

HOLLIS/BROOKLINE COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT
WARRANT
The State of New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the Hollis/Brookline Cooperative School District in the Towns of Hollis and Brookline in the County of Hillsborough, State of New Hampshire qualified to vote in District Affairs.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED TO MEET AT THE HOLLIS BROOKLINE HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM IN SAID DISTRICT ON THE **NINETEENTH DAY OF MARCH, 2026** AT SIX THIRTY IN THE EVENING TO ACT UPON THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS.

Article 1. Shall the District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$1,230,494** as the Hollis Brookline Cooperative School District's portion of the SAU budget of **\$2,560,328** for the forthcoming fiscal year? This year's adjusted budget of **\$2,540,642** with **\$1,221,033** assigned to the school budget of this school district will be adopted if the article does not receive a majority vote of all the school district voters voting in this school administrative unit. **The school board recommends this article X-X-X. The budget committee recommends this article X-X-X.**

Article 2. To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of **\$31,716,292** for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for the school district officials and agents and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district. This appropriation does not include appropriations voted in other warrant articles. Majority vote required. **The school board recommends this article X-X-X. The budget committee recommends this article X-X-X.**

Article 3. To see if the school district will vote to approve the cost items for the second year of a three-year collective bargaining agreement reached between the Hollis Brookline Cooperative School Board and the Hollis Education Support Staff Association for the 2025-26, 2026-27 and 2027-28 school years, which calls for the following increases in support staff salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

| Fiscal Year | Estimated Increase |
|--------------------|---------------------------|
| 2026-27 | \$131,512 |

and further to raise and appropriate a sum of **\$131,512** for the first fiscal year (2026-27 school year), such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in support staff salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels. Majority vote required. **The school board recommends this article X-X-X. The budget committee recommends this article X-X-X.**

Article 4. To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of **\$300,000** to be added to the previously established School Building and Facilities Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund. The sum to come from the Hollis Brookline Cooperative School District's June 30, 2026 unassigned fund balance, available for transfer on July 1, 2026, and no amount to be raised from taxation. Majority vote required. **The school board recommends this article X-X-X. The budget committee recommends this article X-X-X.**

Article 5. To see if the school district will vote to establish a contingency fund for the current year for unanticipated expenses that may arise and further to raise and appropriate up to **\$125,000** to go into the fund. This sum to come from the unassigned fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2026, and no amount to be raised from taxation. Any appropriation left at the end of the year will lapse to the general fund. Majority vote required. **The school board recommends this article X-X-X. The budget committee recommends this article X-X-X.**

Article 6. Shall the Hollis-Brookline Cooperative School District vote to adopt an open enrollment school program, designating the Hollis-Brookline Cooperative High School (HBHS) as open enrollment school pursuant to NH RSA 194-D, for the purpose of enabling the district to admit non-resident students to HBHS,

with one hundred percent (100%) of its eligible resident pupils permitted to attend HBHS and zero percent (0%) of its resident pupils in grades 7-12 permitted to attend open enrollment schools located outside of the District, and further, to limit the number of non-resident pupils who may attend HBHS under the provisions of RSA 194-D to no more than 5 students total, with no more than 2 non-resident students being admitted to each grade (9-12), with zero (0) non-resident students permitted to attend Hollis Brookline Cooperative Middle School. **The school board recommends this article X-X-X. The budget committee recommends this article X-X-X.**

Article 7. To see if the Cooperative School District will vote to require the Hollis Brookline School Board to prominently display current and previous year state assessment scores and state rankings on the school district website header, visible on every page, with said information to be updated within thirty (30) days of the official release of scores by the New Hampshire Department of Education. **The school board recommends the article X-X-X.**

Article 8. Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 (known as SB2) to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the Hollis Brookline Cooperative School District on the second Tuesday of March? **The school board recommends the article X-X-X. The budget committee recommends this article X-X-X.**

Article 9. Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 32:5-e, and implement a budget cap whereby the school board (or budget committee) shall not submit a recommended budget that is higher than 27,500 dollars per pupil cost times the average daily membership in residence of the school district as of October 1 of the year immediately preceding the proposed budget year plus an annual increase for inflation using CPI-U for the Boston-Cambridge-Newton MA-NH area published by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics as of October 1. Requires a 3/5ths majority of the school district. **The school board recommends the article X-X-X. The budget committee recommends this article X-X-X.**

Article 10. Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 32:5 V-b, requiring that the annual budget and all special warrant articles having a tax impact, as determined by the school board, shall contain a notation stating the estimated tax impact of the article? The determination of the estimated tax impact shall be subject to approval by the governing body. **The school board recommends the article X-X-X. The budget committee recommends this article X-X-X.**

Article 11. Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 32:5-b, and implement a tax cap whereby the governing body (or budget committee) shall not submit a recommended budget that increases the amount to be raised by local taxes (this year's base), that is higher than the prior fiscal year's actual amount of local taxes raised (last year's base), adjusted for inflation using the inflation index CPI-U for the Boston-Cambridge-Newton MA-NH area published by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics and the change in attendance, in accordance with RSA 32:5-b, I-b? **The school board recommends the article X-X-X. The budget committee recommends this article X-X-X.**

Article 12. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.