

**ABSENTEE BALLOT AND OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION
DRESDEN SCHOOL DISTRICT
TUESDAY, MARCH 2, 2021**

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SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

To vote for a person whose name is printed on the ballot, fill in the oval to the right of that person's name.
To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the person's name on the blank line in the appropriate block and fill in the oval at the right of that person's name.
To vote for or against a question on the ballot, fill in the oval in the Yes or No column to the right of the question.

<p align="center">FOR DISTRICT MODERATOR</p> <p align="center">One-year Term Vote for not more than one</p> <p>THOMAS CSATARI (HANOVER) <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>	<p align="center">FOR DISTRICT TREASURER</p> <p align="center">One-year Term Vote for not more than one</p> <p>CHERYL A. LINDBERG (NORWICH) <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>	<p align="center">FOR DISTRICT AUDITOR</p> <p align="center">Two-year Term Vote for not more than one</p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>
<p align="center">FOR DISTRICT CLERK</p> <p align="center">One-year Term Vote for not more than one</p> <p>CAROLE E. BIBEAU (NORWICH) <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>	<p align="center">FOR DISTRICT AUDITOR</p> <p align="center">One-year Term Vote for not more than one</p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>	<p align="center">FOR DISTRICT AUDITOR</p> <p align="center">Three-year Term Vote for not more than one</p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in)</p>

ARTICLES

ARTICLE 2: Shall the District raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Hundred Forty-Two Thousand, Seven Hundred Sixty-Four Dollars (\$842,764) for technology infrastructure upgrades at the Richmond Middle and Hanover High Schools? And further authorize the School Board to issue bonds and/or notes in accordance with the provisions of the NH-VT Interstate School Compact (Article VII) and to authorize the School Board to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon (majority vote required).

YES
NO

The School Board recommends this article.

NOTE 1. No payment will be due in the 2021-22 school year. We are pursuing ERate funding reimbursements and will return any unused funds to fund balance in order to offset tax assessments in the year(s) after funding is secured.

VOTE BOTH SIDES OF BALLOT

ARTICLES CONTINUED

ARTICLE 3: Shall the District determine and fix the salaries of School District officers as follows: School Board members \$700 per member with additional \$300 for School Board Chair; School District Treasurer \$2,567; School District Clerk \$500; and School District Moderator \$200 in accordance with Article V-A of the NH/VT Interstate School Compact, and further raise and appropriate the amount of Eleven Thousand, Nine Hundred Sixty-Seven Dollars (\$11,967) to fund these salaries? The School Board recommends this article.

YES
NO

ARTICLE 4: Shall the District vote to approve the cost items in the two (2) year collective bargaining agreement reached between the Local #1348 of the AFSCME a/k/a Service Employees (including Custodial and Maintenance technicians) and the Dresden School Board, which calls for the following increases in service staff salaries and benefits:

Year	Over status quo budget
2021-2022	\$18,513
2022-2023	\$25,517

and further, shall the District raise and appropriate the sum of Eighteen Thousand, Five Hundred and Thirteen Dollars (\$18,513), such sum representing the estimated increase in service staff salaries and benefits for the 2021-2022 fiscal year brought about by this collective bargaining agreement (majority vote required)? The School Board recommends this article.

YES
NO

NOTE 1. The sum necessary to pay the so-called status quo salaries and benefits for service staff if this article is defeated is included in the operating budget in Article 5.

NOTE 2. A favorable vote on this article shall be considered the approval of the cost items in both years (2) of the proposed collective bargaining agreement.

ARTICLE 5: Shall the District raise and appropriate the amount of Twenty-Eight Million, One Hundred Seventy-Four Thousand, One Hundred Eighty-One Dollars (\$28,174,181), for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for the teachers and other school employees, school district officials, and agents, and for the payment of the statutory obligations of the District for the 2021-22 fiscal year? This sum does not include the sums appropriated in any of the other articles. The School Board recommends this article.

YES
NO

ARTICLE 6: Shall the Dresden School District vote to amend its Articles of Agreement, specifically Article (D), effective as of the 2022-2023 school year to read as follows:

D. The Dresden School District shall be responsible for grades 7-12 inclusive, provided, however, that Dresden School District shall be responsible additionally for grade 6 upon the affirmative vote of a member school district designating Dresden School District as the exclusive provider of sixth grade educational services to the students of such member school district which designation shall become effective no earlier than the fiscal year following the next annual meeting, or such later date as the Dresden School Board determines in its discretion is necessary to permit the construction of any capital improvements to accommodate the projected additional students. Such designation shall be conditioned upon the member district contributing its equitable share of the capital, as determined by the Dresden School Board, for incremental grade 6 building costs. If such contribution is not made, such designation shall be deemed to have been made on a space available rather than exclusive basis.

YES
NO

The Dresden School District may operate schools for grades other than grades 7-12 for students received on a tuition basis. No tuition students shall be received from the Norwich and Hanover School Districts by the Dresden School District except pursuant to a tuition contract approved by the receiving and sending districts.

[New material underlined; majority vote required]

The School Board recommends this article.

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