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Voting Information

BUUSD Annual Meeting
Monday, March 6, 2023 (6 PM)

Spaulding High School Library

Voting Day
Tuesday, March 7, 2023 (7 AM to 7 PM)

- Barre City residents vote at the Barre Municipal Auditorium
- Barre Town residents vote at Barre Town Middle & Elementary School

Register

There is no deadline to register to vote. You can register ahead of time or at the polls on March 7.

Vote By Mail

Voting by mail is a great option. You can request a ballot to be mailed to you through the City or Town Clerk or the My Voter Page online at mvp.vermont.gov

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**BARRE
UNIFIED UNION
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

120 AYERS STREET - BARRE, VT 05641

On January 18, 2023, the Barre Unified Union School District Board warned a budget of **\$53,963,133** for fiscal year 2024. This represents an **increase of 1.5%** in the general fund expenses. This includes \$6,000,000 in grant funding.

Understanding The Ballot When You Vote

\$53,963,133 includes approximately \$6,000,000 of grant funding. This funding operates two elementary and middle schools, a high school, an alternative school, and a central office. This funding also supports approximately 2,200 students.

BALLOT

Shall the voters of the Barre Unified Union School District approve the school board to expend **\$53,963,133**, which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$17,228 **per equalized pupil**. This projected spending per equalized pupil is **6% higher** than spending for the current year.

When calculating spending per student, Vermont uses "equalized pupils" rather than an actual headcount. The formula gives less weight to pre-kindergarten pupils and extra weight to students in secondary schools, those from economically deprived backgrounds, and those whose first language is not English. The principle behind the weighting is that it costs more to educate students in certain categories.

Your educational taxes are **not** going up 6%. The percentage increase in spending per student from FY23 is 6%.

Income Sensitivity

Barre households with incomes lower than **\$134,800** a year that meet eligibility requirements may qualify for a property tax credit. (This appears as "education state payment" on your property tax bill). The tax bill excerpt below does not include any property tax credit adjustment. Your property tax bill will be lower if you qualify for this adjustment.

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Difference from FY23 to FY24

	FY23	FY24
Barre City Tax Rate (+\$.03)	\$1.318	\$1.344
Barre Town Tax Rate (-\$.01)	\$1.176	\$1.161

Tax Bill Excerpt

BARRE CITY

HOUSESITE VALUE: 100,000

EDUCATION TAXES				
TAX RATE NAME	TAX RATE	X	GRAND LIST	= TAXES
HOMESTEAD EDUCATION	1.3449		x1,000.00=	1,344.90

BARRE TOWN

HOUSESITE VALUE: 100,000

EDUCATION TAXES				
TAX RATE NAME	TAX RATE	X	GRAND LIST	= TAXES
HOMESTEAD EDUCATION	1.1612		x1,000.00=	1,161.20

How Would This Proposed Budget Affect You?

Property Value	FY 2023 Taxes Current Year		FY 2024 Taxes Proposed Budget		Annual Difference	
\$100,000	\$1,318	\$1,176	\$1,345	\$1,161	+\$27	-\$15
\$150,000	\$1,977	\$1,764	\$2,017	\$1,742	+\$40	-\$23
\$200,000	\$2,636	\$2,352	\$2,690	\$2,322	+\$54	-\$30
\$250,000	\$3,295	\$2,940	\$3,362	\$2,903	+\$67	-\$38
\$300,000	\$3,954	\$3,528	\$4,035	\$3,483	+\$81	-\$45
\$350,000	\$4,613	\$4,116	\$4,707	\$4,064	+\$94	-\$53
\$400,000	\$5,272	\$4,704	\$5,380	\$4,644	+\$108	-\$60

Barre City = Barre Town =

The figures listed in these charts represent VT educational taxes.