

SAMPLE BALLOT

BOARD OF EDUCATION CANDIDATES

Vote For Any Four (4)

Three (3) members for 3-year terms, from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2018.
One (1) member to fill the unexpired vacancy caused by Matthew McCoy's resignation, from May 20, 2015 to June 30, 2016.

- Robin Jacobowitz
- James Michael
- James F. Shaughnessy Jr.
- Danielle Guido
- Timothy J. O'Brien
- Frederick J. Wadnola

PROPOSITION 1: 2015-2016 Budget

Shall the Board of Education of the Kingston City School District, Ulster County, New York, be authorized to expend the sums of money which will be required for school district purposes for the 2015-2016 School Year, in the total amount of \$156,479,931 (the Budget), and to levy the necessary sum against the taxable real property in the School District?

PROPOSITION 2; Establish a Capital Reserve Fund

Shall the Board of Education of the Kingston City School District be authorized to establish a capital reserve fund, to be known as the Renovation, Reconstruction and Construction of District Buildings and Facilities Reserve Fund, which shall be used to pay some or all of the costs of performing of renovation, reconstruction and construction of District buildings and facilities, including planning costs and site work; the ultimate amount of the fund shall be \$10,000,000.00, with moneys to be transferred from: 1) appropriations identified within the general fund; 2) moneys transferred from unappropriated unassigned fund balance in the general fund; and/or 3) moneys transferred from existing reserves, all as permitted by law, over a period of 10 years?

SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET NOTICE

| Overall Budget Proposal | Budget Adopted for the 2014-15 School Year | Budget Proposed for the 2015-16 School Year | Contingency Budget for the 2015-16 School Year * |
|---|---|--|---|
| Total Budgeted Amount, Not Including Separate Propositions | \$150,168,875 | \$156,479,931 | \$155,265,176 |
| Increase/Decrease for the 2015-16 School Year | | \$6,311,056 | \$5,096,301 |
| Percentage Increase/Decrease in Proposed Budget | | 4.20% | 3.39% |
| Change in the Consumer Price Index | | 1.62% | |
| A. Proposed Tax Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount | \$97,180,401 | \$98,395,156 | |
| B. Levy to Support Library Debt, if Applicable | \$0 | \$0 | |
| C. Levy for Non-Excludable Propositions, if Applicable ** | \$0 | \$0 | |
| D. Total Tax Cap Reserve Amount Used to Reduce Current Year Levy | \$0 | \$0 | |
| E. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy (A + B + C - D) | \$97,180,401 | \$98,395,156 | \$ 97,180,401 |
| F. Permissible Exclusions to the School Tax Levy Limit | \$687,705 | \$625,000 | |
| G. School Tax Levy Limit, Excluding Levy for Permissible Exclusions | \$96,492,696 | \$99,008,797 | |
| H. Total Proposed Tax Levy for School Purposes, Excluding Permissible Exclusions and Levy for Library Debt, Plus Prior Year Tax Cap Reserve (E - B - F + D) | \$96,492,696 | \$97,770,156 | |
| I. Difference: (G - H); (Negative Value Requires 60.0% Voter Approval - See Note Below Regarding Separate Propositions) ** | \$0 | \$1,238,641 | |
| Administrative Component | \$8,892,501 | \$9,428,794 | \$9,171,844 |
| Program Component | \$127,598,684 | \$132,122,001 | \$131,524,196 |
| Capital Component | \$13,677,690 | \$14,929,136 | \$14,569,136 |

*Should the proposed budget be defeated twice, pursuant to Section 2023 of the Education Law, the district would be required to adopt a contingency budget for the 2015-2016 school year. To meet the contingent budget tax levy, \$1,214,755 would have to be cut from the proposed budget. Additions that resulted from an increase in State Aid and reductions in equipment, contractual expenses, materials and supplies would be necessary to meet the cap. Building repairs and maintenance would be restricted to emergency needs only. Additionally, the district would be required to charge all individuals for the use of school buildings.

**List Separate Propositions that are not included in the Total Budgeted Amount: (Tax Levy associated with educational or transportation services propositions are not eligible for exclusion and may affect voter approval requirements)

| Description | Amount |
|---|--------|
| Shall the Board of Education be authorized to establish a Capital Reserve Fund which shall be used to pay some or all of the costs of performing of renovation, reconstruction and construction of district buildings and facilities, including planning costs and site work; the ultimate amount of the fund shall be \$10,000,000, with moneys to be transferred from appropriations identified within the General Fund, moneys transferred from unappropriated, unassigned fund balance in the General Fund, and/or moneys transferred from existing reserves, as permitted by law, over a period of 10 years? | |

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| Estimated Basic STAR Exemption Savings ¹ | Under the Budget Proposed for the 2015-16 School Year |
| ¹ The basic school tax relief (STAR) exemption is authorized by section 425 of the Real Property Tax Law. | \$689 |

The annual budget vote for the fiscal year 2015-2016 by the qualified voters of the Kingston City School District, Ulster County, New York, will be held at the district's seven elementary schools on Tuesday, May 19, 2015 between the hours of 7:00 am and 9:00 pm, prevailing time in the district's seven elementary schools, at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting ballot or machine.

Kingston

CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF
EDUCATION
ELECTION/
BUDGET VOTE

MAY 19, 2015

7 AM to 9 PM *At All District
Elementary Schools*

Visit www.kingstoncityschools.org/vote or
Call District Clerk Camille DiPerna at 845-943-3003

The District encourages community members to visit our website.
Please call the District Clerk to request printed copies of the budget information.

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BOARD OF EDUCATION
ELECTION/BUDGET VOTE



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