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Ranzenhofer Announces \$2.5 million For Genesee Schools

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New York State Senator Michael H. Ranzenhofer has announced today the approval of Smart School Investment Plans for three school districts in Genesee County, including \$2,543,552 for high-tech security and school connectivity. The funding is part of the Smart Schools Bond Act.

“Our children have unlimited potential to succeed, but only if our school districts get their fair share of state dollars,” said Ranzenhofer. “This investment will turn that potential into reality by ensuring Batavia City, LeRoy and Pavilion schools get the best resources to foster student success in a global economy.”

High-tech security funding has been authorized in the amounts of \$1,940,585 for Batavia City School District and \$348,300 for Pavilion School District. LeRoy School District has been approved for \$254,667 in school connectivity funding.

Schools can invest these funds in classroom technology, school connectivity and high-tech security upgrades to better prepare students for success in the 21st century.

“The Batavia City School District is going to use SSBA funds to install and upgrade high tech security to assure the safety and well-being of our students and staff in all buildings to assist in maintaining a safest possible learning environment. We are planning on installing new

card readers, new door contacts, electronic door strikes, wireless locksets, fixed high-definition cameras, door closers, and motion detectors. These improvements will allow our focus to remain on student learning while creating a safe environment for our students and staff to work, learn and grow,” said Batavia City School District Superintendent Christopher J. Dailey.

“Pavilion Central Schools will use the recently approved Smart School Investment Plan funds to upgrade our video security system to provide a safe and secure learning environment. The existing system was installed many years ago has limited coverage and minimal storage capacity. Our goal is to upgrade our system and expand coverage in all areas. These funds will make it possible to cover all targeted areas on campus with a state of the art camera security system,” said Pavilion Central School Superintendent Kenneth J. Ellison.

The Smart Schools Review Board is responsible for approval of the plan. In 2014, voters approved the \$2 billion statewide school investment to finance educational technology and infrastructure.

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