

**OYSTER RIVER COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT THE STATE
OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
2024
SCHOOL WARRANT**

To the Inhabitants of the Oyster River Cooperative School District of Durham, Lee, and Madbury qualified to vote upon District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Oyster River Middle School in said district on the 6th day of February 2024, at 7:00 o'clock in the evening for Session I of the Annual School District Meeting for discussion of Articles 3 through 7 and for any amendments thereto. Warrant articles whose wording is prescribed by law shall not be amended and no warrant article shall be amended to eliminate the subject matter of the article at Session I.

Official ballot voting for school district officers (articles 1 and 2) and on articles 3 through 6 will occur at town polling locations on Tuesday, March 12, 2024:

Town of Durham	Oyster River High School	7:00 am to 7:00 pm
Town of Lee	Lee Public Safety Complex	7:00 am to 7:00 pm
Town of Madbury	Madbury Town Hall	11:00 am to 7:00 pm

ARTICLE 1: To choose a Moderator for the coming year.

ARTICLE 2: To choose three School Board members one each for Durham, Lee and Madbury for the ensuing three years.

ARTICLE 3: Shall the District raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant article and other appropriations voted separately, the amount set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$56,248,037. Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$55,929,305 (Default Budget) which is the same as last year with certain adjustments required by previous action of the District or by law; or the District may hold one special meeting in accordance with RSA 40:13, X, and XVI to take up the issue of the revised operating budget only. *The School Board recommends this appropriation. (Majority vote required)*

Note:

Fund 10 = \$54,415,352 (regular operating budget); Fund 21 = \$1,191,685 (expenditures from food service revenues); Fund 22 = \$600,000 (expenditures from federal/special revenues); Fund 23 = \$41,000 (expenditures from pass through funds).

ARTICLE 4: Shall the District vote to approve within the provisions of New Hampshire RSA 273-A:3 the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Oyster River Intervention and Tutors Association and the Oyster River School Board which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

2024-2025	\$139,846.63
2025-2026	\$ 35,219.00
2026-2027	\$ 18,695.59


and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 139,846.63 for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increases in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels? *The School Board recommends this appropriation. (Majority vote required)*


ARTICLE 5: Shall the District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$125,000 to be added to the Facilities Development, Maintenance, and Replacement Trust which was established in March of 2017. This sum to come from June 30 fund balance available for transfer on July 1. *The School Board recommends this appropriation. (Majority vote required)* No amounts to be raised from taxation.

ARTICLE 6: Shall the District establish an Artificial Turf Field Replacement Expendable Trust Fund under the provisions of RSA 198:20-c, for replacing the District's Artificial Athletics Turf Fields, and raise and appropriate up to \$125,000 for this purpose with such amount to be funded from the year-end undesignated fund balance, and further, to name the School Board as agents to expend from the Artificial Turf Field Replacement Trust. *(Majority vote required)*

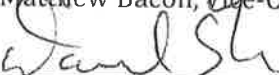
ARTICLE 7: Shall the District establish a non-lapsing Athletic Field Revolving Fund in accordance with RSA 194:3-c to be funded by receipts from the use of the District's athletic fields for the purpose of maintaining and replacing the athletic funds. Further to raise and appropriate the sum of one dollar (\$1.00). Withdrawals from the revolving fund will be made on an annual basis as needed. *(Majority vote required)*

Given under our hands at said Durham NH this 17th day of January 2024:

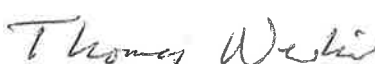

Denise Day, Chairperson

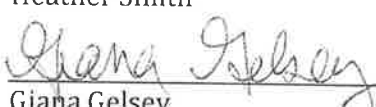

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