

HOOKSETT SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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

First Session of Annual Meeting – Deliberative

You are hereby notified to meet at the David R. Cawley Middle School, 89 Whitehall Road, in said District, on the 3rd day of February 2024, 1:00 p.m. This session shall consist of explanation, discussion, and debate of warrant articles number 2 through 7. 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 of Annual Meeting – Voting

Voting on warrant articles number 1 through 7 shall be conducted by official ballot to be held on the 12th day of March 2024. Polls will be open from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the David R. Cawley Middle School.

1. To choose the following school district officers:

a)	Two School Board Members	3-year term
b)	One School Board Member	1-year term
c)	School District Moderator	2-year term
d)	School District Clerk	2-year term
e)	School District Treasurer	2-year term

2. Shall the Hooksett 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 \$40,672,137? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$40,846,130, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Hooksett 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. Estimated tax rate: \$9.06 (increase of \$.57 over prior year). (Not Recommended by the School Board 0-5) (Not Recommended by the Budget Committee 3-4)

3. Shall the Hooksett School District approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Hooksett School Board and the Hooksett Education Support Professionals Association, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level over those paid in the prior fiscal year:

Year	Estimated Increase
2024-2025	\$171,912
2025-2026	\$ 76,647
2026-2027	\$ 76,647

and further to raise and appropriate \$171,912 for the 2024 – 2025 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels? Estimated tax rate impact is \$.05. (Recommended by the School Board 6-0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 9-1)

4. Shall the Hooksett School District authorize the School Board to enter into a multi-year (15 year) lease purchase agreement in the amount of \$0.00 for the purpose of replacing the Memorial, Cawley and Underhill Schools’ ventilation systems as well as upgrading existing energy management system controls and installing high efficiency boilers at each of the schools and completing roof replacements at both the Memorial and Cawley Schools; and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$0.00 for the first year’s payment for that purpose? This lease agreement will contain an escape (non-appropriation) clause. Future payments on the lease will be offset by potential energy savings and a reduction in fuel utility costs for the district. Estimated tax rate impact is \$.00. (Majority vote required) (Not Recommended by the School Board 1-4) (Not Recommended by the Budget Committee 2-5)
5. Shall the Hooksett School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000 to be added to the Technology Expendable Trust Fund previously established in March 2008? Estimated tax rate impact is \$.03. (Recommended by the School Board 6-0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 7-3)
6. Shall the Hooksett School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to \$150,000 to be added to the Special Education Expendable Trust Fund previously established in March of 2001? This sum to come from June 30, 2024 fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2024. No amount to be raised from additional taxation. Estimated tax rate impact is \$0.00. (Recommended by the School Board 6-0) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 9-1)
7. Shall the Hooksett School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to \$100,000 to be added to the Building Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund previously established in March 2020? This sum to come from June 30, 2024 fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2024. No amount to be raised from additional taxation. Estimated tax rate impact is \$0.00. (Recommended by the School Board 4-2) (Recommended by the Budget Committee 10-0)

Given under our hands and seal at said Hooksett, New Hampshire, this ____ day January, 2024.

SCHOOL BOARD OF HOOKSETT, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Wayne Goertel, Chair

Jillian Godbout, Vice Chair

Amy Tremblay, Clerk

Evelyn Baker

Jason Hyde

James Sullivan

Vanessa Gelinas

A True copy of the Hooksett School District Warrant – Attest

I/We certify and attest that on the _____ day of _____, 20____, a true and attested copy of the Hooksett School District Warrant was posted at the Hooksett Town Hall, Hooksett Library, Fred C. Underhill School, Hooksett Memorial School and David R. Cawley Middle School in Merrimack County.

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