

# East Palestine Schools expects to save \$56,500 annually through partnership with Energy Optimizers, USA

TIPP CITY, Ohio, Nov. 18, 2014 (SEND2PRESS NEWSWIRE) – The East Palestine City School District expects to save more than \$56,500 annually by partnering with [Energy Optimizers, USA](#), to improve energy efficiency at all three of its school buildings.

Lighting, temperature controls and boiler upgrades will significantly reduce the district's utility and related maintenance costs, freeing more dollars for student resources. Funding is provided through the Ohio School Facilities Commission's House Bill 264 program, enabling the district to make these cost-cutting improvements at no expense to taxpayers. Projected energy savings are guaranteed, and the payback for the upgrades is just over 9 years.

"I am extremely excited about our partnership with Energy Optimizers for this [HB 264 project](#)," said East Palestine City Schools Superintendent George Fisk. "In addition to benefitting the environment through reduced energy consumption, the savings from our project have been targeted to support increased reading and math achievement in grades K-12."

In total, the project will involve:

- \* [Replacing interior lighting](#) with more efficient lamps and removing unneeded lamps to cut waste.
- \* Replacing exterior lighting with LED technology to improve energy efficiency while enhancing building safety, appearance and security.
- \* Replacing dated boilers with more energy-efficient models.
- \* Installing smart kitchen exhaust and walk-in cooler/freezer controls to cut back on wasted electricity.
- \* Installing a main power surge protection to improve building safety and reliability.
- \* Extensively training district staff on how to make the most of the improved efficiencies.

The energy efficiency gained by the district will be equivalent to saving 42 acres of trees or taking 28 cars off the road. The project is expected to begin in the near future and be wrapped up by the summer of 2015.

"When this project is completed, East Palestine Schools will be operating in a much more energy efficient fashion," said Bob Hausmann, Director of Operations for Energy Optimizers, USA. "That's good news for the environment, and even better news for students and taxpayers. Those are real dollars saved that can be diverted to other, more important uses, like classroom education."

The partnership also includes the resources to launch a Green Team, an energy

education effort that Energy Optimizers, USA promotes in all of its school-related energy conservation projects. In addition to funding the team for two years, Energy Optimizers, USA will provide Ohio Energy Project academic materials that are aligned to Ohio's academic content standards. Green Team members will take part in STEM-related activities that are focused on energy conservation, while encouraging their peers to become more environmentally conscious.

### About Energy Optimizers, USA:

Energy Optimizers, USA works with Ohio school districts and government agencies to implement energy savings opportunities to reduce operational costs, including lighting retrofits, renewable energy projects (wind and solar), HVAC retrofit projects, building automation retrofits and energy education programs. The company is ranked in Top 500 of INC. Magazine's list of 5,000 fastest growing companies in the U.S. (2014), was named the Fastest Growing Company in the region for two consecutive years by the Dayton Business Journal (2013, 2014), and was named a BBB Eclipse Integrity Award Finalist (2012).

To learn more about Energy Optimizers, USA, visit their website at <http://energyoptusa.com/> or call them at (937) 877-1919.

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