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## Senator Fuschillo Secures State Funding for New Educational Technology at Merrick Schools

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Senator Charles J. Fuschillo, Jr. (R-Merrick) announced that he has secured \$30,000 in state funding for the Merrick School District to purchase new educational technology.

The state funds will allow the Merrick School District to purchase and install additional interactive “SMART” Boards at Birch, Chatterton, and Levy-Lakeside Elementary Schools. “SMART” Boards are touch sensitive, computerized blackboards which allow teachers to incorporate the Internet, videos, and manipulate text as part of their lessons. Teachers can also have students actively participate in a lesson by having them use the SMART Boards to search the Internet, write text, or draw diagrams in front of the class.

“SMART Boards are valuable tools which make learning more engaging, exciting, and fun for students. These state funds will enable the Merrick School District to take greater advantage of this interactive educational technology for the benefit of its students and teachers,” said Senator Fuschillo.

“On behalf of the Board of Education, Administration, Faculty, and most importantly, the students of the Merrick School District, I would like to thank Senator Fuschillo for securing this funding for our schools. SMART Boards are fantastic devices for displaying concepts visually and motivating students. These funds will go to great use!” said Dr. Dominck Palma,

Superintendent of the Merrick School District.