

**NOTICE OF
PUBLIC HEARING AND ANNUAL MEETING
AND ELECTION OF SCHOOL BOARD TRUSTEES OF
THE BYRAM HILLS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing of the qualified voters of the Byram Hills Central School District, Westchester County, will be held in the board room of the Byram Hills School District, 10 Tripp Lane, Armonk, New York, in said School District, on the **4th day of May, 2021**, at 7:30 p.m., at which time a detailed statement in writing of the amount of money which will be required for the ensuing year for school purposes will be presented and the public will be heard.

Copies of such statement shall be available to residents within the District, upon request, during the seven (7) days immediately preceding such public hearing and at such public hearing. Copies may be obtained at each school building in the District between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. except Saturday and Sunday.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that elections will be held for the positions of member of the Board of Education now held by **Scott Levy and Michael Sanders**; each to be a three year term.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the voting will take place on both the appropriation of necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures for the **2021-2022** school year (the Budget), and for the election of **two** members of the Board of Education, by machine, at H. C. Crittenden Middle School, 10 MacDonald Avenue, Armonk, New York, between the hours of 6:30 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. on **May 18th, 2021**, during which time the polls will be kept open.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that, pursuant to Sections 2018 and 1804 of the Education Law, nomination for candidates for the position of member of the Board of Education shall be by petition. Any petition shall be directed to the Clerk of the School District; shall be signed by not less than twenty-five (25) qualified voters of the School District; shall state the name and residence address of the candidate and the residence address of each signer; and shall be filed with the Clerk of the School District between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. except Saturday and Sunday, and not later than Monday, **April 19th, 2021**, by 5:00 p.m.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that, pursuant to Section 2014 of the Education Law, the Board of Education, at a regular meeting duly held on March 1, 1976, revoked the requirements for personal registration. Any person, therefore, who possesses all of the following qualifications, may vote:

1. Is a citizen of the United States; and
2. Is eighteen (18) years of age or older; and
3. Has resided in the School District for a period of thirty (30) days immediately preceding the day of the vote;

provided, however, that no person excluded by the provision of Section 5-106 of the Election Law, shall have the right to vote. The School District may require all persons offering to vote at the budget vote and election 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.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that, pursuant to Section 2018-b of the Education Law, absentee ballots are available for any School District election and/or referenda. Any eligible voter who meets one of the listed categories may cast an absentee ballot:

- a) a patient in a hospital or is unable to vote because of illness or physical disability or;
- b) out of the city or county of residence on election day because of business or other duty, or studies or;
- c) on vacation outside of the city or county of residence on the day of the election or;
- d) is detained in jail awaiting trial and grand jury action or is in prison following a non-felony conviction.

Any person seeking an absentee ballot must complete an application stating the reason for absence at the time of the election. Written requests for absentee ballots must be made at least seven (7) days and no more than thirty (30) days prior to the election. Such application 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 picked up personally by the voter at the District Clerk's Office. No absentee ballot will be counted without the completed application. In order for the vote to be counted, the absentee ballot must be received by the School District Clerk by 5:00 p.m. on the Election Day. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots shall have been issued will be available in the said office of the clerk on each of the five days prior to the day of the election, during regular business hours. Any qualified voter may file a written challenge of the qualifications of a voter, whose name appears on such list, stating the reasons for the challenge.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that Military Voters who are qualified voters of the District may apply for a military ballot from the District Clerk at 10 Tripp Lane, Armonk, NY 10504, Telephone (914) 273-4198, Ext. 5931 or email: kseibert@byramhills.org, by no later than 5:00 P.M. on **April 22, 2021**. The Military Voter may indicate their preference for receiving the application for a military ballot by mail, by facsimile or electronic mail (email). Military ballots will be mailed or otherwise distributed no later than 25 days before the election. Military ballots must be received by the District Clerk (1) before the close of the polls on election day and showing a cancellation mark of the U.S postal service or a foreign country's postal service, or showing a dated endorsement of receipt by another agency of the U.S. government or (2) by 5:00 P.M. on election day and signed and dated by the military voter and one witness thereof, with a date which is ascertained to be not later than the day before the election. A military voter means a qualified voter of New York State who is in actual military service and will, therefore, be absent from the District in which he or she is qualified to vote on the day of registration or election or is discharged from military service within 30 days of an election or a spouse, parent, child or dependent of the military voter if a qualified voter of New York State and a resident of the same school district as the military voter or military personnel residing on a military base within a school district in New York State for a period of 30 days immediately preceding the election.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that pursuant to Section 2035 of the Education Law, the following rule shall be observed with regard to the submission of propositions or questions to the voters of the School District at the Public Meeting: a petition signed by at least one hundred (100) qualified voters of the School District, setting forth such proposition or question shall be presented to the Board of Education not later than thirty (30) days prior to the date set for such election; the Board of Education shall have the right to edit such proposition or question stated, for the purpose of and in the interest of brevity or clarity, or to reject a proposition if it is not within the power of the voters or is illegal.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that copies of the text of any proposition which will be presented to the voters at this Annual Election and copies of the statement of estimated expenses for the ensuing year (the Budget), including attachments and tax exemption reporting form will be made available at each schoolhouse in the District in which a school is maintained, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on each day other than a Saturday, Sunday or holiday during the fourteen days immediately preceding said Annual Election, and also on said Annual Election Day, and at any public or free association library located within the District. The Budget will also be available on the District's website.

**BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF BYRAM HILLS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Kelly E. Seibert, District Clerk**