

**WARRANT TO CALL
REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT NO. 22 BUDGET MEETING
(20-A M.R.S. § 1485)**

TO: Marie McCaw, a resident of Regional School Unit No. 22 (the “Regional School Unit”) composed of the Towns of Hampden, Newburgh, Winterport, and Frankfort, State of Maine.

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify the voters of each of the municipalities within the Regional School Unit, namely, the Towns of Hampden, Newburgh, Winterport, and Frankfort, that a Regional School Unit Budget Meeting will be held at the Hampden Academy Performing Arts Center, 89 Western Avenue, Hampden, Maine at 7:00 p.m. on July 10, 2024 for the purpose of determining the Budget Meeting Articles set forth below.

ARTICLE 1A: To elect a moderator to preside at the meeting.

ARTICLES 1 THROUGH 11
AUTHORIZE EXPENDITURES IN COST CENTER CATEGORIES

ARTICLE 1: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Regular Instruction.
School Board Recommends \$13,765,493.10

ARTICLE 2: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Special Education.
School Board Recommends \$8,488,219.85

ARTICLE 3: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Career and Technical Education.
School Board Recommends \$0.00

ARTICLE 4: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Other Instruction.
School Board Recommends \$1,106,123.09

ARTICLE 5: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Student and Staff Support.
School Board Recommends \$3,896,772.21

ARTICLE 6: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for System Administration.
School Board Recommends \$998,996.91

ARTICLE 7: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for School Administration.
School Board Recommends \$1,797,676.64

- ARTICLE 8:** To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Transportation and Buses.
School Board Recommends \$1,677,759.51
- ARTICLE 9:** To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Facilities Maintenance.
School Board Recommends \$4,289,717.38
- ARTICLE 10:** To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Debt Service and Other Commitments.
School Board Recommends \$2,994,022.58
- ARTICLE 11:** To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for All Other Expenditures.
School Board Recommends \$0.00

ARTICLES 12 THROUGH 14
RAISE FUNDS FOR THE PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET

- ARTICLE 12:** To see what sum the Regional School Unit will appropriate for the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and to see what sum the Regional School Unit will raise and assess as each municipality's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15688.
Recommended amounts set forth below:

Total Appropriated (by municipality):		Total Raised (and Regional School Unit assessments by municipality):	
Town of Frankfort	\$ 2,328,201.55	Town of Frankfort	\$ 709,333.00
Town of Hampden	\$ 17,482,631.69	Town of Hampden	\$ 5,431,710.00
Town of Newburgh	\$ 3,308,393.89	Town of Newburgh	\$ 982,187.34
Town of Winterport	\$ 7,572,533.83	Town of Winterport	\$ 2,161,540.34
Total Appropriated (sum of above)	\$ 30,691,760.96	Total Raised (sum of above)	\$ 9,284,770.68

Explanation: The Regional School Unit's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act is the amount of money determined by state law to be the minimum amount that the Regional School Unit must raise and assess in order to receive the full amount of state dollars.

ARTICLE 13: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will raise and appropriate for the annual payments on debt service previously approved by the Regional School Unit voters for non-state-funded school construction projects or non-state-funded portions of school construction projects in addition to the funds appropriated as the local share of the Regional School Unit's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12.
School Board Recommends \$277,435.42

Explanation: Non-state-funded debt service is the amount of money needed for the annual payments on the Regional School Unit's long-term debt for major capital school construction projects that are not approved for state subsidy. The bonding of this long-term debt was previously approved by the Regional School Unit voters.

ARTICLE 14: **(Written ballot required.)** To see what sum the Regional School Unit will raise and appropriate in additional local funds (**Recommend \$4,205,222.34**), which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by (**Recommend \$4,205,222.34**) as required to fund the budget recommended by the School Board.

The School Board Recommends \$4,205,222.34, which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by \$4,205,222.34. The School Board gives the following reasons for exceeding the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model: EPS does not fully support all of the necessary costs of a comprehensive pre-K-12 educational program, such as (1) athletics/co-curricular program costs; (2) transportation for the athletics/co-curricular program; and (3) special education costs.

Explanation: The additional local funds are those locally raised funds over and above the Regional School Unit's local contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and local amounts raised for the annual payment on non-state funded debt service that will help achieve the Regional School Unit budget for educational programs.

ARTICLE 15 SUMMARIZES THE PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET

ARTICLE 15: To see what sum the Regional School Unit will authorize the School Board to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025 from the Regional School Unit's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, local funds for non-state-funded school construction debt service, additional local funds for school purposes under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15690, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, state subsidy, and other receipts for the support of schools.
School Board Recommends \$39,014,781.27

Given under our hand this day, June 26, 2024 at Hampden, Maine.

Chris Sabers
Tate Anderson
Stacy Hooke
Wm. H. H.
Wm. H. H.
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Wm. H. H.

Shelly Saugat
J. Little
Jessie B.
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A majority of the School Board of Regional School Unit No. 22

A true copy of the Warrant, attest:

Marie McCaw

Marie McCaw, Resident
Regional School Unit No. 22