

# SAMPLE BALLOT

**OFFICIAL BALLOT  
ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION  
NOTTINGHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
MARCH 8, 2022**

*Michael A. Balth*  
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.

<b>SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER</b>		<b>SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER</b>
For One Year _____ Vote for not more than One		For Three Years _____ Vote for not more than One
VICKI GREENE <input type="radio"/>		LORI KILBRETH <input type="radio"/>
SUSAN LEVENSON <input type="radio"/>		CHRISTOPHER THOMPSON <input type="radio"/>
_____ (Write-in) <input type="radio"/>		_____ (Write-in) <input type="radio"/>

**ARTICLES**

**Article #1** 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 School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Million Five Hundred Seventy-Four Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$5,574,980) (gross budget) for the final design, construction and original equipping of additions and renovations to the Nottingham School, and authorize the issuance of not more than Five Million Five Hundred Seventy-Four Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$5,574,980) of bonds or notes under and in compliance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33); to further authorize the School Board to issue, negotiate, sell, and deliver such bonds or notes and determine the rate of interest thereon, and the maturity and other terms thereof; to further authorize the School Board to apply for, obtain, accept and expend any federal, state, or other aid, if any, which may be available for said project, to use such funds to reduce the amount of bonds or notes issued for the project and to comply with all laws applicable to said project; and to authorize the School Board to take any and all action necessary in connection therewith or to pass any other vote relative thereto; and further to raise and appropriate the additional sum of One Hundred Thirty Nine Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-Four Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$139,374.50) for the first year's payment on the bond? (3/5 majority vote required).

*The School Board recommends 4-1* YES   
*The Budget Committee does not recommend 5-4-1.* NO   
*The estimated tax impact for the first year if this article passes is \$0.17 per \$1,000, which is interest only.*  
*The estimated tax impact for the second year if this article passes is \$0.51 per \$1,000 at current assessment based on a twenty (20) year bond. This amount is expected to decline over the term of the bond.*

**Article #2** Shall the Nottingham 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 Fifteen Million, One Hundred Seven Thousand, Six Hundred Ninety Dollars (\$15,107,690)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Fifteen Million, One Hundred Forty-Nine Thousand, Five Hundred Fifty-Three Dollars (\$15,149,553), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Nottingham School Board 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.

*The operating budget warrant does not include appropriations contained in any other warrant articles.* YES   
*The School Board recommends this appropriation by a 5 - 0 vote.* NO   
*The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation by a 5 - 1 vote, with 4 abstentions.*  
*The estimated tax impact if this article passes is \$14.41 per \$1,000.*  
*The tax impact if this article does not pass is \$14.46 per \$1,000.*

**VOTE BOTH SIDES OF BALLOT**

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## ARTICLES CONTINUED

**Article #3** Shall the Nottingham School District approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Nottingham Paraprofessional Association and the Nottingham School Board which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits, at the current staffing levels, over those paid in the prior fiscal year;

Year	Estimated Increase
2022-2023	\$44,642
2023-2024	\$43,492
2024-2025	\$40,719

YES

NO

to raise and appropriate the sum of \$44,642 for the 2022-2023 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributed to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year?

*The School Board recommends this appropriation by a 5-0 vote.*

*The Budget Committee **ti**ed on this appropriation by a 5-5 vote.*

*The tax impact if this article passes is \$0.05 per \$1,000.*

*The tax impact if this article does not pass is \$0.00 per \$1,000.*

**ARTICLE #4:** Shall the Nottingham School District, if Article 3 is defeated, authorize the School Board to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 3 cost items only?

YES

NO

*The School Board recommends this article by 5-0 vote.*

**ARTICLE #5:** To see if the Nottingham School District will vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of Fifty Thousand, Dollars (\$50,000) to be added to the Building Repair Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This sum to come from June 30, 2022 unassigned fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2022. No additional amount to be raised from taxation. Current balance on 11/30/21 is \$172,344.21\*. (\*\$35,000 will be added to the current balance prior to the vote, making the anticipated balance \$207,344.21)

YES

NO

*The School Board recommends this appropriation by a 5-0 vote.*

*The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation by a 7-3 vote.*

*There is no additional tax impact if this article passes.*

**ARTICLE #6:** To see if the Nottingham School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the Grounds Improvement Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This sum to come from June 30, 2022 unassigned fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2022. No additional amount to be raised from taxation. Current balance on 11/30/2021 is \$73,207.83\*. (\*\$15,000 will be added to the current balance prior to the vote, making the anticipated balance \$88,207.83)

YES

NO

*The School Board recommends this appropriation by a 5-0 vote.*

*The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation by a 7-3 vote.*

*There is no additional tax impact if the article passes.*

**ARTICLE #7:** To see if the Nottingham School District will vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the Special Education Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This sum to come from June 30, 2022 unassigned fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2022. No additional amount to be raised from taxation. Current balance at 11/30/2021 is \$137,117.93\*. (\*\$20,000 will be added to the current balance prior to the vote, making the anticipated balance \$157,117.93)

YES

NO

*The School Board recommends this appropriation by a 5-0 vote.*

*The Budget Committee recommends this appropriation by an 8-1 vote with 1 abstention.*

*There is no additional tax impact if this article passes.*

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