



**ABSENTEE
OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION
RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 14, 2023**

Margaret Hade
SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

- A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this: ●
- B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.
- C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.

FOR SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER

three (3) year term Vote for not more than two (2)

- DANIELLE MAXWELL**
- BRUCE VALLEY**
- MICHELLE WHEELER**
- MATTHEW J. CURTIN**
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- (Write-in)
- (Write-in)

ARTICLES

Article 01 Operating Budget FY23-24

Shall the Rye School District raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$16,576,387 (Sixteen Million Five Hundred Seventy-Six Thousand Three Hundred Eighty-Seven Dollars)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$16,279,349 (Sixteen Million Two Hundred Seventy-Nine Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Nine Dollars), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Rye School District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. (Majority vote required.)

YES
NO

(NOTE: This warrant article [operating budget] does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant article.)

The Rye School Board recommends this operating budget. (Vote 5-0)
The Rye Budget Committee recommends the operating budget (Vote 8-0)

Article 02 Rye Educational Support Personnel Association (RESPA)

Shall the Rye School District vote to approve the modification of the cost items in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Rye School Board and the Rye Educational Support Personnel Association (RESPA) which was previously approved by the voters for 2019-2024, on the 2019 warrant, which modifications calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels over the amount paid in the prior fiscal year in addition to those increases previously approved:

Fiscal Year	Estimated Increase
2023-2024	\$131,408

YES
NO

and further to raise and appropriate \$131,408 (One Hundred Thirty-One Thousand Four Hundred Eight Dollars) for the 2023-2024 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels. (Majority vote required)

(NOTE: This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article 1, the Operating Budget Article.)

The Rye School Board recommends this warrant article. (Vote 5-0)
The Rye Budget Committee recommends this warrant article. (Vote 8-0)

VOTE BOTH SIDES OF BALLOT

ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article 03 Call a Special Meeting

Shall the Rye School District, if WARRANT ARTICLE 2 is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address WARRANT ARTICLE 2 cost items only? (Majority vote required)

YES
NO

Article 04 Special Education Expendable Trust Fund

To see if the Rye School District will vote to raise and appropriate up to \$75,000 (Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars) to be added to the Special Education Expendable Trust Fund previously established, with such sum to be funded from June 30, 2023 unassigned fund balance. (Majority vote required)

YES
NO

The Rye School Board recommends this warrant article. (Vote 5-0)
The Rye Budget Committee recommends this warrant article. (Vote 8-0)

Article 05 Tuition Expendable Trust Fund

To see if the Rye School District will vote to raise and appropriate up to \$50,000 (Fifty Thousand Dollars) to be added to the Tuition Expendable Trust Fund previously established, with such sum to be funded from June 30, 2023 unassigned fund balance. (Majority vote required)

YES
NO

The Rye School Board recommends this warrant article. (Vote 5-0)
The Rye Budget Committee recommends this warrant article. (Vote 8-0)

Article 06 Roof Replacement Project - Rye Elementary School

Shall the Rye School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000,000 (One Million Dollars) toward the Roof Replacement Project at Rye Elementary School with \$500,000 (Five Hundred Thousand Dollars) of this amount to be raised by taxation and the balance to come from unassigned fund balance? (Majority vote required)

YES
NO

The Rye School Board recommends this warrant article. (Vote 5-0)
The Rye Budget Committee recommends this warrant article (Vote 8-0)

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