GREENHOUSE REFERENDUM

THE GREENHOUSE

ONC BOCES has been working with our architects for the last two years to plan for the construction of a new Greenhouse on the property at NCOC. There has been lots of work with the Office of Facilities Planning at NYS Education Department to ensure that we design the project in a way that they can approve the plans. After much research and review of design options with several Greenhouse companies, we were able to settle upon a Cottage Style glass sided greenhouse. The structure will be 20' 10" by 10'8" and place on a concreate slab with masonry high knee walls. The building will have heat, cooling, fans and environment control sensors. There will also be electric and water connections to the building.

WHO WILL BE ABLE TO USE THE GREENHOUSE?

All BOCES student programs will have access to the greenhouse for curriculum related projects.

HOW WILL THE PROJECT BE FUNDED?

The funding for this project came from our component schools through our annual capital budget. We have allocated \$274,000 in our capital fund for this work. The BOCES will not incur any debt for the project.

WHY IS A VOTE NEEDED?

When a BOCES wants to expand the square footage of buildings, including the addition of new buildings, we are required to host a public referendum.

WHO CAN VOTE?

Any resident, who is 18 years or older, of the BOCES regions (resident of one of our 19 component schools) can vote.

WHEN IS THE VOTE?

The public can vote at either of our occupational centers (Grand Gorge or Milford) on October 28th between the hours of noon and 8 pm. If a resident cannot vote in person during that time, absentee ballots are available.

HOW CAN AN INTERESTED PERSON FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THIS PROJECT?

The main contact for this project is Dr. Jennifer Avery, Deputy Superintendent. Email: javery@oncboces.org Phone: 607-286-7715 x3325

