

IMPORTANT 2024 BUDGET VOTE DATES TO REMEMBER:

Date	Event	Place	Time
Tuesday, February 6	Budget Work Session	CAS Library	7:00 pm
Tuesday, March 19	Budget Work Session	CAS Library	7:00 pm
Tuesday, April 9	Budget Work Session	CAS Library	7:00 pm
Tuesday, April 16	Board of Education Meeting – Budget Adoption	ERHS Auditorium	7:00 pm
Monday, April 22	Deadline for Filing Board Candidate Petitions	ERSD District Clerk’s Office	5:00 pm
Tuesday, May 14	Budget Hearing	CAS Library	7:00 pm
Tuesday, May 14	Deadline for Receipt of Absentee/Early Mail Ballot Applications for Ballot to be Mailed to voter	ERSD District Clerk’s Office	
Thursday, May 16	Last day to register with District to vote in election	ERSD District Clerk’s Office	3:00 pm
Monday, May 20	Deadline for Receipt of Absentee/Early Mail Ballot Applications for Personal Delivery of Ballot to Voter/Agent	ERSD District Clerk’s Office	4:00 pm
Tuesday, May 21	Budget Vote and Trustee Election	ERHS Gym	7:00 am-9:00 pm

REQUIREMENTS FOR VOTING: To be eligible to vote, you must be:

- A citizen of the United States
- 18 years of age or older
- A resident of the East Rockaway School District for at least 30 days prior to voting and who is not otherwise prohibited from voting under the provisions of Section 5-106 of the Election Law
- Registered as a voter with either the School District or the Nassau County Board of Elections for the national/state elections.

Voters who are registered with the county board of elections and voted within the past four years, are eligible to vote on Tuesday, May 21, 2024. If you are not registered to vote, you must register with the Nassau County Board of Elections or with the District Clerk, Monday through Friday from 8:00 am – 3:00 pm. For the May 21, 2024, budget vote and election, you must register no later than **Thursday, May 16, 2024**. You are not required to pay taxes, have children in school or own a home to be eligible to vote. Please contact the District Clerk at (516) 887-8300 Ext. 1-433 or at namayamoran@eastrockawayschools.org for further information.

EARLY MAIL BALLOT INFORMATION:

A new law allows voters to request an Application for an Early Mail Ballot. Applications must be completed on a form prescribed by the New York State Board of Elections. In the coming months, such applications should be available. As soon as they are available, we will post them on the School District's website https://eastrockawayschools.org/district/voter_registration_information and have them available at the District Clerk's office in the East Rockaway Jr./Sr. High School, between 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. on days when school is in session. Completed applications for early mail ballots must be received no later than May 14, 2024, seven (7) days before the election if the early mail ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the election if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter or to his or her designated agent. Early mail ballot applications will not be accepted before April 22, 2024. **Early mail voter's ballots must be received by the District Clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. on the day of the election to be canvassed.**

ABSENTEE BALLOT INFORMATION: In some cases, a voter may request to vote by absentee ballot. For example, if you are absent from the county of residence, ill, physically disabled or caring for an ill or physically disabled individual, hospitalized, an inmate or a patient of a veteran's administration hospital or in some cases detained in jail, awaiting action by a grand jury, or awaiting trial, you may apply for an absentee ballot. The first step required is to fill out the **Application for an Absentee Ballot**. The application is available in the District Clerk's Office, posted on the School District's website, and may be obtained by visiting the New York State Education Department's Website (<http://www.counsel.nysed.gov/common/counsel/files/absentee-ballot-application-and-instructions-english.pdf>, <http://www.counsel.nysed.gov/common/counsel/files/absentee-ballot-application-and-instructions-spanish.pdf>.) Completed applications must be received at least seven (7) days before the election if the ballot is to be mailed to the applicant, or the day before the election if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the applicant or to his or her designated agent. Absentee ballot applications will not be accepted by the District Clerk before April 22, 2024. **Completed absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk no later than 5:00 pm on May 21, 2024.**

MILITARY BALLOT INFORMATION: A military voter who is a qualified voter of the District may obtain a registration form by visiting the District's website at www.eastrockawayschools.org; contacting the District Clerk at 516-887-8300, Ext. 1-433, by facsimile 516-887-1802; email at namayamoran@eastrockawayschools.org; mail at 443 Ocean Avenue, East Rockaway, NY 11518; or in person during regular office hours or between the hours of 8:00 am and 3:00 pm. A military voter who is duly registered may apply for a military ballot by requesting an application from the District Clerk. Completed applications must be personally delivered or mailed to the District Clerk and received no later than 5:00 p.m. on April 25, 2024. Military ballots must be received by 5:00 p.m. on May 21, 2024, if signed and dated by the military voter and one witness thereto with a date which is not later than the day before the election, or not later than the close of the polls on May 21, 2024.