

**NOTICE OF ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
MEETING OF THE VOTERS OF THE
MEXICO CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE MEXICO CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that pursuant to a Resolution adopted by the Board of Education of the District on March 16, 2023, the Annual Meeting and Election of the qualified voters of said School District, County of Oswego, State of New York, will be held on May 16, 2023 from 12 noon to 9:00 P.M., prevailing time, in the polling places heretofore established for said school district, namely, the Mexico Elementary School Gymnasium, Academy Street, Mexico, New York, for voters registered in Election District 1, the New Haven Elementary School, State Route 104, New Haven, for voters registered in Election District 2, and the Palermo Elementary School, County Route 45, Palermo, for voters registered in Election District 3.

TAKE NOTICE that the Budget Hearing of said school district will be held at the Middle School Auditorium on Fravor Road, Village of Mexico, New York, on May 4, 2023, at 6:00 P.M. for the purpose of discussion of the expenditure of funds and of budgeting thereof. At that time and place a Meet the Candidates Night will also be held at which time candidates for the Board of Education will be welcome to speak.

TAKE NOTICE that the terms of office of present Board Members, Darlene E. Upcraft, Susan Teifke, and James F. Emery will expire on June 30, 2023, and that an election will be held on Tuesday, May 16, 2023, from 12 o'clock noon until 9 o'clock P.M., EST in the polling places established for said school district. The election will be held to elect successors to the vacancies so created for terms of three years and to vote upon the school budget for the year 2023-2024 and to vote on the propositions hereafter described.

TAKE NOTICE that nominating petitions for the nomination of candidates to fill the aforesaid vacancies are available in and may be obtained at the District Office, 16 Fravor Road, Suite A, Mexico, New York. Nominating petitions must be filed between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. on school days when the District Office is open and must be filed with the District Clerk at least 30 days prior to the date of the election, in this case, on or before Monday, April 17, 2023.

TAKE NOTICE that a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required for the ensuing year for school purposes, may be obtained by any voter of the District during the 14 days immediately preceding the Annual Election, except Saturday, Sunday, or a Holiday, between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 3:00 P.M., and on the date of the election, at each of the schoolhouses in the district.

TAKE NOTICE that at the Annual Meeting and Election, the following propositions and those properly submitted under the law will be presented to voters, with the proposed budget inserted following approval by the Board of Education.

PROPOSITION I
(Budget)

Shall the proposed budget for the Mexico Central School District as recommended by the Board of Education for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023, be adopted and shall the Board of Education be authorized to levy the necessary taxes, therefore?

PROPOSITION II
(Student Transport Vehicles)

Shall the Board of Education of the Mexico Central School District be authorized to purchase and finance five (5) student transport vehicles, including necessary furnishings, fixtures and equipment and all other costs incidental thereto, and expend a total sum not to exceed \$700,000, which is estimated to be the total maximum cost thereof, and said amount, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of said School District and collected in annual installments as provided by Section 416 of the Education Law; and, in anticipation of such tax, obligations of said School District, in the principal amount not to exceed \$700,000, shall be issued.

CANDIDATES FOR THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

To elect three (3) members to the Board of Education for three (3) year terms (7/1/23 – 6/30/26). The seats are presently held by Darlene E. Upcraft, Susan Teifke, and James F. Emery.

TAKE NOTICE that voting upon the foregoing Propositions will be by paper ballots and will take place on May 16, 2023, from 12 noon to 9:00 P.M., prevailing time in the polling places established for said school district.

TAKE NOTICE that qualified voters may obtain applications for absentee ballots from the office of the Clerk of the School District. Completed applications for absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk of the School District no later than 4:00 P.M. prevailing time, on May 15, 2023, and must be received no later than 4:00 P.M., prevailing time, on May 9, 2023, if the absentee ballot is to be mailed to the voter. Completed applications received after 4:00 P.M. on May 9, 2023, will require the voter to personally appear at the Office of the Clerk of the School District to receive an absentee ballot. A listing of all persons to whom an absentee ballot is issued will be available for inspection by any qualified voter during regular business hours in the Office of the Clerk of the School District through May 17, 2023, and shall also be posted at the polling places for the Annual Meeting.

TAKE NOTICE that military voters who are not currently registered may apply to register as a qualified voter of the School District by requesting to be registered by the District Clerk at 315-963-8400 ext. 5401 or HRice@mexicocsd.org. Registered, qualified voters of the School District may apply for a military ballot by requesting an application from the District Clerk at the phone number or email listed above. For a military voter to be issued a military ballot, the District Clerk must have received a valid ballot application no later than 5:00 pm on April 20, 2023. 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 email.

TAKE NOTICE that a qualified voter of the District shall vote only at the polling place for the election district in which such voter resides, and no person shall be entitled to vote at such election whose name does not appear on the Register of the School District. Registration of otherwise unregistered voters shall take place at the District Office, 16 Fravor Rd. Suite A, Mexico, New York, between the hours of 10:00 A.M. and 2:00 P.M. on any day when school is in session up to but not later than 2:00 P.M. on May 11, 2023. Any resident whose name currently appears on said register or on the register of the Oswego County Board of Elections for permanent personal registration or who has voted in any annual or special election within the four calendar years preceding 2023 need not register.