

# REFERENDUM INFORMATION SHEET #2

## *“What happens if the referendum does not pass?”*

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Fact:

If we do not pass this referendum, the district is capable of doing little with our schools. The schools will continue to deteriorate and they will cost more and more to repair, if they are repairable at all.

Fact:

Currently the State of New Jersey will give us anywhere between 18 – 40% to offset the cost of the repairs and new build. This program may not exist forever, then how much will it cost us to do even the most minor repairs?

Fact:

All four schools have not had technology updated in years. As technology moves forward, we will not be able to. As this becomes more and more important, the students of the Ringwood Public School System will be at a huge disadvantage when they move on in their academic careers.

Fact:

We will continue to spend a fortune on energy costs and the schools will continue to be extremely hot or cold. As energy costs continue to rise, we may be forced to consider consolidating schools and increasing class sizes to reduce their costs.

Fact:

We will be unable to attract the best teachers and our best may move elsewhere to schools that are advanced and provide the facilities to support advanced curriculum.

**VERY SOON SCHOOL DISTRICTS WILL NEED TO HAVE A SUPER MAJORITY TO PASS A REFERENDUM!**

**THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION HAS WARNED US THAT THEY ARE TIGHTENING THE CODES ON BUILDING AND THIS MAY BE OUR ONLY CHANCE TO BUILD THE TYPE OF ADDITIONS WE ARE PLANNING!**

**OUR SCHOOLS ARE PART OF OUR HOME AND THE TIME TO FIX THEM IS NOW!**

**DON'T LET THIS OPPORTUNITY PASS US BY!**

**VOTE!**

See you at the polls April 21, 2009

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