

OUR OPPORTUNITY

The Apollo Board of Education must decide to accept or decline an offer of \$22 million in state funding by May of 2012.

- *For every \$1 district residents contribute, OSFC contributes another \$2*

The Ohio School Facilities Commission funding will be used to renovate the following:

Infrastructure — Issues that can't be ignored

Apollo Career Center is 36 years old; the problems are not going away — the fix will never be cheaper

- Our plumbing, electrical, heating, cooling and ventilation systems are wearing out and parts are obsolete
- It's getting more expensive every year to repair aging equipment and keep it functioning
- Parking lots/sidewalks need replaced

Technology — Need to provide students with the tools to compete in a rapidly changing world of communications

- Requires an overhaul of outdated computer network and wiring closets
- Need new equipment and simulators to train students in their career choices
- Wireless, cloud computing, interactive technologies and communication tools needed
- In 1976 there were no computers. This facility was not designed to embrace the technology revolution

Academic Classroom Expansion — We are out of space

- Science labs were retrofitted in 2005, and 650-720 square feet does not compare to the 1100 square feet that current Ohio School Facilities Commission (OSFC) recommends
- In 1976 two academics were offered; in 2012 Apollo offers 23 academics to meet the core curriculum requirements just like our area high schools



Locally Funded Initiatives (LFI)

The Ohio School Facilities Commission will not fund needed programs and services for Adult Education and High School Career Technical additions. These items have been requested by local industry leaders, as well as the Apollo community. Locally Funded Initiatives could include the following:

- Adult Education is bursting at the seams and needs to grow to meet industry training demands. Training opportunities are turned away weekly
- Adult Culinary Arts, and high school Sports Fitness and Exercise Science currently must be offered off-campus due to space issues
- An additional welding lab is to needed to accommodate daytime, evening, and weekend training for adults and high school students
- High demand for day-time adult classes with no ability to house these courses
- High School Esthetics will be housed in already inadequate Cosmetology space. We need lab space to accommodate the new and innovative programming that we should be offering.

Your input is vital to the current decision making process. We need to hear from the Apollo community, so we can continue to provide training that produces a skilled labor force which benefits our community, our economy, and our citizens.

IF you have additional questions or would like to share your thoughts directly, please email to YourVoice@apolloc.org. This is your opportunity to assist us in creating training programs today for tomorrow's jobs.