

**NOTICE OF BUDGET VOTE AND TRUSTEE ELECTION
CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF LOCKPORT**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Annual Meeting, Vote and Election (the “Annual Vote and Election”) of the legally qualified voters of the City School District of the City of Lockport, Niagara County, New York (the “District”) will be held on Tuesday, May 18, 2021, between the hours of 12:00 noon and 9:00 p.m., prevailing time, for the purposes of: electing three members of the Board of Education of the District to fill vacancies created by the expiration, on June 30, 2021 of the terms of Kyle W. Lambalzer, John A. Linderman and Kevin W. Pratt; voting on the budget of the District for the 2021-22 fiscal year and a proposed Capital Improvements Project, 2021; and transacting such other business as may be authorized by law.

ALSO TAKE NOTICE that voting on the budget for the school year 2021-2022 and the raising of tax revenue therefor, and any and all propositions involving the expenditure of money or authorizing the levy of taxes will consist of voting on the following propositions, to-wit:

**PROPOSITION NO. 1
2021-2022 EXPENDITURE BUDGET**

Shall the following resolution be adopted?

RESOLVED, that the proposed budget of expenditures of the City School District of the City of Lockport for the year commencing July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, in the amount and for the purposes shown in the statement of estimated expenditures adopted by the Board of Education, is hereby approved and the necessary amount thereof shall be raised by a levy of tax upon the taxable property in the District to be levied and collected as required by law.

**PROPOSITION NO. 2
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT, 2021**

Shall the following bond resolution of the Board of Education of the City School District of the City of Lockport be approved, to-wit:

A BOND RESOLUTION, DATED MARCH 24, 2021, OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF LOCKPORT, NIAGARA COUNTY, NEW YORK (THE “DISTRICT”), AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT (1) TO UNDERTAKE (SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE VOTERS OF THE DISTRICT) A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT CONSISTING OF THE RECONSTRUCTION AND RENOVATION, IN PART, AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF IMPROVEMENTS AND UPGRADES TO, VARIOUS DISTRICT BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES AND THE SITES THEREOF (COLLECTIVELY, THE “PROJECT”), AT AN ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST OF \$22,941,000; (2) TO EXPEND OR APPLY TOWARD THE PROJECT \$3,167,000 FROM THE DISTRICT’S CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS RESERVE FUND - 2014; AND (3) TO ISSUE SERIAL BONDS OF THE DISTRICT IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$19,774,000 TO FINANCE THE BALANCE OF THE COST OF THE PROJECT, AND DELEGATING THE POWER TO ISSUE BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE SALE OF SUCH BONDS TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE DISTRICT.

ALSO TAKE NOTICE that an Environmental Assessment Form has been completed for the Project described in Proposition No. 1 (collectively, the “Project”), which is a Type I Action under SEQRA, a thorough review of the Project’s potential environmental impacts has been undertaken, it has been found that the Project will not result in a significant adverse impact on the environment, and a written, reasoned elaboration of the SEQRA determination of significance has been provided in a Negative Declaration.

ALSO TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to Section 1716 of the Education Law, the Board will have prepared and completed a detailed statement in writing of the amount of money which will be required for the ensuing fiscal year 2021-2022, for school purposes, exclusive of public monies, specifying the several purposes and the amount of each, and the copies of such statement

will be available during the 14 days immediately preceding the annual meeting except Saturday, Sunday, and holidays at each schoolhouse in the District in which school is maintained and at the District Office located at 130 Beattie Avenue, Lockport, New York, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4.00 p.m., prevailing time, or by calling 716-478-4828. The mandated components are also on the District website: www.lockportschools.org.

ALSO TAKE NOTICE that applications for absentee ballots may be obtained between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4.00 p.m., prevailing time, at the office of the District Clerk located at 130 Beattie Avenue, Lockport, New York. Completed applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the Annual Vote and Election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or on the day before the Annual Vote and Election if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. No absentee ballot shall be canvassed unless it shall have been received by the District Clerk not later than 5:00 p.m., prevailing time, on May 18, 2021.

ALSO TAKE NOTICE that military voters who are registered voters of the District may apply for a military ballot by requesting an application from the District Clerk. For a military voter to be issued a military ballot, the District Clerk must have received a valid ballot application no later than 5:00 pm on May 3, 2021. In a request for a military ballot application or ballot, the military voter may indicate a preference for receiving the application or ballot by mail, facsimile transmission, or electronic mail.

ALSO TAKE NOTICE that a list of all persons to whom absentee ballots shall have been issued will be available in the office of the Clerk on each of the five days prior to the day of the Annual Vote and Election except Saturday and Sunday, and at each of the polling places on the date of the Annual Vote of Election, in accordance with provisions of the New York State Education Law and the applicable provisions of the New York State Election Law.

ALSO TAKE NOTICE that the polls for the Annual Vote and Election will be open at 12:00 noon and remain open to the reception of votes until 9:00 p.m., when they will be closed. The voting will be by the use of county voting machines as determined by the Board. The Annual Vote and Election will be conducted so far as possible in accordance with the laws governing general and municipal elections.

ALSO TAKE NOTICE that all candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education shall be nominated by petition. Each petition must be directed to the District Clerk, must state the name and residence of the candidate, must be signed by at least fifty (50) qualified voters of the District, and must include the residence of each petition signer. Each petition must be filed with the District Clerk not later than 5:00 p.m., on April 28, 2021. The three candidates receiving the most votes will serve three-year terms commencing July 1, 2021 and expiring on June 30, 2024.

ALSO TAKE NOTICE that the District's Board of Registration will meet in the Board Room at the District's Administration Building located at 130 Beattie Avenue, Lockport, New York, on April 26, 2021, between the hours of 12:00 noon and 7:00 p.m., prevailing time, for the preparation of registers of qualified voters. Any person otherwise qualified to vote who is not currently registered under permanent personal registration in the election district in which he or she resides, or who has moved to another residence within that district following the date of such registration, or who has not voted in a general election at least once in the last four successive calendar years should, in order to be entitled to vote, present himself or herself personally for registration or otherwise register at the Niagara County Board of Elections or, if such person has a New York driver's license, by filing an online application with the Department of Motor Vehicles by visiting: <https://dmv.ny.gov/more-info/electronic-voter-registration-application>.

Such register will be filed in the office of the District Clerk immediately upon completion and shall be open for public inspection between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday or by appointment each day up to May 18, 2021, at the office of the District Clerk in the Administration Building at 130 Beattie Avenue, Lockport, New York, and at the polling places on the day of the Annual Vote and Election.

ALSO TAKE NOTICE that military voters who are not currently registered may apply to register as a qualified voter of the District by requesting and returning a military voter registration application to the District Clerk. Completed military voter registration application forms must be received in the office of the District Clerk no later than 5:00 P.M., prevailing time, on April 25, 2021. A military voter may indicate a preference for receiving the registration application by mail, facsimile transmission, or electronic mail.

ALSO TAKE NOTICE that the Board has by resolution divided the school district into school election districts, so that they are coterminous with the election wards in the City of Lockport, and all of the District located outside of the City of Lockport, being parts of the Towns of Lockport, Cambria, and Pendleton. The place of voting in each election district (ward) is set forth below:

City of Lockport	1 st Ward	Lockport High School - Gym 250 Lincoln Avenue (Park by the Fitness Center at the back of the school. Use Door #7)
City of Lockport	2 nd Ward	Board of Education Administration Building, 130 Beattie Avenue
City of Lockport	3 rd Ward	North Park Annex 400 Corintha Street
City of Lockport	4 th Ward	Lockport High School - Gym 250 Lincoln Avenue (Park by the Fitness Center at the back

City of Lockport	5 th Ward	of the school. Use Door #7) Board of Education Administration Building, 130 Beattie Avenue
All parts of the Towns of Lockport, Cambria, and Pendleton located in the City School District of the City of Lockport		Lockport High School - Gym 250 Lincoln Avenue (Park by the Fitness Center at the back of the school. Use Door #7)

ALSO TAKE NOTICE that the a public hearing of the qualified voters of the District will be held at the Administration Building, 130 Beattie Avenue, Lockport, New York, on Wednesday, May 5, 2021 at 7:00 p.m., prevailing time, for the transaction of business as authorized by the Education Law, including the following items:

1. To receive such reports of the District as shall have been submitted.
2. To discuss all the items hereinabove set forth to be voted upon by voting machines at the Annual Vote and Election, including the presentation of the District’s proposed 2021-2022 budget.
3. To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting pursuant to Education Law of the State of New York and acts amendatory thereto.

ALSO TAKE NOTICE that, due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the deadlines and procedures stated herein may change as required by law or further state guidance. All District residents are encouraged to closely monitor the District’s website for any updated information regarding the District’s annual meeting and vote.

Board of Education
City School District of the City of Lockport
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