



**FINAL FOR THE MARCH BALLOT**  
**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
**WINCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT, SAU #94**  
**WARRANT FOR 2023-2024**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Winchester, in the County of Cheshire, and the state of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in School District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Winchester Elementary School Gymnasium at 12:15 PM on Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023, to consider the following articles in deliberative session, pursuant to RSA 40:13.

The official voting of the business of the School District as determined at the deliberative session and the election of School District Officers will be held at the Winchester Elementary School Gymnasium on Tuesday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023, with the polls open between 8:00 AM and 7:00 PM.

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**Article 01     Elect Board Members/Officers**

ARTICLE ONE:

To elect two (2) members to the Winchester School Board for a three (3) year term each  
Jacob Blake  
Karen Vaine Jerome  
David Olmstead

To elect one (1) member as the Winchester School District Moderator for a two (2) year term  
Kevan Whippie

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**Article 02     Raise & Appropriate Funds**

ARTICLE TWO: Shall the Winchester School District raise and appropriate as an operating budget for the 2023-2024 school year, 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 **\$13,089,941.00**. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be **\$13,250,829.00** which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Winchester 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?

- The School Board does recommend this appropriation - 5-0
- The Budget Committee does recommend this appropriation - 4-0



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**Article 03 Teachers Collective Bargaining Agreement**

ARTICLE THREE: Shall the Winchester School District vote to approve the cost items included in the two-year collective bargaining agreement reached between the Winchester School Board and the Winchester's Teachers Association, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing?

The estimated increase in the costs for salaries and benefits under the collective bargaining agreement are as follows:

**Year #1 2023-2024**  
Wages: \$58,600.00  
Benefits: \$15,992.00  
Total: **\$74,592.00**

**Year #2 2024-2025**  
Wages: \$57,300.00  
Benefits: \$15,637.00  
Total: **\$72,937.00**

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$74,592.00** for the **upcoming fiscal year 2023-2024**, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the costs for salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels in accordance with the most recent collective bargaining agreement?

- The School Board does recommend this appropriation - 5-0
- The Budget Committee does recommend this appropriation - 4-0

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**Article 04 Special Meeting for Teachers CBA**

ARTICLE FOUR: Shall the Winchester School District, if article #3 is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address article #3 only? (Majority vote)

- The School Board does recommend this appropriation - 5-0

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**Article 05 Add funds to Building Improvement Capital Reserve**

ARTICLE FIVE: Shall the Winchester School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$125,000.00** to be placed in the Building Improvements Capital Reserve Fund previously established? (Majority vote required)

- The School Board does recommend this appropriation - 5-0
- The Budget Committee does recommend this appropriation - 4-0



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**Article 06      Add funds to Special Education Expendable Trust**

ARTICLE SIX: Shall the Winchester School District vote to raise and appropriate up to **\$25,000.00** to be placed in the Special Education Expendable Trust Fund, with such amount to be funded from the June 30, 2023, Unreserved Fund Balance available for transfer on July 1, 2023?

- The School Board does recommend this appropriation - 5-0
- The Budget Committee does recommend this appropriation - 4-0

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**Article 07      Winchester School Board Stipends**

ARTICLE SEVEN: To see if the Winchester School District will vote to set School board Stipends at \$1,000 per member and \$1,200 for the chair, until modified or rescinded by the district and to raise and appropriate the sum of the \$5,200.00, plus required taxes of \$398.00, for the purpose of School board stipends for the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

This special article is a special warrant article per RSA 32:3 VI (d) (Majority vote required)

- The School Board does recommend this appropriation - 4-0
- The Budget Committee does recommend this appropriation - 3-1

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**Article 08      Receive Reports**

ARTICLE EIGHT: Shall the Winchester School District receive the reports of its agents, auditors, committees and officers?

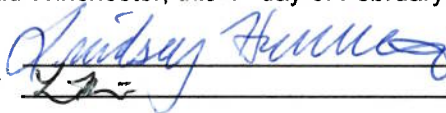
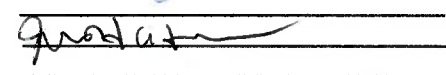
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**Article 09      Other Business**

ARTICLE NINE: Shall the Winchester School District vote to transact any other business as may lawfully come before the meeting?

Given under our hands at said Winchester, this 4<sup>th</sup> day of February 2023

Lindsey Hildreth, Chair  
Lindseigh Picard, Vice Chair  
James Rokes, Member  
Joni Hadler, Member  
Jacob Blake, Member

  
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