

SAMPLE BALLOT



ABSENTEE OFFICIAL BALLOT

ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

TOWN OF
PELHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 8, 2011

Patricia E. Murphy

PATRICIA E. MURPHY, SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

1. To vote, fill in the oval(s) ☐ opposite your choice(s) like this ☒
2. To write-in a candidate not on the ballot, write the name on the line provided for the office and fill in the oval ☐ opposite the write-in line, like this ☒

SCHOOL OFFICIALS

For School Board

THREE YEARS Vote for ONE:

BRIAN CARTON ☐

WRITE-IN ☐

For School Board

ONE YEAR Vote for ONE:

MEGAN LARSON ☐

WRITE-IN ☐

For Moderator

THREE YEARS Vote for ONE:

WRITE-IN ☐

For Clerk

THREE YEARS Vote for ONE:

WRITE-IN ☐

For Treasurer

THREE YEARS Vote for ONE:

PATRICIA MURPHY ☐

WRITE-IN ☐

OFFICIAL BALLOT SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT

QUESTION #2

"Passage of this article shall override the 10 percent limitation imposed on this appropriation due to the non-recommendation of the budget committee. Shall the Pelham School District raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,815,000 (Three million, eight hundred and fifteen thousand dollars) for the construction and equipping of a new kindergarten and pre-school school building and authorize the issuance of not more than \$3,815,000 (Three million, eight hundred and fifteen thousand dollars) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33) and authorize the Pelham School Board to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and to authorize the Pelham School Board to apply for, and accept and expend any federal, state, or other aid that may be available for said project and to comply with all the requirements related thereto; and further to raise and appropriate the additional sum of \$64,685 (Sixty-four thousand, six hundred and eighty-five dollars) for the first year's interest payment on the bond and authorize the Pelham School Board to take any other action necessary to carry out this vote?" (3/5 ballot vote required) (Recommended by the School Board) (Initially Not Recommended by the Budget Committee-After Deliberative Session, Recommended by the Budget Committee) YES ☐ NO ☐

QUESTION #3

"Shall the Pelham School District vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Pelham School Board and the Pelham Education Association (PEA) which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

Year:	Estimated Increase:
2011-2012	\$66,247
2012-2013	\$256,555

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$66,247 (Sixty-six thousand, two hundred and forty-seven dollars) for the upcoming fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels paid in accord with the most recent collective bargaining agreement?" (Note: Pursuant to RSA 273-A:12, if approved, the terms of this collective bargaining agreement, including the pay plan, but excluding cost of living increases (if applicable), will continue in force and effect until a new agreement is negotiated.) (Majority vote required) (Recommended by the School Board) (Recommended by the Budget Committee) YES ☐ NO ☐

QUESTION #4

"Shall the Pelham School District raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts 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 \$24,651,498 (Twenty-four million, six hundred fifty-one thousand, four hundred and ninety-eight dollars)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$24,569,216 (Twenty-four million, five hundred and sixty-nine thousand, two hundred and sixteen dollars), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Pelham School District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only." (Note: Warrant Article 4 (operating budget) does not include appropriations proposed in any other warrant articles.) (Majority vote required) (Recommended by the School Board) (Recommended by the Budget Committee) YES ☐ NO ☐

QUESTION #5

"Shall the Pelham School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,106 (Fifteen thousand, one hundred and six dollars), for the purpose of funding a 1.5% salary increase and benefits for the following 12 non-union administrative employees: 3 principals, 4 assistant principals, 1 special education coordinator, 1 director of maintenance, 1 school-to-work coordinator, 1 food service director, and 1 pre-school coordinator." (Note: Salaries equal \$12,410, Benefits equal \$2,696.) (Majority vote required) (Recommended by the School Board) (Recommended by the Budget Committee) YES ☐ NO ☐

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QUESTION #6

"Shall the Pelham School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,477 (**Eighteen thousand, four hundred and seventy-seven dollars**), for the purpose of funding a 1.5% salary increase and benefits for the following 48 non-union support personnel: 12 secretaries, 15 custodians, 3 maintenance technicians, 1 technology support, and 17 food service workers." (Note: Salaries equal \$15,180, Benefits equal \$3,297.) (Majority vote required) (Recommended by the School Board) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

YES ☐

NO ☐

QUESTION #7

"Shall the Pelham School District vote to add the following positions and raise and appropriate the money to fund salaries and benefits for those new positions as follows:"

a. District Athletic Director **\$81,158**
(Note: Salary equals \$50,000 Benefits equal \$31,158.) (Majority vote required) (Recommended by the School Board) (Not recommended by the Budget Committee)

YES ☐

NO ☐

b. District Psychologist **\$1**
(Note: If this article passes, the monies from the psychologist contracted consultant line in the operating budget will fund this position.) (Majority vote required) (Recommended by the School Board) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

YES ☐

NO ☐

c. District Speech Pathologist **\$1**
(Note: If this article passes, the monies from the speech contracted consultant line in the operating budget will fund this position.) (Majority vote required) (Recommended by the School Board) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

YES ☐

NO ☐

QUESTION #8

"Shall the Pelham School District vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of \$50,000.00, (**Fifty Thousand dollars and no cents**) to be added to the previously established (1999-2000) School District Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund, with such sum to be funded from the June 30, 2011 unreserved fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2011." (Majority vote required) (Recommended by the School Board) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

YES ☐

NO ☐

QUESTION #9

"Shall the Pelham School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,824.00 (**Thirty thousand, eight hundred and twenty-four dollars and zero cents**) for Child Benefit Services for the 101 Pelham children attending St. Patrick School?" (Recommended by the School Board) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)

YES ☐

NO ☐

QUESTION #10

"Shall the Pelham School District raise and appropriate up to the sum of \$390,000 (**Three hundred ninety thousand dollars**) for the purpose of installing a sprinkler system in Pelham High School to comply with life safety and fire codes cited in the NEASC accreditation report?" (If approved, this action completes only one of many deficiencies cited in the accreditation report and is not required by the Pelham Fire Department.) (Not recommended by the School Board) (Not recommended by the Budget Committee) Submitted by petition

YES ☐

NO ☐

QUESTION #11

"Shall the Pelham School District raise and appropriate up to the sum of \$385,000 (**Three hundred eighty-five thousand dollars**) for the purpose of replacing the original heating, ventilation, and air cooling system (HVAC) in Pelham High School as cited in the NEASC accreditation report as clearly inadequate?" (If approved, this will correct only one of many deficiencies cited in the accreditation report.) (Not recommended by the School Board) (Not recommended by the Budget Committee) Submitted by petition

YES ☐

NO ☐

QUESTION #12

"Shall the Pelham School District raise and appropriate up to the sum of \$330,000 (**Three hundred thirty thousand dollars**) for the purpose of constructing a high school parking lot on the school district-owned property located across the street from the high school on Marsh Road to address the NEASC accreditation report citing the lack of parking spaces is a major problem?" (Not recommended by the School Board) (Not recommended by the Budget Committee) Submitted by petition

YES ☐

NO ☐

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