

Original Question from Councilmember Riccio:

Mr. Riccio asked if the Rhode Island Department of Education (RIDE) has made certain efficiency measures or levels of performance conditions of approval for any of the new schools that are being discussed for construction in several municipalities?

Written Response from National Grid:

- RIDE uses the Northeast collaborative for high performance schools (NE-CHPS) as a minimum standard for school efficiency (More info on NE-CHPS can be found here: <https://neep.org/northeast-collaborative-high-performance-schools-criteria-ne-chps-version-32>)
- Each district is required to contact National Grid before they go to construction and the company can incentivize efficient equipment that is above code and below NE-CHPS standards; they can offer even more incentive if equipment exceeds NE-CHPS.
- Due to recent bond issuance, there are at least 6 communities the Company is looking to begin work with this year.