

**DOBBS FERRY UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
2026-2027 BUDGET DEVELOPMENT CALENDAR**

Tuesday, November 18, 2025	Present the 2026-2027 Budget Calendar to the BOE for adoption
Tuesday, December 16, 2025	Presentation of Budget Goals
December 25 – January 2026	Superintendent & Business Official discuss budgets with Administrators
Monday, January 26, 2026	Contact Westchester County Board of Elections for Optical Scanning Voting Machines and Technicians
Tuesday, January 27, 2026	Superintendent's 2026-27 Budget Presentation Update #1
Thursday, February 5, 2026	Post Notices on BOE agenda and district website for Nominating Petitions, Personal Registration and Private School Transportation Prepare Legal Announcement/Forward to Legal Counsel for Review Contact WCBOE for latest Inspector List
Tuesday, February 10, 2026	Superintendent's 2026-27 Budget Presentation Update #2
Friday, February 13, 2026	Prepare Nominating Petitions/ Letters to recruit Inspectors Contact Ballot Printer and Machine Mover/Order Supplies
Friday, February 27, 2026	Forward Legal Announcement to paper to be published: Dispatch 4/3, 4/17, 5/1 and 5/8; Journal 4/2, 4/16, 4/30 and 5/7 – Four times during the seven weeks Tuesday, (March 31) preceding the budget vote in two newspapers or at least 45 days prior to the budget vote if only one newspaper Nominating Petitions available
Tuesday, March 3, 2026	Superintendent's 2026-27 Budget Presentation Update #3
<b>March 12, 2026</b>	<b>Special Meeting – Finance and Facilities Committees review of Superintendent's Budget</b>
Saturday, March 21, 2026	Due date for community-initiated propositions which must be included in the notice of the annual election = (see Board Policy 1050 – 60 days prior to budget vote)
Tuesday, March 24, 2026	Superintendent's 2026-27 Budget Presentation Update #4
Thursday, April 2, 2026 Friday, April 3, 2026	Publish first of four legal notices of budget hearing and annual vote in the Journal News and Rivertowns Dispatch
Tuesday, April 14, 2026	Superintendent's 2026-27 Budget Presentation Update #5
Thursday, April 16, 2026 Friday, April 17, 2026	Publish 2nd of four legal notices of budget hearing and annual vote in the Journal News and Rivertowns Dispatch
Monday, April 20, 2026	Due date for submission of petitions for Board of Education candidates. First Candidate Statement due
Tuesday, April 21, 2026	Drawing for Name Order on Ballot for individuals running for the BOE
<b>Tuesday, April 21, 2026</b>	<b>Superintendent's Proposed Budget Presentation #6.</b> <b>Board of Education finalizes and adopts 2026-2027 Budget and Property Tax Report Card – Last day for Board propositions for the ballot.</b> <b>SWBOCES Annual Budget/trustee member vote</b>
<b>Wednesday, April 22, 2026</b>	<b>Property Tax Report Card sent to SED and Newspapers – Within 24 hours of BOE budget adoption and no later than 24 days prior to the annual meeting and</b>

Thursday, April 23, 2026	Prepare Absentee and Early Voting Ballot/Mail Ballot to Printers Letters confirming Inspectors/Chairpersons
Friday, April 24, 2026	Mail Military Ballots Mail Permanently Sick & Disabled Absentee Ballots Absentee & Early Ballots available
<b>Tuesday, April 28, 2026</b>	<b>Budget statement and required attachments available</b> – Must be available at least 7 days before budget hearing (= May 12)
Thursday, April 30, 2026 Friday, May 1, 2026	Publish 3rd of four legal notices of budget hearing and annual vote in the Rivertowns and Journal News newspapers
Tuesday, May 5, 2026	Copies of the budget must be available to residents upon requests (during the 14 days before the budget vote and on day of vote)
Thursday, May 7, 2026 Friday, May 8, 2026	Publish 4th of four legal notices of budget hearing and annual vote in the Rivertowns and Journal News newspapers
Monday, May 11, 2026	<b>Voter registration</b> – Not more than 14 days nor less than five days before the annual meeting - 3:30 PM – 7:30 PM (= 4 consecutive hours between 7:00 AM – 8:00 PM – HS Gymnasium Foyer)
<b>Tuesday, May 12, 2026</b>	<b>Public Hearing on Budget</b> – at least 7 days but no more than 14 days before the budget vote (May 12 =7 days) <b>Deadline for Absentee Ballot Applications to be received in the District Office via mail</b>
May 13, 2026	<b>Mail budget newsletter/notice to eligible voters</b> – After budget hearing but no later than six days prior to the vote (= May 13) <b>Deadline for Absentee and Early Mail Ballot Applications</b> to be received in the District Office if voter is requesting the Ballot be sent to them via US Mail.
<b>Tuesday, May 19, 2026</b>	<b>Annual meeting – Budget Vote and Trustee Election</b> – Third Tuesday in May - 7:00 AM to 9:00 PM – HS Gymnasium <b>Absentee Ballots – Due in the District Office no later than 5:00 PM</b>
<b>Weds., May 20, 2026</b>	<b>Election Certification</b> – 9:00 AM, Board Room (Special BOE meeting)