

**NOTICE OF SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING
OF THE VOTERS OF THE
LAFAYETTE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE LAFAYETTE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that pursuant to a Resolution adopted by the Board of Education of the District on March 27, 2024, a public hearing and an annual meeting of the qualified voters will be held at said school district located at the 3122 Route 11 LaFayette, New York. The public hearing of qualified voters will be held on May 8, 2023 at the Jr. Sr. High Library at 5:30 P.M. prevailing time, for the purpose of reviewing the propositions. The annual meeting of the qualified voters will be held on May 21, 2024 in the main foyer between the hours of 1:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. prevailing time, for the purpose of voting upon the following propositions:

PROPOSITION I

(Budget)

Shall the proposed budget of \$24,195,663 for the LaFayette Central School District, as recommended by the Board of Education for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, be adopted, and shall the Board of Education be authorized to levy the necessary taxes thereon?

PROPOSITION II

(Transportation)

Shall the Board of Education of the LaFayette Central School District be authorized to purchase and finance three (3) 66-passenger school buses, including necessary furnishings, fixtures and equipment and all other costs incidental thereto, and expend a total sum not to exceed \$556,000, which is estimated to be the total maximum cost thereof, and said amount, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of said School District and collected in annual installments as provided by Section 416 of the Education Law; and, in anticipation of such tax, obligations of said School District, in the principal amount not to exceed \$556,000, shall be issued.

PROPOSITION III

(Capital Reserve - Construction)

Shall the Board of Education be authorized to establish a capital reserve fund with a ten (10) year probable term pursuant to Section 3651 of the Education Law in an amount not to exceed \$5,000,000, inclusive of investment earnings, to be used for renovations and additions to all District facilities, including purchase of equipment, technology upgrades, classroom equipment and/or school infrastructure equipment, site development, athletic field and playground improvements, storm and sanitary sewer, driveways, and parking lots, such reserve fund to be funded from: (i) year-end budget surplus funds known as unassigned fund balance, as available, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024 and each fiscal year thereafter for the term of the reserve fund, (ii) transfers of excess monies from Board of Education designated reserves, (iii) amounts from budgetary appropriations from time to time, (iv) New York State Aid received and made available by the Board of Education from time to time, and (v) other legally available sources, all as permitted by law.

PROPOSITION IV
(Capital Reserve - Vehicles)

Shall the Board of Education be authorized to establish a capital reserve fund with a ten (10) year probable term pursuant to Section 3651 of the Education Law in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000, inclusive of investment earnings, to be used for the acquisition of vehicles, such reserve fund to be funded from: (i) year-end budget surplus funds known as unassigned fund balance, as available, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024 and each fiscal year thereafter for the term of the reserve fund, (ii) transfers of excess monies from Board of Education designated reserves, (iii) amounts from budgetary appropriations from time to time, (iv) New York State Aid received and made available by the Board of Education from time to time, and (v) other legally available sources, all as permitted by law.

PROPOSITION V
(Ex-Officio Student Board of Education Member)

Shall a high school senior student be designated to serve as an ex-officio member of the Board of Education, and thereby be entitled to sit with the Board members at all its public meetings, and participate therein, but without authority to vote on matters before the Board or to attend executive sessions?

PROPOSITION VI
(Board of Education Candidates)

To elect two (2) members to the Board of Education for 3-year terms (7/1/2024–6/30/27). The seats are presently held by Ronald Shawn Reyburn and Sarah Stanton.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that voting upon the foregoing Propositions will be by voting machine or paper ballot and will take place on May 21, 2024, at 3122 Route 11 LaFayette, New York, between the hours of 1:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M prevailing time.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the public hearing on the proposed budget will be held at LaFayette Jr/Sr High School Library at 5:30 p.m. on May 8, 2024

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that copies of the proposed budget may be obtained at any district school house during the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. on each day other than a Saturday, Sunday or holiday during the 14 days preceding the date of the annual meeting and election and on the day of the election.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that petitions for nominating candidates for office of school board member must be filed in the District Clerk's Office between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. no later than April 22, 2024.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that qualified voters of the District may obtain applications for an absentee ballot or an early voting ballot from the office of the Clerk of the District. Completed applications must be received by the Clerk of the District no later than 4:00 p.m. on May 20, 2024, and must be received no later than 4:00 p.m. on May 14, 2024, if the absentee ballot or an early voting ballot is to be mailed to the voter. Completed applications received after 4:00 p.m. on May 14, 2024, will require the voter to personally appear at the office of the Clerk of the District to receive an absentee ballot or an early voting ballot. A listing of all persons to whom an absentee ballot or an early voting ballot is issued will be available for inspection by any qualified voter in the office of the Clerk of the District between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. during each of the five business days prior to the election.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that military ballots may be applied for by qualified voters by requesting an application from the District Clerk at 315-677-9728 or phibbert@lafayetteschools.org. Completed applications for military ballots must be received by the Clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. on April 25, 2024. In a request for a military ballot application or ballot, the military voter may indicate their preference for receiving the application or ballot by mail, facsimile transmission or electronic mail.

DATED: March 27, 2024

**BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
LAFAYETTE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**