

**Board of Education
Fulton City School District
129 Curtis St.
Fulton, NY 13069**

**NOTICE OF ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING
FULTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

NOTICE IS GIVEN, that a public Budget Hearing of the qualified voters of the Fulton City School District, Oswego County, NY will be held at G. Ray Bodley High School, 6 William Gillard Dr., Library, and also virtually via videoconference, on May 2, 2023, at 6:00 PM, for the transaction of business as authorized by the Education Law, including the following items:

1. To receive such reports of the officials of the School District as shall be submitted.
2. To discuss all the items hereinafter set forth to be voted upon by voting machines at the vote and election to be held on May 16, 2023
3. To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting pursuant to New York Education Law and acts amendatory thereto.

The public has the right to listen to or view such proceeding. Updated information about how to access the proceeding will be published on the District's website when available, at <https://www.fultoncsd.org/> and questions may also be directed to the District Clerk at 315.593.5511 or Clerk@fulton.cnyric.org.

AND NOTICE IS GIVEN, that said vote and election will be held on Tuesday, May 16, 2023 between the hours of 9:00 AM and 9:00 PM, at the Fulton War Memorial, 609 West Broadway Fulton, NY, AND the City of Fulton Community Room, 141 South First St., Fulton, at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting machine upon the following items:

1. To adopt the annual budget of the District for the fiscal year 2023-2024 and to authorize the requisite portion to be raised by taxation on the taxable property of the District.
2. To elect three (3) members of the Board of Education for three-year terms commencing July 1, 2023, and expiring on June 30, 2026.
3. To elect two (2) members of the Fulton Public Library, Library Board of Trustees for five (5) year terms, July 1, 2023.
4. The following propositions, which shall appear on the ballot in substantially the following forms:

Election Districts are as follows:

Election District No. 1 (To include all voters living on the east side of the District, defined as east of the Oswego River):

Location of polling place: City of Fulton Community Room, 141 South First St., Fulton, 13069.

Boundaries: Ward 4,5 and 6-Town of Volney, Palermo District 1 and Town of Oswego District 5

Election District No. 2 (To include all voters living on the west side of the District, defined as west of the Oswego River:

Location of polling place: Fulton War Memorial, 609 West Broadway, Fulton, NY 13609.

Boundaries: Ward 1, 2 and 3-Town of Granby, Minetto
District 2 and Town of Oswego District 5.

PROPOSITION 1 - STUDENT TRANSPORTATION VEHICLES

Shall the Bond Resolution adopted by the Board of Education of the City School District of the City of Fulton authorizing the purchase of one (1) replacement mini school bus with wheelchair accessibility and two (2) replacement 7-passenger vans, including related furnishings and equipment incidental thereto, at a total estimated cost not to exceed \$240,000, and the payment of the costs of the buses by the levy of a tax upon all the taxable real property of the District in the amount of \$240,000 which tax shall be levied and collected in annual installments in such years and in such amounts as may be determined by the Board of Education and, if necessary, in anticipation of such tax the issuance of bonds and bond anticipation notes in the principal amount not to exceed \$240,000 and the levy of a tax to pay the interest on said obligations, be approved?

PROPOSITION 2 – CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

Shall the Bond Resolution adopted by the Board of Education authorizing the construction, renovations and improvements to Volney Elementary School, Fairgrieve Elementary School, Granby Elementary School, Lanigan Elementary School, Fulton Junior High School, Education Center, G. Ray Bodley High School and the High School Athletic Complex, including, but not limited to, alterations, site improvements, athletic field and playground improvements, mechanical, electrical, HVAC and security upgrades, original furnishings, fixtures and equipment required for such purposes, architectural fees, and all other necessary costs incidental to such work at a total estimated cost not to exceed \$20,000,000 and the payment of the costs of the Project by the levy of a tax upon all the taxable real property of the District in the amount of \$20,000,000, subject to any available State Aid, which tax shall be levied and collected in annual installments in such years and in such amounts as may be determined by the Board of Education and, in anticipation of such tax, the issuance of bonds and bond anticipation notes in the principal amount not to exceed \$20,000,000 and the levy of a tax to pay the interest on said obligations, be approved?

PROPOSITION 3 – CAPITAL RESERVE

Shall the Board of Education of the Fulton City School District, be authorized to establish a Capital Reserve Fund for a fifteen-year term pursuant to Section 3651 of the Education Law and fund such fund in an amount not to exceed \$10,000,000, inclusive of accrued interest and other investment earnings, to be used for renovations and additions to all District facilities, including purchase of equipment, technology upgrades, classroom equipment and/or school infrastructure equipment, site development, athletic fields, storm and sanitary sewer, driveways, and parking lots, such reserve fund to be funded from (i) the balance on deposit in the existing capital reserve fund, (ii) year-end budget surplus funds known as unassigned fund balance, as available, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023 and each fiscal year thereafter for the term of the reserve fund, (iii) transfers of excess monies from Board of Education designated reserves, (iv) amounts from budgetary appropriations from time to time, and (v) New York State Aid received and made available by the Board of Education from time to time, all as permitted by law?

LIBRARY TAX PROPOSITION

Shall the Fulton Public Library Board of Trustees be authorized to levy and collect an annual tax, separate and apart from the annual school district budget, in the amount of \$493,543 (which is an increase of \$23,502 from the \$470,041 levy currently in existence) for the continuing support and maintenance of the Fulton Public Library, with this appropriated amount to be the annual appropriation until thereafter modified by a future vote by the taxpayers of the Fulton City School District?

AND NOTICE IS GIVEN, that a copy of the statement of the proposed amount of money which will be required to fund the School District's budget for 2023-2024 may be obtained by any District resident during business hours beginning May 2, 2023, except Saturday, Sunday, or holidays, at the Superintendent's Office, Fulton Jr. High School, and at each of the schoolhouses in the District. To request a copy, residents are encouraged to contact the District Clerk.

AND NOTICE IS GIVEN, that petitions nominating candidates for the office of Board of Education member shall be filed with the District Clerk, District Office, room #3, Fulton Junior High School, 129 Curtis Street, Fulton, NY, no later than April 26, 2023, between 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM. Nominating petitions must be directed to the District Clerk; must be signed by at least 100 qualified voters of the District; must state the name and residence of each signer, and, must state the name and residence of the candidate. Nominating petitions will be available by appointment between 8:00 AM and 3:30 PM beginning March 6, 2023 by calling 315.593.5511.

AND NOTICE IS GIVEN, that applications for absentee ballots can be obtained by contacting the District Clerk at 315.593.5511 or Clerk@fulton.cnyric.org beginning April 10, 2023; completed applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the election, if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. Completed ballots must be received by the District Clerk no later than 5:00 PM, on May 16, 2023. A list of persons to whom absentee and military ballots have been issued will be available for inspection in the District Clerk's Office during regular business hours during each of the five days prior to the election, except Sundays, beginning on May 9, 2023, and shall also be posted at the polling place at the election of members of the Board of Education. Individuals are encouraged to contact the District Clerk to make an appointment to review the list.

AND NOTICE IS GIVEN, that military voters who are not currently registered may apply to register as a qualified voter of the District by requesting to be registered by the District Clerk at 315.593.5511 or clerk@fulton.cnyric.org. Registered, qualified voters of the District may apply for a military ballot by requesting an application from the District Clerk at the phone number or email address listed above. For a military voter to be issued a military ballot, the District Clerk must have received a valid application no later than 5:00 PM on April 26, 2023. In a request for a military ballot application or ballot, the military voter may indicate their preference for receiving the application or ballot by mail, facsimile transmission or email.

AND NOTICE IS GIVEN, that personal registration of voters is required either pursuant to Section 2606 of the Education Law or pursuant to Article 5 of the Election Law. If a voter has previously registered pursuant to Section 2606 of the Education Law and has voted at an annual or special district meeting within the last four (4) calendar years, they are eligible to vote at this election; if a voter is registered and eligible to vote under Article 5 of the Election Law, they are also eligible to vote at this election. All other persons who wish to vote must register.

The Board of Registration will meet for the purpose of registering all qualified voters of the District at the District Office, on April 28, 2023 between the hours of 11:00 AM and 3:00 PM to add any additional names to the register to be used at the election, at which times any person will be entitled to have his or her name placed on such register, provided that at the meeting of the Board of Registration he or she is known or proven to the satisfaction of the Board of Registration to be then or thereafter entitled to vote at such election for which the register is prepared. The register so prepared pursuant to the Education Law will be filed in the Office of the District Clerk in the District Offices, 129 Curtis St., Fulton, NY, and will be open for inspection by any qualified voter of the District on each of the 5 days before and the day set for the election, except Sunday, and at the polling place on the day of the vote. Interested individuals are encouraged to call the District Clerk to set up an appointment to view the register.