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OFFICIAL BALLOT
MONADNOCK REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANNUAL ELECTION
MARCH 11, 2025
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Lillian Sutton
SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this: ⬬
B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.
C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.

FOR DISTRICT MODERATOR

One Year Term — Vote for not more than ONE

BILL HUTWELKER ⬭

(Write-in) ⬭

FOR SCHOOL BOARD

Three Year Term — Vote for not more than ONE

JENNIFER CAROLINE STRIMBECK ⬭

(Write-in) ⬭

ARTICLES

ARTICLE ONE: Shall the Monadnock Regional School District raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, totaling $36,000,000 ($970,000 is required for federal grants and nutrition grants that are funded by separate State and Federal revenues)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget will be $38,819,434 ($970,000 is required for federal grants and nutrition grants that are funded by separate State and Federal revenues) which is the same as last year with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Monadnock Regional School District 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 not support this article. The Budget Committee does not support this article.** (Majority vote required.)

YES ⬭
NO ⬭

ARTICLE TWO: To see if the Monadnock Regional School District will vote to approve the cost items included in the 3-year Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Monadnock Regional School Board and the Monadnock District Educators Association of SAU 93 for the following increases in wages and benefits at the current staffing level. The estimated increase in the costs for wages and benefits under the collective bargaining agreement are as follows:

Year	Estimated Increase
2025/26	$524,604 - Salaries
	$141,118 - Wage associated costs
	$ 59,500 - Increases in various stipends and professional development
	$725,222
2026/27	$365,602 - Salaries
	$ 98,273 - Wage associated costs
	$463,875
2027/28	$362,333 - Salaries
	$ 97,395 - Wage associated costs
	$459,728

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of $725,222 for the 2025-26 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional cost attributable to the increase in wage and benefits over those of the appropriation at the current staffing level paid in the 2024-25 year. **The School Board supports this article. The Budget Committee supports this article.** (Majority vote required)

YES ⬭
NO ⬭

SAMPLE

VOTE BOTH SIDES OF BALLOT

ARTICLES CONTINUED

ARTICLE THREE: To see if the Monadnock Regional School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $120,000 to renovate a portion of the roof at the Monadnock Regional Middle High School. This is a Special Warrant Article in accordance with RSA 32:3 VI. This will be a non-lapsing warrant article per RSA 32:7 VI and will not lapse until the renovation projects are complete, or June 30, 2028, whichever is earlier. **The School Board supports this article. The Budget Committee supports this article.** (Majority vote required)

YES ○
NO ○

ARTICLE FOUR: To see if the Monadnock Regional School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1 to be added to the Special Education Expendable Trust Fund previously established. This sum is to come from the June 30, 2025 unassigned fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2025. No new amount will be raised from taxation. **The School Board supports this article. The Budget Committee supports this article.** (Majority vote required)

YES ○
NO ○

ARTICLE FIVE: To see if the Monadnock Regional School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $25,000 to be added to the District Vehicle Expendable Trust Fund previously established. This sum is to come from the June 30, 2025 unassigned fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2025. If there is an insufficient, unassigned fund balance as of June 30, 2025, to fund this appropriation and the appropriation in Article Four, then Article Four will be funded first, with any additional unassigned fund balance to be applied to this warrant article. No new amount will be raised from taxation. **The School Board supports this article. The Budget Committee supports this article.** (Majority vote required)

YES ○
NO ○

ARTICLE SIX: To see if the Monadnock Regional School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $100,000 to be added to the School Grounds Expendable Trust Fund previously established. This sum is to come from the June 30, 2025 unassigned fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2025. If there is an insufficient, unassigned fund balance as of June 30, 2025, to fund this appropriation and the appropriations in Articles Four and Five, Four and Five will be funded first, with any additional unassigned fund balance to be applied to this warrant article. No new amount will be raised from taxation. **The School Board supports this article. The Budget Committee supports this article.** (Majority vote required)

YES ○
NO ○

ARTICLE SEVEN: To see if the Monadnock Regional School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **$1** to be added to the School Bldg. Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund previously established. This sum is to come from the June 30, 2025 unassigned fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2025. If there is an insufficient, unassigned fund balance as of June 30, 2025, to fund this appropriation and the appropriations in Articles Four, Five, and Six, then Four, Five, and Six will be funded first, with any additional unassigned fund balance to be applied to this warrant article. No new amount will be raised from taxation. **The School Board supports this article. The Budget Committee supports this article.** (Majority vote required)

YES ○
NO ○

ARTICLE EIGHT: To see if the Monadnock Regional School District will vote to authorize the School Board to convey the parcel of land with the buildings thereon located at 31 South Winchester Street in West Swanzey, as identified on the Town of Swanzey's tax records as Tax Map 109, Lot 22 (current location of the Cutler School), and to further authorize the School Board to take such additional action as necessary to facilitate and/or consummate such conveyance, including securing the necessary approvals and the execution of any documents necessary or attendant thereto. **The School Board supports this article. The Budget Committee supports this article.** (Majority vote required)

YES ○
NO ○

ARTICLE NINE: Shall the Monadnock Regional School District receive and approve the reports of the agents, auditors, committees, and officers chosen as printed and distributed in the Annual Report? (Majority vote required)

YES ○
NO ○

SAMPLE

VOTE BOTH SIDES OF BALLOT