

STATE OF MAINE
Maine School Administrative District No. 51
District Budget Validation Referendum
Official Ballot for the Town of North Yarmouth
June 13, 2023


Chair of School Board

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS:

◆ Vote "yes" or "no" by filling in the oval ● of your choice at the left of each article.

YES

Article 1: Do you favor approving the Maine School Administrative District No. 51 budget for the upcoming school year that was adopted at the latest District budget meeting?

NO

SPECIMEN BALLOT

**WARRANT TO CALL
MAINE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT NO. 51 BUDGET MEETING
(20-A M.R.S. § 1485)**

TO: Debbie Allen Grover, a resident of Maine School Administrative District No. 51 (the "District") composed of the Towns of Cumberland and North Yarmouth, 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 District, namely, the Towns of Cumberland and North Yarmouth, that a District Budget Meeting will be held at Greeley Center for the Arts, 357 Tuttle Road, Cumberland, Maine at 7:00 p.m. on May 18, 2023 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 District will be authorized to expend for Regular Instruction.
School Board Recommends \$20,960,946.43
- ARTICLE 2:** To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Special Education.
School Board Recommends \$8,615,401.50
- ARTICLE 3:** To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Career and Technical Education.
School Board Recommends \$0.00
- ARTICLE 4:** To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Other Instruction.
School Board Recommends \$933,735.11
- ARTICLE 5:** To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Student and Staff Support.
School Board Recommends \$3,339,074.62
- ARTICLE 6:** To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for System Administration.
School Board Recommends \$1,362,828.68
- ARTICLE 7:** To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for School Administration.
School Board Recommends \$1,892,533.94

ARTICLE 8: To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Transportation and Buses.

School Board Recommends \$2,009,849.08

ARTICLE 9: To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Facilities Maintenance.

School Board Recommends \$4,966,079.09

ARTICLE 10: To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for Debt Service and Other Commitments.

School Board Recommends \$2,962,880.20

ARTICLE 11: To see what sum the District will be authorized to expend for All Other Expenditures.

School Board Recommends \$0

ARTICLES 12 THROUGH 14

RAISE FUNDS FOR THE PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET

ARTICLE 12: To see what sum the District will appropriate for the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and to see what sum the District will raise and assess as each municipality's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from 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 District assessments by municipality):	
Town of Cumberland	\$ 19,855,944.88	Town of Cumberland	\$ 10,511,921.67
Town of North Yarmouth	\$ 9,417,156.81	Town of North Yarmouth	\$ 4,160,625.33
Total Appropriated (sum of above)	\$ 29,273,101.69	Total Raised (sum of above)	\$ 14,672,547.00

Explanation: The District's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from 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 District must raise and assess in order to receive the full amount of state dollars.

ARTICLE 13: To see what sum the District will raise and appropriate for the annual payments on debt service previously approved by the District 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 District's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12.

School Board Recommends \$2,269,796.20

Explanation: Non-state-funded debt service is the amount of money needed for the annual payments on the District'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 District voters.

ARTICLE 14: (Written ballot required.) To see what sum the District will raise and appropriate in additional local funds (**Recommend \$15,306,066.76**), which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by (**Recommend \$15,306,066.76**) as required to fund the budget recommended by the School Board.

The School Board Recommends \$15,306,066.76, which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by \$15,306,066.76. The School Board gives the following reasons for exceeding the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model by \$15,306,066.76: This amount funds costs of the District's schools that are not included in the State's funding model.

Explanation: The additional local funds are those locally raised funds over and above the District's local contribution to the total cost of funding public education from 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 District budget for educational programs.

ARTICLE 15 SUMMARIZES THE PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET

ARTICLE 15: To see what sum the District will authorize the School Board to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024 from the District's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, local funds for non-state-funded school construction debt services, 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 \$47,043,328.65

**ARTICLE 16 AUTHORIZES EXPENDITURES OF
GRANTS AND OTHER RECEIPTS**

ARTICLE 16: In addition to amounts approved in the preceding articles, shall the School Board be authorized to expend such other sums as may be received from federal or state grants or programs or other sources during the fiscal year for school and other program purposes, provided that such grants, programs or other sources do not require the expenditure of other funds not previously appropriated?
School Board Recommends a “Yes” Vote.

**ARTICLE 17 AUTHORIZES A TRANSFER TO AND EXPENDITURE FROM
THE CAPITAL RESERVE FUND**

ARTICLE 17: Shall the School Board be authorized to transfer **\$2,700,000** from unallocated balances to the District’s Capital Reserve Fund for renovations and other minor capital costs and to expend **\$2,700,000** from said reserve fund for those purposes?
School Board Recommends a “Yes” Vote.

ARTICLE 18 AUTHORIZES CONTINGENCY FUND TRANSFERS

ARTICLE 18: Shall the District authorize the School Board to transfer **\$350,000** from available fund balances to the contingency fund, a non-lapsing fund pursuant to section 1482-B(3) of Title 20-A, and to expend up to **\$350,000** from that fund for contingencies not anticipated in the operating budget; and shall the District delegate authority to the School Board to expend other sums in the contingency fund when the School Board determines by public vote that an emergency need exists and delegate authority to transfer sums in the contingency fund back to the District’s general fund for use in school operating budgets approved by District voters?
School Board Recommends a “Yes” Vote.

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]

Given under our hand this day, May 1, 2023 at Cumberland, Maine.

Christina Mitchell

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Thomas M. [unclear]

James [unclear]

[Signature]

[Signature]

[Signature]

A majority of the School Board of Maine School Administrative District No. 51

A true copy of the Warrant, attest:

[Signature]

Debbie Allen Grover, Resident
Maine School Administrative District No. 51

**WARRANT AND NOTICE OF ELECTION
CALLING MAINE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT NO. 51
BUDGET VALIDATION REFERENDUM
(20-A M.R.S. § 1486)**

TO: Debbie Allen Grover, a resident of Maine School Administrative District No. 51 (the "District") composed of the Towns of Cumberland and North Yarmouth, State of Maine.

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby ordered to serve upon the municipal clerks of each of the municipalities within the District, namely, the Towns of Cumberland and North Yarmouth, an attested copy of this warrant and notice of election. Service shall be in hand within three (3) days of the date of this warrant and notice of election. The municipal clerks of the above municipalities shall immediately notify the respective Municipal Officers. The Municipal Officers shall meet forthwith and countersign this warrant and notice of election. The Municipal Officers shall provide below for the respective municipal clerks to post or have posted this warrant and notice of election.

**TOWN OF NORTH YARMOUTH
DISTRICT BUDGET VALIDATION REFERENDUM
WARRANT AND NOTICE OF ELECTION**

Cumberland County, ss.

State of Maine

TO: Debbie Allen Grover, Clerk/Resident of North Yarmouth: You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine to notify the voters of this municipality of the election described in this warrant and notice of election.

TO THE VOTERS OF NORTH YARMOUTH: You are hereby notified that a District budget validation referendum election will be held at Wescustogo Hall and North Yarmouth Community Center, 120 Memorial Highway in the Town of North Yarmouth on Tuesday, June 13, 2023 for the purpose of determining the following articles:

Article 1A: To elect a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 1: Do you favor approving the Maine School Administrative District No. 51 budget for the upcoming school year that was adopted at the latest District budget meeting?

The voting on Article 1 shall be by secret ballot referendum. The polls will be opened immediately after election of the moderator following commencement of the meeting at 7:00 A.M. and closed at 8:00 P.M.

The Registrar of Voters shall hold office hours while the polls are open to correct any error in or change a name or address on the voting list; to accept the registration of any person eligible to vote and to accept new enrollments.

A person who is not registered as a voter may not vote in any election.

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]

Given under our hand this day, May 1, 2023 at Cumberland, Maine.

<u>Christina Mitchell</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>
<u>Karine</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>
<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>
<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>

A majority of the School Board of Maine School Administrative District No. 51

A true copy of the Warrant and Notice of Election, attest:

[Signature]

Debbie Allen Grover
Resident of
Maine School Administrative District No. 51

Countersigned this 2nd day of May, 2023 at North Yarmouth, Maine.

<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>
<u>Amy N. Haire</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>
<u>Andrea Berry</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>

A majority of the Municipal Officers of North Yarmouth, Maine

A true copy of the Warrant and Notice of Election, attest:

[Signature]

Debbie Allen Grover, Municipal Clerk
North Yarmouth, Maine

**NOTICE OF ABSENTEE BALLOT PROCESSING TIMES
IN THE TOWN OF NORTH YARMOUTH
FOR MAINE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT NO. 51
June 13, 2023 REFERENDUM**

TO THE VOTERS OF NORTH YARMOUTH:

Take notice that absentee ballots in North Yarmouth for the Maine School Administrative District No. 51 Referendum to be held on June 13, 2023, shall begin to be processed at the following times and locations:

TIME(S)	LOCATIONS(S)
June 13, 2023, beginning at 9AM and continuing every hour until all are processed.	Wescustogo Hall & North Yarmouth Community Center

Dated: May 3, 2023

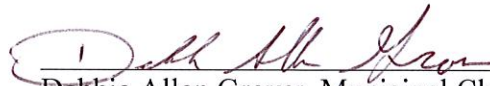
Signed:



Debbie Allen Grover, Municipal Clerk
North Yarmouth, Maine

If the absentee ballots will be processed before the closed of polls, this notice is to be mailed at least 7 days prior to the election date to the last address of each municipal political party chair of North Yarmouth that is known to the Municipal Clerk.

A true copy of the Notice of Absentee Ballot Processing Times, Attest:



Debbie Allen Grover, Municipal Clerk
North Yarmouth, Maine