

**LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON
PROPOSED ADOPTION OF VOLUNTEER FIRE/EMT EXEMPTION, DISABLED
LOW INCOME EXEMPTION, SENIOR EXEMPTIONS INCOME LIMITS AND THE
OPT-OUT of SOLAR and BUSINESS INVESTMENT EXEMPTIONS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Education of the Chester Union Free School District shall hold a public hearing on the 14th day of February, 2024, at 7:00 P.M., at the Chester Academy, Chester, New York, for the purpose of discussion of the Board of Education adopting the Volunteer Fire and Ambulance Property Tax Exemption pursuant to §466-a, The Disabled/Low income exemption pursuant to §459-c, Senior Citizen exemption income limits pursuant to §467 and the opt-out of Solar pursuant to §487 and Business Investment exemptions pursuant to §485-b of the Real Property Tax Law for assessment rolls prepared on the basis of the taxable status dates occurring on or after March 1, 2024.

The following are the components of the exemptions:

Volunteer Fire and Ambulance Property Tax Exemption:

- **Basic Exemption:** Tax exemption of 10% of the assessed value of the property after two years of service.
- **Option 1:** To make the exemption permanent after 20 years.
- **Option 2:** To extend the permanent exemption to surviving un-remarried spouses.
- **Option 3:** To extend the permanent exemption to surviving un-remarried spouses if the member dies in the line of service after 5 years.

Disabled / Low Income Exemption:

- **Basic Exemption:** Partial tax exemption of 5% to 50% of the assessed value depending on the NYS income scale.

Senior Citizens exemption:

- **Basic Exemption:** Partial tax exemption of 5% to 50% of the assessed value depending on the NYS income scale.

DATED: February 7, 2024

LINDSAY IANNUZZI, DISTRICT CLERK