

UNION COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
PUBLIC NOTICE REGARDING THE SPRINGFIELD SPECIAL SCHOOL ELECTION
MARCH 14, 2023

The Springfield Special School Election is scheduled for March 14, 2023. Polls are open on Election Day 8:00am to 8pm. For more information regarding polling locations, you may contact the Union County Board of Elections at 908-527-4123, your municipal clerk's office or visit the New Jersey Division of Elections website at <https://voter.njsvrs.com/elections/polling-lookup.html> or www.ucnj.org/ucboe.

The following mail-in ballot drop boxes will be open for this election: The Chisolm Recreation Center, 100 South Springfield Avenue, Springfield.

THE QUESTIONS TO BE VOTED UPON ARE AS FOLLOWS:

BOND PROPOSAL QUESTION NO. 1

The Board of Education of the Township of Springfield in the County of Union, New Jersey is authorized (a) to undertake various improvements, alterations, and renovations consisting of security upgrades, replacement of exterior doors and hardware, installation of new building management systems, HVAC upgrades, electrical upgrades, and any necessary related remediation at Jonathan Dayton High School, Florence M. Gaudineer Middle School, Thelma L. Sandmeier Elementary School, Edward V. Walton Early Childhood Center and James Caldwell Elementary School, including acquisition and installation of fixtures, equipment, and any site work; (b) to renovate the student toilet rooms at Jonathan Dayton High School, including acquisition and installation of fixtures, equipment, and any site work; (c) to renovate the toilet rooms, and to repair and to renovate the music classroom at Florence M. Gaudineer Middle School, including acquisition and installation of fixtures, furniture, equipment, and any site work; (d) to undertake various drainage and storm water improvements at Edward V. Walton Early Childhood Center, including any site work; (e) to undertake plumbing improvements and renovate the toilet rooms and various classrooms at James Caldwell Elementary School, including acquisition and installation of fixtures, furniture, equipment, and any site work; (f) to appropriate \$18,878,356 for such improvements; and (g) to issue bonds in an amount not to exceed \$18,878,356.

The final eligible costs for the projects approved by the New Jersey Commissioner of Education are \$18,708,756 (consisting of **\$7,202,494** for Jonathan Dayton High School, \$5,770,974 for Florence M. Gaudineer Middle School, \$1,490,507 for Thelma L. Sandmeier Elementary School, \$1,978,231 for Edward V. Walton Early Childhood Center and \$2,266,550 for James Caldwell Elementary School). The projects include \$169,600 (consisting of **\$36,000** for Jonathan Dayton High School, \$38,500 for Florence M. Gaudineer Middle School, \$9,000 for Thelma L. Sandmeier Elementary School, \$13,500 for Edward V. Walton Early Childhood Center and \$72,600 for James Caldwell Elementary School) for school facility construction elements in addition to the facilities efficiency standards developed by the Commissioner of Education or not otherwise eligible for State support pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-5(g). The State debt service aid percentage will equal 40% of the annual debt service due with respect to the final eligible costs of the projects. The Board of Education is authorized to transfer funds among the projects approved at this election.

Do you approve this Bond Proposal Question No. 1?

BOND PROPOSAL QUESTION NO. 2

(Bond Proposal Question No. 2 will only go into effect if Bond Proposal Question No. 1 is also approved by the voters at this election.)

The Board of Education of the Township of Springfield in the County of Union, New Jersey is authorized (a) to install air-conditioning and to undertake any necessary related remediation and upgrades at Jonathan Dayton High School, Florence M. Gaudineer Middle School, Thelma L. Sandmeier Elementary School, Edward V. Walton Early Childhood Center, and James Caldwell Elementary School, including acquisition and installation of equipment and any site work; (b) to undertake various additional HVAC upgrades, and renovate the gymnasiums at Jonathan Dayton High School, including acquisition and installation of fixtures, furniture, equipment, and any site work; (c) to undertake various additional HVAC upgrades and renovate the gymnasiums and the conference room at Florence M. Gaudineer Middle School, including acquisition and installation of fixtures, furniture, equipment, and any site work; (d) to undertake various additional HVAC upgrades at Thelma L. Sandmeier Elementary School, including acquisition and installation of equipment and any site work; (e) to appropriate \$13,994,508 for such improvements; and (f) to issue bonds in an amount not to exceed \$13,994,508.

The final eligible costs for the projects approved by the New Jersey Commissioner of Education are \$13,954,108 (consisting of **\$4,492,082** for Jonathan Dayton High School, \$3,326,176 Florence M. Gaudineer Middle School, \$2,646,100 for Thelma L. Sandmeier Elementary School, \$1,395,900 for Edward V. Walton Early Childhood Center, and \$2,093,850 for James Caldwell Elementary School). The projects include \$40,400 (consisting of **\$30,000** for Jonathan Dayton High School, \$10,400 for Florence M. Gaudineer Middle School, \$0 for Thelma L. Sandmeier Elementary School, \$0 for Edward V. Walton Early Childhood Center, and \$0 for James Caldwell Elementary School) for school facility construction elements in addition to the facilities efficiency standards developed by the Commissioner of Education or not otherwise eligible for State support pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-5(g). The State debt service aid percentage will equal 40% of the annual debt service due with respect to the final eligible costs of the projects. The Board of Education is authorized to transfer funds among the projects approved at this election.

Do you approve this Bond Proposal Question No. 2?

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

At this election, the voters of the school district are being asked to consider both Bond Proposal Question No. 1 and Bond Proposal Question No. 2. Bond Proposal Question No. 2 will only go into effect if Bond Proposal Question No. 1 is also approved by the voters at this election.

If both Bond Proposal Question No. 1 and Bond Proposal Question No. 2 are approved by the voters at this election, the Board of Education will be authorized to undertake various improvements, alterations, renovations, and upgrades at Jonathan Dayton High School, Florence M. Gaudineer Middle School, Thelma L. Sandmeier Elementary School, Edward V. Walton Early Childhood Center, and James

Caldwell Elementary School, including acquisition and installation of fixtures, furniture, equipment and any site work, as applicable, for a total cost of \$32,872,864, and will be authorized to issue bonds in an amount not to exceed \$32,872,864. The final eligible costs for the projects approved by the New Jersey Commissioner of Education are \$32,662,864 (consisting of \$11,694,576 for Jonathan Dayton High School, \$9,097,150 Florence M. Gaudineer Middle School, \$4,136,607 for Thelma L. Sandmeier Elementary School, \$3,374,131 for Edward V. Walton Early Childhood Center, and \$4,360,400 for James Caldwell Elementary School). The projects includes \$210,000 (consisting of \$66,000 for Jonathan Dayton High School, \$48,900 Florence M. Gaudineer Middle School, \$9,000 for Thelma L. Sandmeier Elementary School, \$13,500 for Edward V. Walton Early Childhood Center, and \$72,600 for James Caldwell Elementary School) for school facility construction elements in addition to the facilities efficiency standards developed by the Commissioner of Education or not otherwise eligible for State support pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-5(g). The State debt service aid percentage will equal 40% of the annual debt service due with respect to the final eligible costs of the projects. The Board of Education is authorized to transfer funds among the projects approved at this election.

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