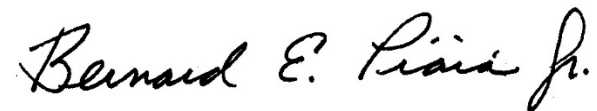
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September 1, 2022

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**State Project No. 25-5420-060-22-4000: Roof, Toilet Rooms, HVAC, Electric Work
Allenwood Elementary School
Wall Township Public School District
MONMOUTH COUNTY**

**Source of any EFCFA Funding: Debt Service Aid (December 2022 Referendum)
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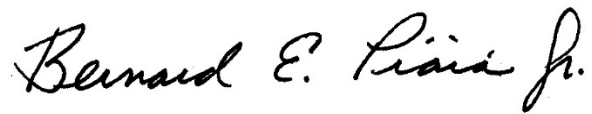
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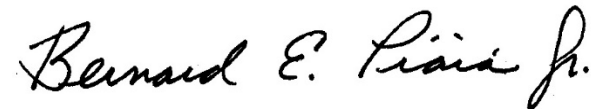
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C. District determination on FEC (see comments below):
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Should the District indicate its acceptance of the PEC as FEC, the Department will be better able to expedite an FEC determination for the school facilities project. The District understands that if it defers the decision on PEC, thereby retaining the right to either accept or appeal PEC, the District may within 30 days of the preparation of detailed plans and specifications by a design professional appeal to the Commissioner of the Department for an increase in those costs if such plans indicate that the cost of constructing that portion of the school facilities project approved for State support exceeds the PEC as determined by the Commissioner by 10 % or more. In the case of a county special services school district or a county vocational school district, a decision other than acceptance of the PEC as FEC will require approval by the board of chosen freeholders.

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September 1, 2022

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THIS PROJECT DOES NOT IMPACT EDUCATIONAL ADEQUACY AND IS NOT SUBJECT TO DOE FINAL EDUCATIONAL ADEQUACY REVIEW.

**State Project No. 25-5420-075-22-3000: Window Replacements
Wall Intermediate School
Wall Township Public School District
MONMOUTH COUNTY**

**Source of any EFCFA Funding: Debt Service Aid (December 2022 Referendum)
Source of any Local Funding: Long Term Debt (December 2022 Referendum)**

Dear Dr. Handerhan:

Your district has submitted an application for a school facilities project pursuant to Section 5 of the Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act, P.L. 2000, c. 72 (EFCFA or Act) and the New Jersey Department of Education implementing regulations at N.J.A.C. 6A:26-1 et seq. (Regulations). This project application has been deemed complete by the New Jersey Department of Education Office of School Facilities Projects (Department), has been reviewed under the Act and the Regulations, and, as a result, the Department now makes the following determinations regarding the above referenced project.

I. DEPARTMENT DETERMINATIONS:

1. This school facilities project qualifies as a school facilities project eligible for State support under the Act, or ineligible costs have been noted.
2. This school facilities project is consistent with the District's approved long-range facilities plan (LRFP) as approved or as amended as of September 26, 2021.
3. This school facilities project meets the educational adequacy requirements, if applicable.

4. This school facilities project, which is not subject to educational adequacy requirements, meets the schematic plans requirements, if applicable.
 5. This school facilities project is consistent with the District's applicable approved programmatic model contained in the District's approved LRFP, if any, or with the facilities efficiency standard (FES) and the area allowances per FTE student, and does not exceed the model or the FES, as applicable, except for spaces for which the District is not seeking State support, as applicable.
 6. This school facilities project, if in whole or in part is inconsistent with the FES or the applicable approved programmatic model, has been granted a waiver for having demonstrated that the inconsistency will not adversely affect the educational adequacy of the school facility.
 7. This school facilities project or a portion of this project, if it qualifies for State support as new construction, it is because it is needed for unhoused students or for another educational adequacy purpose.
 8. This school facilities project or a portion of this project if it qualifies for State support as rehabilitation, it is because it is required to keep the school facilities functional for its original purposes or for new purposes but does not increase the gross square footage of the school facility and does not include any routine maintenance or required maintenance but may include capital maintenance.
 9. This school facilities project is not ranked as to priority. The work is for a(n): **Other Facility**.
- 10. This school facilities project may be subject to the environmental assessment or environmental impact statement requirements of Executive Order 215.**
11. If this school facilities project is a new school, it therefore must incorporate the guidelines developed by the United States Green Building Council known as “Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design (LEED), Version 2” or appropriate update.
 12. This school facilities project has not been determined to be an Emergent Project by the Department in concert with the Executive County Superintendent.

II. DESCRIPTION OF THE APPROVED PROJECT:

The approved school facilities project consists of the following components (**any ineligible scopes of work are noted in bold below, including their associated ineligible costs**):

- Window Replacements.

New Construction: (NA)

New Building GSF:	---
Addition GSF:	---
Total Eligible GSF:	---
Total Ineligible GSF:	---
Other Eligible GSF for Educational Adequacy:	---
Total GSF:	---

Rehabilitation:

Total Eligible GSF:	6000
Total Ineligible GSF:	<u>0</u>
Total GSF:	6000

III. PRELIMINARY ELIGIBLE COSTS (PEC) FOR THE APPROVED PROJECT:

The District's aid percentage as defined in section 3 of the Act, N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-3 is as noted in table below, and State share will be driven by that percentage (calculated differently for Debt Service Aid than for Grant Projects), and State share will not be less than 40% at final eligible costs.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-7 the following is the PEC for the approved school facilities project:

PEC Calculations:

Preliminary Eligible Cost Calculations for SP#:				5420-075-22-3000	Wall Intermediate Sch	
	Functional Capacity (FC)	Projected Enrollment (PE)	Unhoused Students (UH)	Area Allowance / FTE Student (AA)	****Maximum or Actual Gross Square Footage (GSF)	Preliminary Eligible Cost (PEC)
*New Construction	0	0	0	0.00	Max: 0	\$ -
					Actual: 0	\$ -
Other Eligible Costs for Educational Adequacy (Based on \$143/SF)						\$ -
**Rehabilitation						\$ 1,560,000.00
TOTAL PEC						\$ 1,560,000.00
Ineligible Excess Costs (Based on \$143/SF)						\$ -
Ineligible Excess Costs (Based on estimated actual cost for rehabilitation)						\$ -
TOTAL Ineligible Excess Costs						\$ -
Total Project Cost						\$ 1,560,000.00
<i>*New construction costs are calculated using \$143.00 per square foot times the GSF.</i>						
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FY 22 DAP = 0.0000% or 40% whichever is greater. 40.0000%						
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PEC Table Notes:

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IV. ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN:

A. Introduction: If a district constructs the school facilities project, the district will receive State support in the form State debt service aid (pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-9). The district also has options on whether to accept or appeal the Department's determinations of space eligible for State support and PEC. Further, the district will need to take certain actions depending on whether the project is subject to educational adequacy requirements. Please note that the above review is limited to the spaces in the approved programmatic model for the above-referenced school facilities project.

B. District elected options: Thirty (30) days from the date of this PEC letter, the Department will issue a FEC letter with “debt service” as the State funding source. If the District does not agree with these elections, they must notify the Department prior to this action. **If no letter is issued in that time period, the PEC becomes the FEC.**

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C. Educational adequacy and Uniform Construction Code review.

If the other capital project does not require final educational adequacy review, the district is not required to make a final educational adequacy submission to the Department or pay the Department final educational adequacy review fees. **The district may advance the project, including review for Uniform Construction Code (UCC) compliance as required to the local municipal code enforcing agency.** If the local code enforcement agency declines to perform the plan review or is not classified at the appropriate level for the project in question, then the project may go to an appropriately classified local code enforcement agency or to the Department of Community Affairs. Because of added security requirements, plans and specifications for the construction of new schools will continue to be reviewed by the Department of Community Affairs.

If the school facilities project requires final educational adequacy approval, the district needs to apply to the Department for such approval or a portion of such approval and submit the total review fees in the amount as determined under N.J.A.C. 6A:26-5.5, as per the FEC, to the Department prior to proceeding with review of its construction documents for UCC conformance.

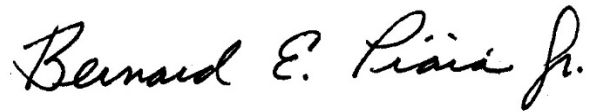
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D. Executive Order 215. School facilities projects meeting certain State assistance percentage (at least 20% of total project costs) and cost thresholds (total construction costs in excess of \$1 million) and not otherwise exempted (exemptions include rehabilitation and new construction not increasing the building’s capacity by more than 25 percent) are required to comply with E.O. 215, including the preparation and submission of an environmental assessment or an environmental impact statement as applicable, prior to site preparation and/or construction activity.

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Please contact us with any questions you may have regarding this matter by email to the reviewer at Jeanne.Dunn@doe.nj.gov or by email to me at Bernie.Piaia@doe.nj.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bernard E. Piaia Jr." in a cursive script.

Bernard E. Piaia, Jr., Director
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District Superintendent Signature

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THIS PROJECT DOES NOT IMPACT EDUCATIONAL ADEQUACY AND IS NOT SUBJECT TO DOE FINAL EDUCATIONAL ADEQUACY REVIEW.

**State Project No. 25-5420-075-22-4000: Roof Replacement, Mechanical and Electrical Work
Wall Intermediate School
Wall Township Public School District
MONMOUTH COUNTY**

**Source of any EFCFA Funding: Debt Service Aid (December 2022 Referendum)
Source of any Local Funding: Long Term Debt (December 2022 Referendum)**

Dear Dr. Handerhan:

Your district has submitted an application for a school facilities project pursuant to Section 5 of the Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act, P.L. 2000, c. 72 (EFCFA or Act) and the New Jersey Department of Education implementing regulations at N.J.A.C. 6A:26-1 et seq. (Regulations). This project application has been deemed complete by the New Jersey Department of Education Office of School Facilities Projects (Department), has been reviewed under the Act and the Regulations, and, as a result, the Department now makes the following determinations regarding the above referenced project.

I. DEPARTMENT DETERMINATIONS:

1. This school facilities project qualifies as a school facilities project eligible for State support under the Act, or ineligible costs have been noted.
2. This school facilities project is consistent with the District's approved long-range facilities plan (LRFP) as approved or as amended as of September 26, 2021.
3. This school facilities project meets the educational adequacy requirements, if applicable.

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5. This school facilities project is consistent with the District's applicable approved programmatic model contained in the District's approved LRFP, if any, or with the facilities efficiency standard (FES) and the area allowances per FTE student, and does not exceed the model or the FES, as applicable, except for spaces for which the District is not seeking State support, as applicable.
6. This school facilities project, if in whole or in part is inconsistent with the FES or the applicable approved programmatic model, has been granted a waiver for having demonstrated that the inconsistency will not adversely affect the educational adequacy of the school facility.
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- Roof Replacement, Mechanical and Electrical Work,
- Associated work as required.

New Construction: (NA)

New Building GSF:	---
Addition GSF:	---
Total Eligible GSF:	---
Total Ineligible GSF:	---
Other Eligible GSF for Educational Adequacy:	---
Total GSF:	---

Rehabilitation:

Total Eligible GSF:	40,000
Total Ineligible GSF:	0
Total GSF:	40,000

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Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-7 the following is the PEC for the approved school facilities project:

PEC Calculations:

Preliminary Eligible Cost Calculations for SP#:					5420-075-22-4000	Wall Intermediate Sch
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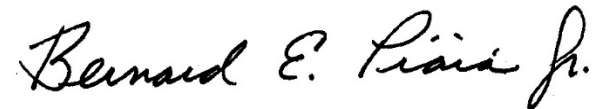
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DISTRICT MUST FILL OUT, make PDF, then EMAIL BACK to both recipients noted below A COPY OF THIS FORM to assist department to establish this project’s FEC:

THIS IS ATTACHMENT “A”

EMAIL TO: bernie.piaia@doe.nj.gov , then jeanne.dunn@doe.nj.gov

At the : Office of School Facilities Projects
NJ Department of Education
PO Box 500
Trenton, NJ 08625-0500

RE: ESTABLISHMENT OF FEC FOR DEBT SERVICE AID REQUEST

RESPONDING TO LETTER “PRELIMINARY ELIGIBLE COST: DETERMINATION OF A SCHOOL FACILITIES PROJECT FOR A DISTRICT NOT REQUIRED TO USE THE AUTHORITY TO UNDERTAKE THE PROJECT, PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-5 AND DETERMINATION OF PRELIMINARY ELIGIBLE COSTS PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-7”

DISTRICT: _____
COUNTY: _____
PROJECT NUMBER: _____

Dear Mr. Piaia:

Pursuant to the New Jersey Department of Education (Department) letter approving the above-referenced school facilities project and the determining preliminary eligible costs (PEC), the District elects the following options and determinations on the construction and funding of such project. As requested, please find enclosed the board resolution signed and sealed authorizing the District to the following:

A. District decision on Department determination on spaces inconsistent with the facilities efficiency standards or the applicable programmatic model in the district's approved Long-range facilities plan (check only one):

- ___ District accepted and agreed to locally fund any excess (space) costs
- ___ District revised its school facilities project and resubmitted it for Department review
- ___ District requested additional space eligible for State support
- ___ Not applicable

If the District accepted and agreed to locally fund any ineligible (excess space) costs as indicated on this form, the Department will be better able to expedite the determination of final eligible cost (FEC) for the school facilities project. If the District selected any of the other options, and the Department accepted the revision or agreed to the request, this change was reflected in the school facilities project determination letter. If the Department did not accept the revision or agree to the request, the school facilities project determination does not reflect such change.

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Dr. Tracy Handerhan, Superintendent
Wall Township Public School District
1620 18th Avenue
Wall, New Jersey 07719

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THIS PROJECT DOES IMPACT EDUCATIONAL ADEQUACY AND IS SUBJECT TO DOE FINAL EDUCATIONAL ADEQUACY REVIEW.

**State Project No. 25-5420-075-23-1000: Classroom etc. Rehabilitation Work
Wall Intermediate School
Wall Township Public School District
MONMOUTH COUNTY**

**Source of any EFCFA Funding: Debt Service Aid (December 2022 Referendum)
Source of any Local Funding: Long Term Debt (December 2022 Referendum)**

Dear Dr. Handerhan:

Your district has submitted an application for a school facilities project pursuant to Section 5 of the Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act, P.L. 2000, c. 72 (EFCFA or Act) and the New Jersey Department of Education implementing regulations at N.J.A.C. 6A:26-1 et seq. (Regulations). This project application has been deemed complete by the New Jersey Department of Education Office of School Facilities Projects (Department), has been reviewed under the Act and the Regulations, and, as a result, the Department now makes the following determinations regarding the above referenced project.

I. DEPARTMENT DETERMINATIONS:

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II. DESCRIPTION OF THE APPROVED PROJECT:

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- Upgrade classrooms, office upgrades, and alterations locker rooms for ADA accessibility.

New Construction: (NA)

New Building GSF:	---
Addition GSF:	---
Total Eligible GSF:	---
Total Ineligible GSF:	---
Other Eligible GSF for Educational Adequacy:	---
Total GSF:	---

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Total Eligible GSF:	14,100
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Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-7 the following is the PEC for the approved school facilities project:

PEC Calculations:

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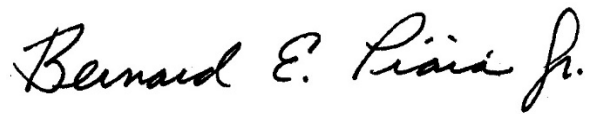
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DISTRICT MUST FILL OUT, make PDF, then EMAIL BACK to both recipients noted below A COPY OF THIS FORM to assist department to establish this project's FEC:

THIS IS ATTACHMENT "A"

EMAIL TO: bernie.piaia@doe.nj.gov , then jeanne.dunn@doe.nj.gov

At the : Office of School Facilities Projects
NJ Department of Education
PO Box 500
Trenton, NJ 08625-0500

RE: ESTABLISHMENT OF FEC FOR DEBT SERVICE AID REQUEST

RESPONDING TO LETTER "PRELIMINARY ELIGIBLE COST: DETERMINATION OF A SCHOOL FACILITIES PROJECT FOR A DISTRICT NOT REQUIRED TO USE THE AUTHORITY TO UNDERTAKE THE PROJECT, PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-5 AND DETERMINATION OF PRELIMINARY ELIGIBLE COSTS PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-7"

DISTRICT: _____
COUNTY: _____
PROJECT NUMBER: _____

Dear Mr. Piaia:

Pursuant to the New Jersey Department of Education (Department) letter approving the above-referenced school facilities project and the determining preliminary eligible costs (PEC), the District elects the following options and determinations on the construction and funding of such project. As requested, please find enclosed the board resolution signed and sealed authorizing the District to the following:

A. District decision on Department determination on spaces inconsistent with the facilities efficiency standards or the applicable programmatic model in the district's approved Long-range facilities plan (check only one):

- District accepted and agreed to locally fund any excess (space) costs
- District revised its school facilities project and resubmitted it for Department review
- District requested additional space eligible for State support
- Not applicable

If the District accepted and agreed to locally fund any ineligible (excess space) costs as indicated on this form, the Department will be better able to expedite the determination of final eligible cost (FEC) for the school facilities project. If the District selected any of the other options, and the Department accepted the revision or agreed to the request, this change was reflected in the school facilities project determination letter. If the Department did not accept the revision or agree to the request, the school facilities project determination does not reflect such change.

B. If District elects to construct its school facilities project, select State funding support:

_____ Debt Service Aid N.A. Grant,

C. District determination on FEC (see comments below):

_____ Accepts PEC (will not appeal PEC) or, _____ Defers decision on PEC, and,

D. District is proposing a: (Mo/Day/Yr) _____, 20_____ Referendum.

Should the District indicate its acceptance of the PEC as FEC, the Department will be better able to expedite an FEC determination for the school facilities project. The District understands that if it defers the decision on PEC, thereby retaining the right to either accept or appeal PEC, the District may within 30 days of the preparation of detailed plans and specifications by a design professional appeal to the Commissioner of the Department for an increase in those costs if such plans indicate that the cost of constructing that portion of the school facilities project approved for State support exceeds the PEC as determined by the Commissioner by 10 % or more. In the case of a county special services school district or a county vocational school district, a decision other than acceptance of the PEC as FEC will require approval by the board of chosen freeholders.

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District Superintendent Signature

Date

Enclosure required (See Section IV of main letter, above, “Action to be taken”):

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**State Project No. 25-5420-073-22-3000: HVAC Work
Old Mill Elementary School
Wall Township Public School District
MONMOUTH COUNTY**

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New Construction: (NA)

New Building GSF:	---
Addition GSF:	---
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Total Ineligible GSF:	---
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Total GSF:	---

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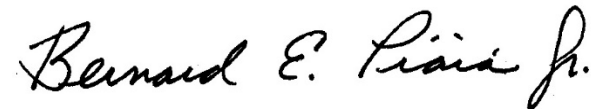
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Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-7 the following is the PEC for the approved school facilities project:

PEC Calculations:

Preliminary Eligible Cost Calculations for SP#:				5420-077-23-1000	Old Mill Elementary School	
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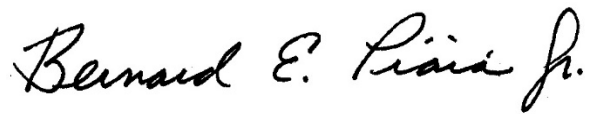
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B. If District elects to construct its school facilities project, select State funding support:

_____ Debt Service Aid N.A. Grant,

C. District determination on FEC (see comments below):

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District Superintendent Signature

Date

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THIS PROJECT DOES NOT IMPACT EDUCATIONAL ADEQUACY AND IS NOT SUBJECT TO DOE FINAL EDUCATIONAL ADEQUACY REVIEW.

**State Project No. 25-5420-078-23-1000: Toilets Rehabilitation Work
Primary School
Wall Township Public School District
MONMOUTH COUNTY**

**Source of any EFCFA Funding: Debt Service Aid (December 2022 Referendum)
Source of any Local Funding: Long Term Debt (December 2022 Referendum)**

Dear Dr. Handerhan:

Your district has submitted an application for a school facilities project pursuant to Section 5 of the Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act, P.L. 2000, c. 72 (EFCFA or Act) and the New Jersey Department of Education implementing regulations at N.J.A.C. 6A:26-1 et seq. (Regulations). This project application has been deemed complete by the New Jersey Department of Education Office of School Facilities Projects (Department), has been reviewed under the Act and the Regulations, and, as a result, the Department now makes the following determinations regarding the above referenced project.

I. DEPARTMENT DETERMINATIONS:

1. This school facilities project qualifies as a school facilities project eligible for State support under the Act, or ineligible costs have been noted.
2. This school facilities project is consistent with the District's approved long-range facilities plan (LRFP) as approved or as amended as of September 26, 2021.
3. This school facilities project meets the educational adequacy requirements, if applicable.

4. This school facilities project, which is not subject to educational adequacy requirements, meets the schematic plans requirements, if applicable.
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- Toilet Room Rehabilitation Work.

New Construction: (NA)

New Building GSF:	---
Addition GSF:	---
Total Eligible GSF:	---
Total Ineligible GSF:	---
Other Eligible GSF for Educational Adequacy:	---
Total GSF:	---

Rehabilitation:

Total Eligible GSF:	200
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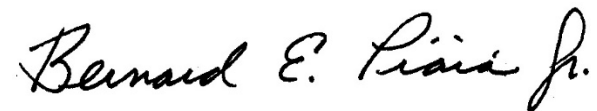
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MONMOUTH COUNTY**

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Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-7 the following is the PEC for the approved school facilities project:

PEC Calculations:

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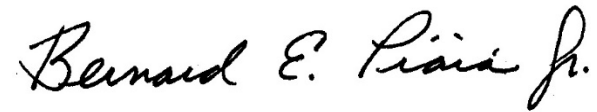
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B. If District elects to construct its school facilities project, select State funding support:
 Debt Service Aid N.A. Grant,

C. District determination on FEC (see comments below):
 Accepts PEC (will not appeal PEC) or, Defers decision on PEC, and,

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Should the District indicate its acceptance of the PEC as FEC, the Department will be better able to expedite an FEC determination for the school facilities project. The District understands that if it defers the decision on PEC, thereby retaining the right to either accept or appeal PEC, the District may within 30 days of the preparation of detailed plans and specifications by a design professional appeal to the Commissioner of the Department for an increase in those costs if such plans indicate that the cost of constructing that portion of the school facilities project approved for State support exceeds the PEC as determined by the Commissioner by 10 % or more. In the case of a county special services school district or a county vocational school district, a decision other than acceptance of the PEC as FEC will require approval by the board of chosen freeholders.

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District Superintendent Signature

Date

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September 1, 2022

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**State Project No. 25-5420-080-22-4000: HVAC, Electrical and Site Work
West Belmar Elementary School
Wall Township Public School District
MONMOUTH COUNTY**

**Source of any EFCFA Funding: Debt Service Aid (December 2022 Referendum)
Source of any Local Funding: Long Term Debt (December 2022 Referendum)**

Dear Dr. Handerhan:

Your district has submitted an application for a school facilities project pursuant to Section 5 of the Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act, P.L. 2000, c. 72 (EFCFA or Act) and the New Jersey Department of Education implementing regulations at N.J.A.C. 6A:26-1 et seq. (Regulations). This project application has been deemed complete by the New Jersey Department of Education Office of School Facilities Projects (Department), has been reviewed under the Act and the Regulations, and, as a result, the Department now makes the following determinations regarding the above referenced project.

I. DEPARTMENT DETERMINATIONS:

1. This school facilities project qualifies as a school facilities project eligible for State support under the Act, or ineligible costs have been noted.
2. This school facilities project is consistent with the District's approved long-range facilities plan (LRFP) as approved or as amended as of September 26, 2021.
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- HVAC, Electrical and Site work,
- Associated work as required.

New Construction: (NA)

New Building GSF:	---
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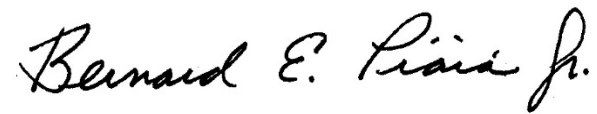
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New Construction: (NA)

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Addition GSF:	---
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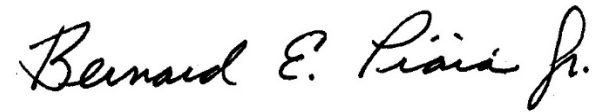
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DISTRICT: _____
COUNTY: _____
PROJECT NUMBER: _____

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B. If District elects to construct its school facilities project, select State funding support:

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District Superintendent Signature

Date

Enclosure required (See Section IV of main letter, above, “Action to be taken”):

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October 18, 2022

Dr. Tracy Handerhan, Superintendent
Wall Township Public School District
1620 18th Avenue
Wall, New Jersey 07719

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THIS PROJECT DOES NOT IMPACT EDUCATIONAL ADEQUACY AND IS NOT SUBJECT TO DOE FINAL EDUCATIONAL ADEQUACY REVIEW.

**State Project No. 25-5420-080-23-2000: Various Rehabilitation Work
West Belmar Elementary School
Wall Township Public School District
MONMOUTH COUNTY**

**Source of any EFCFA Funding: Debt Service Aid (December 2022 Referendum)
Source of any Local Funding: Long Term Debt (December 2022 Referendum)**

Dear Dr. Handerhan:

Your district has submitted an application for a school facilities project pursuant to Section 5 of the Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act, P.L. 2000, c. 72 (EFCFA or Act) and the New Jersey Department of Education implementing regulations at N.J.A.C. 6A:26-1 et seq. (Regulations). This project application has been deemed complete by the New Jersey Department of Education Office of School Facilities Projects (Department), has been reviewed under the Act and the Regulations, and, as a result, the Department now makes the following determinations regarding the above referenced project.

I. DEPARTMENT DETERMINATIONS:

1. This school facilities project qualifies as a school facilities project eligible for State support under the Act, or ineligible costs have been noted.
2. This school facilities project is consistent with the District's approved long-range facilities plan (LRFP) as approved or as amended as of September 26, 2021.
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- Roofing, toilet room, mechanical and electrical upgrades.

New Construction: (NA)

New Building GSF:	---
Addition GSF:	---
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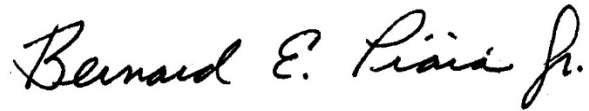
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