

RAYMOND SCHOOL DISTRICT  
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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TO THE INHABITANTS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, IN THE TOWN OF RAYMOND, NEW HAMPSHIRE, QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN DISTRICT AFFAIRS:

FIRST SESSION:

You are hereby notified to meet at Raymond High School Cafetorium in said District, on Saturday, the **4th** day of **February, 2023 at 10:00 AM in the morning**. This session shall consist of explanation, discussion, and deliberation of the warrant articles numbered **2** through **6**. The warrant articles may be amended subject to the following limitations: (a) warrant articles whose wording is prescribed by law shall not be amended, (b) warrant articles that are amended shall be placed on the official ballot for a final vote on the main motion as amended, and (c) no warrant article shall be amended to eliminate the subject matter of the article.

SECOND SESSION:

Voting Session to act on all Warrant Articles as amended, including the proposed budget, as a result of the action of the "FIRST SESSION" will be held Tuesday, March 14th, 2023 at the Iber Holmes Gove Middle School Gymnasium. Polls will be open from 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM.

1. Article 1, Election of Officers

To choose the following School District Officers:

- a.) To choose one School Board Member for the ensuing one year.
- b.) To choose one School Board Member for the ensuing three years.

2. Shall the 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 \$28,691,058 (twenty eight million, six hundred ninety one thousand, fifty eight dollars)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$28,384,855 (twenty eight million, three hundred eighty four thousand, eight hundred fifty five dollars) which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Raymond 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. (This article does not include appropriations proposed under any other warrant article.)

(Recommended by the School Board: Yes - 5; No - 0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee: Yes - 4; No - 2)

(The estimated tax impact of passing this article is an increase of \$1.46 per \$1000 assessment.

The estimated tax impact of not passing this article is an increase of \$1.23 per \$1000 assessment.)

3. Shall the School District vote to approve the cost items included in the new amendment to the 2022-2025 collective bargaining agreement reached between the Raymond School District and the Raymond Education Association, which calls for the following increases in salaries and

benefits at the current staffing levels over the amount paid in the prior fiscal year that are in addition to the increases per the unamended 2022-2025 agreement:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Estimated Increase</u>
2022-2023	\$23,695
2023-2024	\$5,924
2024-2025	\$0

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,924 for the 2023-2024 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new amendment to the 2022-2025 agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels in 2022-2023 per the amended 2022-2025 agreement. The School Board recommends this article.

(Note: No further appropriation is necessary to fund the estimated increase for 2022-2023 because the appropriations approved at the 2022 annual meeting are sufficient to fund the estimated increase for 2022-2023.)

(Recommended by the School Board: Yes - 3; No - 0; 1 - Abstain)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee: Yes - 6; No - 0)

(The estimated tax impact of passing this article is an increase of \$0.004 per \$1000 assessment.)

4. Shall the School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$453,750 (in total) so that the following amounts can be added to the following previously established Capital Reserve Funds in order to implement the School District's 2023-2024 Capital Improvement Program?

Raymond School District Equipment, Facilities Maintenance and Replacement Capital Reserve Fund (established in 2006) _____	\$ 223,989
Technology Capital Reserve Fund (established in 2001) _____	\$ 191,290
Food Service Equipment Capital Reserve Fund (established in 2006) _ _	\$ 38,471
Total	\$ 453,750

(Recommended by the School Board: Yes - 3; No - 0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee: Yes - 5; No - 1)

(The estimated tax impact of passing this article is an increase of \$0.03 per \$1000 assessment.)

5. Shall the School District vote to raise and appropriate up to \$400,000 (four hundred thousand dollars) to be placed in the existing Equipment, Facilities Maintenance and Replacement Capital Reserve Fund (established in 2006), this sum to come from June 30 fund balance available for transfer on July 1? No amount to be raised by additional taxation.

(Recommended by the School Board: Yes - 3; No - 0)

(Recommended by the Budget Committee: Yes - 6; No - 0)

(No additional tax impact.)

6. Shall the School District vote to authorize the School Board to lease a portion of the Raymond High School to the Town of Raymond for a ten year period for location of Raymond Community Television the public education and government access cable service for Town of Raymond and the School District?

(Recommended by the School Board: Yes - 5; No - 0)

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**Please Note: All of the above articles as amended, will be inserted on the "Official Ballot" to be voted on Tuesday, March 14th, 2023, at the so-called "Second Session."**

**THERE WILL BE NO EXPLANATION, DISCUSSION, OR DEBATE ON ANY WARRANT ARTICLE AT THE "SECOND SESSION," AND NO ARTICLE MAY BE AMENDED.**

Approved by the Raymond School Board on January 18, 2023 at its meeting on that date:

RAYMOND SCHOOL BOARD

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John Harmon, Chairperson

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Joseph Saulnier

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Date

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Cindy Bennett

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Anthony Clements

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Stephen Scarfo

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