

Important Voter Information from the District Clerk

May 21, 2020

Dear Irvington Community:

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 202.26 signed by Governor Cuomo on May 1, 2020, the 2020-21 Annual Budget Vote & School Board Election (Annual Meeting) will be held on Tuesday, June 9, 2020.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this year the school budget vote and Board of Education trustee election will be conducted entirely by absentee ballot. The requirement to complete an application has been suspended. Absentee ballots will be automatically mailed to registered, qualified voters in the District and will include a postage paid return envelope to assist the community members with returning the absentee ballot by mail.

Absentee ballots will be in both English and Spanish and will contain a proposition pertaining to the 2020-21 Irvington School District budget. The absentee ballots will also contain the names of the individuals running for the three (3) open seats on the Irvington Board of Education. The candidates for the three (3) seats are:

Brian Friedman Maura Gedid Jayne Wissner

Upon receipt of the absentee ballot:

- Voters must complete the absentee ballot
- Insert the absentee ballot into the affirmation envelope and seal it
- The voter must then write their name and address on the affirmation envelope and sign where indicated on the envelope
- The voter must insert the signed affirmation envelope into the postage paid return envelope pre-addressed to the District Clerk and mail it as soon as possible.

Please note that <u>absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk via US</u> <u>Mail no later than 5:00 p.m. on June 9, 2020</u>. Inspectors will assist with the canvassing of the absentee ballot in the Dows Lane Gymnasium. Required health and safety measures will be in place to protect our election workers.

During this time of social distancing and quarantine, there will be no personal voter registration held at Main Street School. Prospective voters may register to vote with the Westchester County Board of Elections by completing an online registration application with the NYS Department of Motor Vehicles at: https://dmv.ny.gov/more-info/electronic-voter-registration-application. Registration should occur as soon as possible so as to be able to receive and return an absentee ballot prior to 5:00 p.m. on June 9, 2020.

Important Date:

• The next Board of Education meeting will take place on Tuesday, June 2, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. via Zoom. A Public Hearing on the 2020-21 Irvington School District budget, starting at 7:15 p.m., will precede this meeting.

Details of this meeting will be posted on the District website.

Members of the community are encouraged to contact the District Clerk for further information via email at: <u>pauline.davies@irvingtonschools.org</u>.

Sincerely, Pauline Davies District Clerk Irvington Union Free School District

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