

**Boquet Valley Central School District**  
**Notice of Public Hearing & Annual Budget Vote**  
**(revised 4/6/22)**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN**, that a Public Budget Hearing of the Boquet Valley Central School District shall be held on Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at 6:00 PM in the Bulles Auditorium Lake View Campus located at 25 Sisco Street, Westport, New York, for the purpose of discussion of the expenditure of funds and budgeting thereof;

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required to fund the School District's budget for 2022-2023 exclusive of public monies, may be obtained by any resident or taxpayer of the District during business hours beginning May 3, 2022, except Saturdays, Sundays and/or holidays at either school campus, the District Office, Westport Library, Wadhams Free Library, Elizabethtown Library and the District's website [www.boquetvalleycsd.org](http://www.boquetvalleycsd.org).

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the annual budget vote and board member election will be held on Tuesday, May 17, 2022 between the hours of 12:00 noon and 8:00 PM prevailing time, (or until all who are in attendance at the time have voted), at the Mountain View Campus 7530 Court Street, Elizabethtown, New York.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the vote upon the proposition for appropriation of necessary funds to meet estimated expenditures for the school year 2022-2023 for school purposes (Annual Budget and Tax Levy) shall be held on Tuesday, May 17, 2022 between the hours of 12:00 noon and 8:00 PM in said Mountain View Campus, at which time the polls will be opened to vote by ballot upon the following items:

1. To adopt the annual budget of the Boquet Valley Central School District for the fiscal year 2022-2023 and to authorize the requisite portion thereof to be raised by taxation on the taxable property of the District, and
2. To elect three (3) members to the Board of Education for three (3) year terms commencing July 1, 2022 and expiring on June 30, 2025 to succeed Heather Reynolds, Philip Mero and Suzanne Russell whose terms expire on June 30, 2022.
3. Shall the Board of Education appropriate and expend in the 2022-2023 fiscal year one hundred forty-one thousand dollars (\$141,000.00) from the existing Transportation and Maintenance Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of purchasing two (2) thirty-five (35) passenger school buses at a maximum cost of one hundred forty-one thousand dollars (\$141,000.00) to pay for the buses in full?
4. Shall the Board of Education appropriate and expend in the 2022-2023 fiscal year thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000.00) from the existing Transportation and Maintenance Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of purchasing one (1) sidewalk, driveway and lawn maintenance tractor at a maximum cost of thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000.00) to pay for the equipment in full?
5. Shall the Board of Education of the Boquet Valley Central School District, as pursuant to Education Law 259, be authorized to levy and collect an annual tax, year after year, separate and apart from the annual school district budget, in the amount of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00) which shall be paid to the Westport Library Association, and seven thousand dollars (\$7,000.00) which shall be paid to the Wadhams Free Library, for the support and maintenance of the libraries; with the appropriated amount to be the annual appropriation until thereafter modified by a future vote of the electors of the Boquet Valley Central School District:

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that in-person voting will be conducted in a manner consistent with NYS Department of Health guidelines intended to protect voters and school district personnel and may include the requirements that voters wear masks and maintain proper social distancing.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that qualified voters may obtain applications for absentee ballots from the District Clerk's office located at Mountain View Campus, PO Box 158, Elizabethtown, New York. Completed applications for absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk no later than 4:00 PM prevailing time, on May 16, 2022, and must be received no later than 4:00 PM, prevailing time, on May 10, 2022 if the absentee

ballot is to be mailed to the voter. Completed applications received after 4:00 PM on May 10, 2022, will require the voter to personally appear at the District Clerk's office to receive an absentee ballot. A listing of persons to whom absentee ballots have been issued will be available for inspection by any qualified voter during regular business hours in the District Clerk's office located within the Mountain View Campus through May 17, 2022. In general, absentee ballots must be provided upon proper application to any qualified voter who will be unable to vote in person due to illness or physical disability, hospitalization, incarceration (unless incarcerated for conviction of a felony), travel outside the voter's county or city of residence for employment or business reasons, studies or vacation on the day of the election. Qualified voters who do not want to vote in person because of concerns surrounding COVID-19 and public gatherings may also request an absentee ballot on those grounds as provided by law and Executive Order(s) then in effect. Guidance regarding absentee voting due to concerns related to COVID-19 will be published on the District's website when available and questions may also be directed to the District Clerk at 518-873-6371 ext. 511 or [jatwell@boquetvalleycsd.org](mailto:jatwell@boquetvalleycsd.org).

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that military voters who are qualified voters of the School District may apply for a military ballot by requesting an application from the District Clerk at 518-873-6371 ext. 511 or [jatwell@boquetvalleycsd.org](mailto:jatwell@boquetvalleycsd.org). For a military voter to be issued a military ballot, the District Clerk must have received a valid ballot application no later than 4:00 PM on April 21, 2022 (26 days prior to the vote). 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 electronic mail.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that petitions nominating candidates for the office of School Board Member must be filed in the District Clerk's Office no later than 4:00 PM on April 18, 2022. Each petition shall be signed by at least 25 voters of the District, and must state the name and residence of the candidate.

**AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a qualified voter is one who is a U.S. citizen, at least 18 years old, and a resident of the School District for a period of 30 days next preceding the annual vote. The School District may require all persons offering to vote to provide one form of proof of residency pursuant to Education Law 2018-c. Such form may include a driver's license, a non-driver identification card, a utility bill, or a voter registration card. Upon offer of proof of residency, the School District may also require all persons offering to vote to provide their signature, printed name and address.

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the District Clerk is authorized and directed in the name and on behalf of the District to do all acts and things necessary, following the advice and counsel of the District's School Attorney or the District's Bond Counsel, to comply with all applicable laws, regulations and executive orders relating to the Special Meeting and to do all other acts as may be necessary, or in the opinion of the District's School Attorney or the District's Bond Counsel, desirable or proper to effectuate the purposes of the foregoing Resolution and to cause compliance by the District with all applicable laws, regulations and executive orders relating to the notice of, and procedural steps to be taken in connection with such Special Meeting. .

School District: Boquet Valley Central  
District Clerk: Jana Atwell  
Dated: March 18, 2022  
Revised: April 6, 2022