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**Christie Administration Announces West Milford
to Receive \$213,396 Through Schools Development Authority's
Regular Operating District Grant Program**

Furthering the Governor's commitment to providing the state's children with safe, modern and efficient schools, the Christie Administration today announced that the New Jersey Schools Development Authority (SDA) has executed two state grants to the West Milford School District through the SDA's Regular Operating District (ROD) grant program.

The details for the district grants are as follows:

Projects:

Aphsawa Elementary School: Window and exterior door replacement.

Marshall Hill Elementary School: Window and exterior door replacement.

State share: \$213,396

Local share: \$320,095

Estimated total project cost: \$533,491

SDA Chief Executive Officer Marc Larkins, in cooperation with the Department of Education, announced the resumption of the grant program in May 2010. Since then, the SDA has executed 863 grants. The state-grant program funds at least 40 percent of eligible costs for projects in the RODs, addressing health and safety issues, student overcrowding and other critical needs.

The Department of Education selects school projects to receive grant funding from the SDA. The State has provided more than \$271.1 million in grants to local districts since the May 2010 announcement, leveraging projects estimated at a total of more than \$630.4 million. Funding for the program was made available through the sale of \$500 million in bonds by the New Jersey Economic Development Authority (EDA).

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