

## REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT NO. 24 2020-2021 SCHOOL BUDGET NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

**TO:** Joan Ingalls, a resident of Regional School Unit No. 24 (the “Regional School Unit”) composed of the Towns of Eastbrook, Franklin, Gouldsboro, Mariaville, Sorrento, Steuben, Sullivan, Waltham, and Winter Harbor, State of Maine.

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify the voters of each of the municipalities within the Regional School Unit, namely, the Towns of Eastbrook, Franklin, Gouldsboro, Mariaville, Sorrento, Steuben, Sullivan, Waltham, and Winter Harbor, that a Regional School Unit Public Hearing will be held by remote participation at 6:30 p.m. on June 24, 2020 for the purpose of public participation in and receipt of public comment on the proposed 2020-2021 school budget and on the referendum questions set forth below. Pursuant to Title 1, section 403-A of the Maine Revised Statutes, the School Board has determined that the hearing will be conducted by remote means and may be accessed by the public as follows:

To access the remote public hearing or to participate (provide comment/input): Follow the instructions to access and participate in the public hearing as provided on the Regional School Unit No. 24 website at: [www.rsu24.org](http://www.rsu24.org)

The following questions will be considered at a Regional School Unit No. 24 budget referendum election to be held on July 14, 2020.

**Question 1: School Budget.** Shall Regional School Unit No. 24 appropriate the sum of \$17,353,898.17 and raise the sum of \$13,005,084.79 for the 2020-2021 school budget?  
**School Board Recommends a “Yes” Vote.**

### VOTER INFORMATION FOR QUESTION 1

The Regional School Unit No. 24 school budget submitted in this Question 1 totals \$17,353,898.17. It includes locally raised funds in the amount of \$13,005,084.79, to be assessed in shares to member municipalities in accordance with the RSU’s cost sharing formula and state law. The locally raised amount exceeds the maximum state and local spending target by \$4,007,478.33. This budget includes these cost centers and amounts:

Cost Center	Amount Appropriated
Regular Instruction	\$ 7,029,762.63
Special Education	\$ 2,717,425.80
Career and Technical Education	\$ 51,826.28
Other Instruction	\$ 371,267.74
Student and Staff Support	\$ 1,271,338.21
System Administration	\$ 595,381.32
School Administration	\$ 1,084,963.82
Transportation and Buses	\$ 1,214,700.58
Facilities Maintenance	\$ 2,007,577.55
Debt Service and Other Commitments	\$ 859,654.24
All Other Expenditures	\$ 150,000.00
<b>Summary of Total Authorized School Budget Expenditures:</b>	<b>\$ 17,353,898.17</b>

**Question 2: Cost Center Transfers.** Shall the School Board be authorized to transfer amounts exceeding 5% of the total appropriation for any cost center to another cost center or

among other cost centers for the 2020-2021 fiscal year, provided that transfers shall not be permitted to increase the authorized total school budget?

**School Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.**

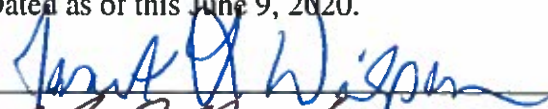




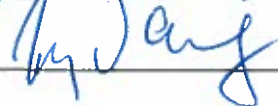

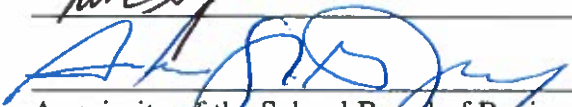
**Question 3: RSU Adult Ed Program.** Shall the Regional School Unit appropriate \$428,566.24 for adult education and raise \$239,145.30 as the local share, with authorization to expend any additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts in the interest and for the well-being of the adult education program?

**School Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.**

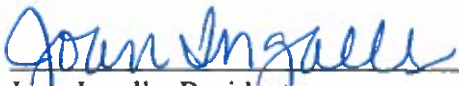
**Question 4: Capital Reserve Fund.** Shall the School Board be authorized to transfer up to \$400,000.00 from the ending balance of school operating funds for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020 to the existing capital improvements reserve fund?

**School Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.**

Dated as of this June 9, 2020.

A majority of the School Board of Regional School Unit No. 24

A true copy of the Notice of Public Hearing, attest:   
Joan Ingalls, Resident  
Regional School Unit No. 24