

**DEPEW UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
NOTICE OF ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the annual meeting and election of the Depew Union Free School District, Erie County, New York, will be conducted on Tuesday, June 9, 2020 in accordance with Executive Order 202.26 by absentee ballot, for the purpose of voting on the budget proposition for the 2020-2021 fiscal year, the Vehicle and Equipment Reserve Fund, 2016 proposition, and electing two (2) members to serve on the Board of Education.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a public hearing for the voters of the District on the 2020-2021 budget will be held through video conference on Wednesday May 27, 2020, at 9:00 AM through Google Meet platform. Voters may access the public hearing and submit questions through a link provided on the District's website at www.depewschools.org.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Board of Education of this District will have prepared and completed a detailed statement in writing of the amount of money which will be required during the 2020-2021 fiscal year for school purposes, specifying the several purposes and the amount for each. The amount for each purpose estimated necessary for payments to Boards of Cooperative Educational Services shall be shown in full, with no deduction of estimated state aid. The amount of state aid provided and its percentage relationship to the total expenditures shall also be shown. Such statement will be available beginning on May 26, 2020. Such statement may be obtained on the District's website at www.depewschools.org.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that in lieu of petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education, self-nominations shall be filed with the Clerk of said School District by completing a Board of Education Self-Nomination Candidate Petition that is available on the District's website at www.depewschools.org. Each Petition must be filed in the office of the District Clerk, Jessica Neischel, at jneischel@depewschools.org by scan (or photo, if necessary) no later than May 11, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. This form may also be mailed to Ms. Neischel at 5201 South Transit Road, Depew, New York 14043 and so long as it is received by May 11th, it will be considered. The two candidates who receive the highest number of votes will fill the expired terms of the two incumbents and will serve on the Board of Education for three-year terms to commence on July 1, 2020 and expire June 30, 2023.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Annual Meeting and Election will consist of voting on the following propositions, as well as other such matters as may be lawfully presented at the meeting:

PROPOSITION NO. 1

2020-2021 BUDGET

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to wit:

RESOLVED, that the budget for the Depew Union Free School District, Erie County, New York, for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2020, and ending June 30, 2021 as presented by the Board of Education, is hereby approved and adopted and the required funds therefore are hereby appropriated and the necessary real property taxes required shall be raised by a tax on the taxable property in said District to be levied and collected as required by law.

PROPOSITION NO. 2

EXPENDITURE FROM VEHICLE PURCHASE RESERVE FUND

Shall the Board of Education of the Depew Union Free School District ("District") be authorized to expend One hundred forty six thousand eight hundred and forty four (\$146,844) from the District's Vehicle and Equipment Reserve Fund, 2016 to fund the purchase price of one (1) 48 passenger bus to be used in the transportation program of the District?

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that in accordance with Executive Order 202.26 every qualified voter in the District will be mailed an absentee ballot with a postage pre-paid return envelope. Completed absentee ballots must be received by the office of the District Clerk **no later than 5:00 PM on June 9, 2020.**

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a list of persons to whom absentee ballots are issued will be available for inspection by any qualified voter of the District by contacting the District Clerk, Jessica Neischel, at jneischel@depewschools.org five days prior to the day of the election or on the day of the annual meeting and election.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE AND FURTHER NOTICE IS GIVEN, that military voters who are qualified voters of the District may submit an application for a military ballot by emailing a request to the District Clerk at jneischel@depewschools.org; in order to receive a military ballot, the military ballot application must be received no later than 5:00 pm on May 14, 2020. In the request for an application for a military ballot, the military voter is permitted to designate his/her preference for receiving the application for a military ballot, and the military ballot, by mail, facsimile transmission or electronic mail. All qualified military voters' ballot application and military ballot must be returned by mail or in person. Ballots for military voters shall be distributed to qualified military voters no later than May 15, 2020. Military ballots must be received (1) by the District Clerk not later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 9, 2020, and must show a cancellation mark of the United States postal service or a foreign country's postal service, or must show a dated endorsement of receipt by another agency of the United States Government; or (2) not later than 5:00 pm on Tuesday, June 9, 2020, and be signed and dated by the military voter and one witness, with a date ascertained to be not later than the day before the election.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that voting machines will be used to record the vote on the budget proposition, the vehicle purchase reserve fund proposition, and the election of two members to serve on the Board of Education.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Board of Education of this District has adopted Rules for the Use of Voting Machines and the Submission of Questions or Propositions to be placed thereon, and may be obtained on the District's website at www.depewschools.org.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Jessica L. Neischel, District Clerk

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