SPOTLIGHT ON SCHOOLS

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NET ZERO ENERGY (4)





BENEFITS OF NET ZERO SCHOOLS



less absenteeism



NET ZERO ENERGY DEFINITION



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An all-electric building, that has a very low EUI, whose annual energy use is equal to the amount of on-site or off-site renewable energy.

If more energy is generated or purchased than energy is used the building is **Net Positive**



NET ZERO READY

EUI target achieved but renewables not yet provided



ENERGY USE INTENSITY

 $EUI \sim MPG$

ENERGY USE

LOWER EUI MEANS LESS ENERGY USED

MEASURING ENERGY USE



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EUI ~ MPG

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Net Zero School EUI 25

School designed to current Stretch Energy Code EUI 28-40

Average existing MA school EUI 85



PATH TO **NET ZERO ENERGY**

Roof, Facade and Site PV battery Storage **RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATION**

ALL-ELECTRIC HVAC OPTIONS FOR SCHOOLS

NET ZERO

Ground Source Heat Pump

Displacement Ventilation

MAYBE NET ZERO

Air Source Heat Pump or VRF

> Overhead Ventilation

Air - Water Heat Pump Chiller/ Heating Plant

Displacement Ventilation

APPLICABLE INCENTIVES

FEDERAL

• SECTION 48 INVESTMENT TAX CREDIT - SOLAR, ENERGY STORAGE, AND GROUND SOURCE HEAT PUMPS

STATE

• MASS SAVE - PATH 1 OR PATH 2 • EVSE CHARGING

MSBA

• 3% ADD'L IF MEET SPECIALIZED ENERGY CODE **1. ON-SITE NET ZERO** 2.ALL-ELECTRIC **3.ELECTRIC READY**

NET ZERO BUILDINGS = SAVINGS

Comparison of ground source heat pump to gas boiler system: Without incentives

-\$50,000

ANNUAL SAVINGS

Solar Generation Energy Reduction Battery Peak Demand AEC Revenue Equipment Replacement O&M

ANNUAL DEBT SERVICE COSTS

POTENTIAL INCENTIVES

| | Technology | Cost | Rate ¹ | Estimat |
|---|-------------------------|-------------|-------------------|---------|
| Sec 48 Alternative Energy Investment Tax Credit | Solar, Wind | \$1,400,000 | 25.5% | \$357 |
| | Ground Source Heat Pump | \$8,000,000 | 34% | \$2,72 |
| | Thermal Energy Storage | NA | 34% | |
| | Electrochromic Glass | NA | 34% | |
| Mass Save | Path 1 | | | \$1,16 |
| MA EVIP Public Access ² | EV charging | \$42,000 | 100% | \$42 |
| Potential Total | | | | \$4.28 |

1. Assumed using tax-exempt bonds



Comparison of ground source heat pump to gas boiler system: With Mass Save incentives

\$100,000 \$3,118,651 FIRST 30 YEARS \$ 109,471 ANNUAL AFTER \$0

-\$50,000

ANNUAL SAVINGS

Solar Generation Energy Reduction Battery Peak Demand AEC Revenue Equipment Replacement O&M

ANNUAL DEBT SERVICE COSTS

| Comparison of grou to gas boiler system | \$250,000 | |
|--|---------------------|--------------|
| With Mass Save & Investment Tax Credit | | \$200,000 |
| | | \$150,000 |
| \$ 8,462,474 | FIRST 30 YEARS | \$100,000 |
| \$ 109,471 | ANNUAL AFTER | \$50,000 |
| | | \$0 - |

-\$50,000

