



# RESOLUTION A (RESO A)

## CAPITAL FUNDS - FISCAL YEAR 2023

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## COST AND TIMEFRAME ESTIMATES

### Project Types

	Low	High	Average Months for Delivery
 Auditorium Upgrade* Seating & Floor* Curtains* Audio/Visual Tech	\$1M \$800K \$150K \$150K	\$2.5M \$1.2M \$400K \$300K	22
 Gymnasium Upgrade* and ** Wall Padding* Refinished Basketball Court Replaced Basketball Court	\$600K \$35K \$150K \$300K	\$950K \$70K \$300K \$600K	20
 Library*	\$750K	\$1.5M	20
 Science Lab Upgrade*	\$1M	\$2M	20
 Cafeteria*	\$750K	\$1.5M	20
 New Science Lab* Elementary School	\$2.5M \$500K	\$3M \$1M	24
 Playground*	\$750K	\$1.5M	20
 Security Cameras	\$550K	\$1M	18
 Mobile Science Carts	\$62K	\$80K	6
 Culinary Arts Room	\$2M	\$3M	24
 Green Roofs* & ***	\$5M	\$7M	24
 Supplemental Cooling for PS/IS Public Assembly Space	\$750K	\$1.2M	24

Average and high costs based on 2014-2018 data (provided as general guidelines), costs are dependent upon grade level and number of rooms

\*\* Does not include locker room renovations

\*\*\* Many schools are not viable candidates for these projects due to their building's infrastructure



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## What Are Resolution A Projects?

Resolution A (Reso A) projects are school-specific capital improvement or enhancement projects that are funded by individual grants from New York City Council Members or Borough Presidents. These projects are important to the school community because they help the Department of Education enhance facilities in existing school buildings. Once a City Council Member or Borough President decides to designate a grant, the School Construction Authority (SCA) is responsible for scoping out the project and overseeing the design and construction.

## Design and Construction Process

After Reso A funding has been secured, our architects will meet with the school's administration during scope and design. Once design has been completed, the SCA will hold a phasing meeting with the principal to discuss the timeline of the project. A UFT Protocol meeting is then held with the school community prior to starting construction. Construction may take months to complete and the school may need to vacate the space for the duration of construction. Reso A funding is used for scope, design, and construction.

## Potential Reso A Projects

Auditorium and Gymnasium Improvements | Upgrading Libraries | Building Science Labs | Refurbishing Playgrounds | Installing Security Cameras  
Providing Technology and Mobile Science Carts



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## Capital Eligibility for Resolution A Projects

The following is a list of general criteria that establish capital eligibility for Reso A projects:

- All grants must be a minimum of \$50K (Effective July 1, 2020).
- Capital construction projects must provide a permanent enhancement to the facility.
- All equipment must have a lifespan of five years.
- Technology grants must be used to purchase networkable desktops, laptops, tablets, notebook computers, printers and/or smart boards.

The following are examples of projects/items that are **not capital eligible and cannot be funded** through the Reso A program:

- Toner cartridges and other technology based supplies
- Window air conditioning units
- Loose classroom and library furniture
- E-Readers
- After school programs
- Software
- Library Books
- Photocopiers
- Staffing
- Subscriptions



## PROJECT MILESTONES

**Scope:**  
The architect meets with the school administration to discuss project specifics. The architect will produce a scope report that defines work to be performed, preliminary scope estimate, as well as construction duration.

**Design:**  
Prepare complete set of construction/contract documents to be used for Bid and Award.

**Phasing Schedule:**  
Work hours are determined and areas to be used by the contractor established with school administration (estimated 3:30pm start time for interior work).

**Bid and Award:**  
Public advertising, bid opening, and award of contract.

**Construction:**  
Project mobilization begins and includes pre-construction meetings, permitting, and site safety plan.



## BUDGET TIMELINE

**January—March**  
Elected officials and schools identify potential projects; Applications due to Borough Presidents in February, Council Members in March

**May—June**  
City budget negotiations and approvals

**July 1<sup>st</sup>**  
City's fiscal year begins

**July—September**  
NYC Office of Management and Budget reviews allocations

**October—November**  
SCA receives final budget authorization from the NYC Office of Management and Budget (OMB)

**November—December**  
SCA begins project scope and schools are contacted by their project team; Technology notifications communicated via the Principal's Weekly

The SCA has been able to utilize Reso A funding to complete some unique and innovative projects such as *Challenger Space Center, Edible Schoolyards, Planetarium Upgrade and Green Roofs.*