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**To:** Town Council Group  
**Cc:** Board of Education; Wayne Donaldson  
**Subject:** Update on Fire Alarm Replacement Projects - JWL and LHS

Good Evening,

As promised in the meeting last evening, here is additional information/clarity on the JWL and LHS Fire Alarm Updates. I am not able to speak to the Mayors rational for this years allocation in his recommended budget.

Unfortunately, like the town we continue to see year over year cost escalations that significantly impact our project budgets. Here are the numbers as they stand today:

**Juliet W. Long School (JWL) - 2025 Allocated \$75,000 / Funds Remaining \$66,600 / **Needed to complete this project \$52,400 (as of today's pricing).****

- Recent quote (2/11/25) to finish upgrading the fire alarm system: **\$119,000.**
- Control panel replaced - \$8,400
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- Smoke/heat detectors are limited to hallways. No detectors or visual alarms in classrooms.
- Current system lacks voice instruction capabilities and cannot issue separate lockdown notifications.

**Ledyard High School (LHS) - \$350,000 (Amount requested by BOE Capital Plan)**

- Recent verbal quote (November 2024) from Fire Alarm Specialty Design: **\$350,000.**
- System dates to original construction (1962) and faces continuous faults in multiple zones.
- Smoke/heat detectors are limited to hallways and some specialty rooms. No detectors or visual alarms in classrooms.
- Current system lacks voice instruction capabilities and cannot issue separate lockdown notifications.

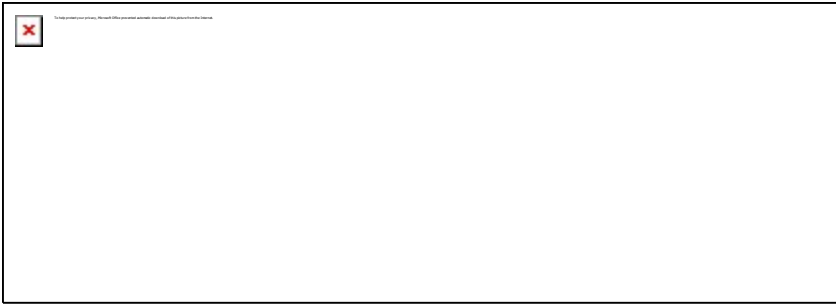
Thank you for your consideration and support. Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or need clarity on any of the above. -Jay

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Ledyard Public Schools

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