

SAMPLE BALLOT

BALLOT 1 OF 2

OFFICIAL BALLOT
FALL MOUNTAIN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 14, 2023

Macey D. Proulx
 SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

- A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this: ●
- B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.
- C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.

<p>SCHOOL BOARD CHARLESTOWN 3 Year Term Vote for not more than One</p> <p>SHELLY ANDRUS <u>560</u> ●</p> <p><u>31</u> ○ (Write-in)</p>	<p>DISTRICT MODERATOR 1 Year Term Vote for not more than One</p> <p>LERROY WATSON <u>487</u> ●</p> <p><u>5</u> ○ (Write-in)</p>	<p>BUDGET COMMITTEE LANGDON 3 Year Term Vote for not more than One</p> <p>AMANDA CHAFFEE <u>392</u> ●</p> <p><u>3</u> ○ (Write-in)</p>
<p>SCHOOL BOARD LANGDON 3 Year Term Vote for not more than One</p> <p>P. KEVIN KEITH <u>405</u> ●</p> <p><u>3</u> ○ (Write-in)</p>	<p>BUDGET COMMITTEE ACWORTH 2 Year Term Vote for not more than One</p> <p>MICHAEL ARON <u>388</u> ●</p> <p><u>2</u> ○ (Write-in)</p>	<p>BUDGET COMMITTEE WALPOLE 1 Year Term Vote for not more than One</p> <p>STEVEN DALESSIO <u>367</u> ●</p> <p><u>4</u> ○ (Write-in)</p>
<p>SCHOOL BOARD WALPOLE 1 Year Unexpired Term Vote for not more than One</p> <p>ANDREW COLLINS <u>206</u> ●</p> <p>CHERYL HOFFMAN <u>199</u> ○</p> <p>○ (Write-in)</p>	<p>BUDGET COMMITTEE ALSTEAD 2 Year Term Vote for not more than One</p> <p><u>44</u> ○ (Write-in)</p>	<p>BUDGET COMMITTEE AT-LARGE 1 Year Term Vote for not more than One</p> <p>STEPHEN VARONE <u>453</u> ●</p> <p><u>12</u> ○ (Write-in)</p>
<p>○ (Write-in)</p>	<p>BUDGET COMMITTEE CHARLESTOWN 3 Year Term Vote for not more than One</p> <p>CHRISTOPHER SPAULDING <u>547</u> ●</p> <p><u>13</u> ○ (Write-in)</p>	<p>BUDGET COMMITTEE AT-LARGE 2 Year Term Vote for not more than One</p> <p>GABRIEL ST. PIERRE <u>572</u> ●</p> <p><u>10</u> ○ (Write-in)</p>

TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING

SAMPLE BALLOT

FALL MOUNTAIN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT ARTICLES

Article 1 - Shall the Fall Mountain Regional 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 \$35,059,225? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$35,791,563 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Fall Mountain Regional 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. (Majority vote required.)

400
YES
NO
174

The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation by a vote of: (7) Yes, (0) No, (1) Absent
The School Board recommends this appropriation by a vote of: (7) Yes, (0) No, (0) Absent

Article 2 - Shall the Fall Mountain Regional School District vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Fall Mountain Regional School Board and the Fall Mountain Educational Teacher Association, which calls for the following increases in wages and benefits at the current staffing levels:

Year	Estimated Increase
2023-24 Contract	\$478,593
2024-25 Contract	\$488,540
2025-26 Contract	\$462,203

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$478,593 for the 2023-24 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in wages and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels in accordance with the most recent collective bargaining agreement? (Note: Health and Dental care premium increases are included in the main budget proposal.)

359
YES
NO
275

The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation by a vote of: (5) Yes, (2) No, (1) Absent
The School Board recommends this appropriation by a vote of: (7) Yes, (0) No, (0) Absent

Article 3 - Shall the Acworth voters vote to appropriate \$23,000 for capital improvements to the Acworth Community Schools to repaint/stain the exterior of the school with said funds to come from the Acworth Schools Capital Reserve Fund?

280
YES
NO
127

The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation by a vote of: (6) Yes, (0) No, (2) Absent
The School Board recommends this appropriation by a vote of: (7) Yes, (0) No, (0) Absent

Article 4 - Shall the Langdon voters vote to appropriate \$37,500 for capital improvements to Sarah Porter to install a new leach field with said funds to come from the Langdon School Capital Reserve Fund?

285
YES
NO
114

The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation by a vote of: (6) Yes, (0) No, (2) Absent
The School Board recommends this appropriation by a vote of: (7) Yes, (0) No, (0) Absent

Article 5 - Shall the District vote to raise and appropriate up to \$250,000 to be placed in the High School district's capital reserve fund, with said funds to come solely from any year-end unassigned general fund balance? These funds are to be held by the Charlestown Trustees of Trust Funds and no withdrawals shall be made without consent of the voters.

300
YES
NO
253

The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation by a vote of: (5) Yes, (1) No, (2) Absent
The School Board recommends this appropriation by a vote of: (6) Yes, (1) No, (0) Absent

Article 6 - Shall the voters of the Fall Mountain Regional School District vote to amend Article 3 in the District's Articles of Agreement to add the bolded language and to remove the language that is crossed out below:

3. (As amended on March 6, 1976 – see appendix for original language.) The Fall Mountain Regional School District shall be responsible for grades **Pre-K** through 12. Elementary schools will be maintained in Acworth, Alstead, ~~North Charlestown~~, Charlestown, Langdon, ~~North Walpole~~ and Walpole; that before future action in transferring, another grade from one town to another be taken, meetings be held by the School Board in the town concerned with the transfer. (2/3 majority vote required).

391
YES
NO
233

The School Board recommends this article by a vote of: (7) Yes, (0) No, (0) Absent
The Budget Committee recommends this article by a vote of: (6) Yes (0) No (2) Absent

GO TO NEXT BALLOT AND CONTINUE VOTING

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Misty D. Poudree
SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK

FALL MOUNTAIN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article 7 - Shall the voters of the Fall Mountain Regional School District vote to amend Article 18 of the District's Articles of Agreement to add the bolded language and remove the language that is crossed out below:

18. (As amended on March 13, 2007 – see appendix for original language.) The District agrees that a future warrant article proposing any of the following:

- acquisition of land
- construction of a new school
- square footage additions to existing schools
- major renovations or repairs (as determined by the school board)
- appropriations to or withdrawals from any elementary capital reserve fund established in 2006
- **closure of North Walpole or North Charlestown school**

~~the cost of such expenditure to be apportioned exclusively to one town/pre-existing district~~, shall be passed or defeated on the basis of votes tallied only in the identified town/pre-existing district **with any appropriation for expenditures to be apportioned exclusively to any such town/pre-existing district**. Any vote taken under such an article shall be considered a vote of the district and any expense approved under such an article shall be considered an appropriation of the district in accordance with RSA 195:14 (Supp.). This article shall be null and void if the District subsequently changes the manner in which it apportions capital expenses. (2/3 majority vote required).

The School Board recommends this article by a vote of: (7) Yes, (0) No, (0) Absent

The Budget Committee recommends this article by a vote of: (6) Yes, (0) No, (2) Absent

394
YES
NO
263

BY PETITION Article 8 - Shall the voters of Fall Mountain Regional School District vote to rescind the statutory budget committee and establish an advisory budget committee under the provisions of RSA 32:24 with 7 members, 5 to be appointed by the selectboard of each town of Alstead, Acworth, Charlestown, Langdon and Walpole with one member from each town and 2 at-large members to be selected by the Schoolboard, each for a one-year term.

The School Board does not recommend this article.

The Budget Committee does not recommend this article.

220
YES
NO
424

BY PETITION Article 9 - To see if the voters of the Town of Walpole will direct the school board of the Fall Mountain Regional School District to undertake a study of the feasibility and suitability of the withdrawal of the Walpole district from the Cooperative District. In accordance with RSA 195, Section 25, the study shall be conducted by a committee composed of at least one member of the school board from each of the pre-existing districts, one member of the Board of Selectmen from each town, and such other members as may be appointed by the committee. Within 180 days of the date of formation, the committee shall report its findings to the State Board of Education. There is no cost to this study.

The School Board does not recommend this article.

The Budget Committee does not recommend this article.

132
YES
NO
399

YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING THIS BALLOT