


# SAMPLE BALLOT



**OFFICIAL BALLOT  
ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION  
DEERFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
MARCH 14, 2023**

*Handwritten Signature*  
SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK

## INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

- A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this: 
- B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.
- C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.

<p><b>SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER</b></p> <p>Vote for not more than Two (2)</p> <p>Three Year Term</p> <p><b>BOBBY-ANN DOSTIE</b></p> <p><b>STACEY MARCHIONNI</b></p> <p><b>ELLEN O'DONNELL</b></p> <p><b>KENDRA COHEN</b></p>		<p><b>SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER</b></p> <p>Vote for not more than One (1)</p> <p>One Year Term</p> <p><b>DANIELLE K. PALMER</b></p> <p><b>WILLIAM "BILL" MONNIE</b></p>		<p><b>SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK</b></p> <p>Vote for not more than One (1)</p> <p>One Year Term</p> <p><b>KAYLA STANKARD</b></p>	
<p>(Write-in)</p> <p>(Write-in)</p> <p>(Write-in)</p> <p>(Write-in)</p>		<p>(Write-in)</p>		<p>(Write-in)</p>	
<p><b>SCHOOL TREASURER</b></p> <p>Vote for not more than One (1)</p> <p>One Year Term</p> <p><b>ERIK GROSS</b></p>		<p><b>SCHOOL MODERATOR</b></p> <p>Vote for not more than One (1)</p> <p>One Year Term</p> <p><b>DAN HOLDRIDGE</b></p>		<p>(Write-in)</p> <p>(Write-in)</p>	
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## ARTICLES

1. Shall the Deerfield School District raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling, **Fifteen Million, Eight Hundred Eighty Six Thousand, Three Hundred Ninety Dollars (\$15,886,390)?** Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be **Fifteen Million, Eight Hundred Twenty-Three Thousand, One Hundred Seventy-Four Dollars (\$15,823,174)** which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Deerfield School District, or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. Majority vote required.

**YES** ☐

**NO** ☐

*School Board Recommends Approval [5-0-0]  
Budget Committee Recommends Approval [8-2-0]*

*If passed, the new estimated tax rate will be **\$16.58** [per thousand], which will result in a **\$0.87** increase over the previous year school tax rate.*

[Note: Warrant Article #1 (operating budget article) does not include appropriations from separate Warrant Articles.]

2. Shall the Deerfield School District vote to approve the cost items set forth in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Deerfield School Board and the Deerfield Education Association for the 2023/24, 2024/25, 2025/26, and 2026/27 fiscal years, which calls for the following estimated increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

2023/24	\$223,437
2024/25	\$228,752
2025/26	\$234,011
2026/27	\$239,484

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$223,437 for the 2023/24 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels? Majority vote required.

**YES** ☐

**NO** ☐

**School Board Recommends Approval [5-0-0]**  
**Budget Committee Recommends Approval [10-0-0]**

[Estimated tax impact of this article is \$.29 per thousand]

**VOTE BOTH SIDES OF BALLOT**

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## ARTICLES CONTINUED

3. Shall the Deerfield School District, if Article #2 is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article # 2 cost items only?	YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/>
4. Shall the District approve, subject to approval by the State Board of Education pursuant to RSA 194:22, an agreed revision and extension of the current tuition agreement between the Deerfield School District and the Concord School District, currently set to expire on June 30, 2024 which provides for an initial term beginning on July 1, 2024 ending on June 30, 2036 with an option to extend the agreement for an additional eight years through June 30, 2044, and requires Deerfield to send at least 90% of Deerfield's assignable high school students to Concord at a tuition rate determined by the most recently reported per pupil cost (excluding transportation and special education costs) of operating Concord High School increased by the 5 year average increase in those operational costs; and further authorize the School Board to take such other and further acts necessary to give effect to this vote, including the adoption of minor amendments to the Tuition Agreement as the board determines are necessary during the term of the agreement without further action by the School District Meeting?	YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/>
5. Shall the School District vote to establish a <b>Building Renovation and Site Improvement Fund</b> under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of renovating the Deerfield Community School, modernizing its systems and making site improvements and to raise and appropriate the sum of up to <b>One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000)</b> to be placed in this Fund, this sum to come from the June 30,2023 unreserved fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2023? Further to name the School Board as agents to expend from said fund. Majority vote required. <b>No amount to be raised from additional taxation.</b>	YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/> <div>School Board Recommends Approval [4-0-0] Budget Committee Recommends Approval [8-2-0]</div>
6. Shall the Deerfield School District, vote to raise and appropriate the sum of, <b>Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000)</b> to be placed in the <b>School Building Repair Trust Fund</b> for the purpose of school building repair and future replacement at Deerfield Community school? Majority Vote Required.	YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/> <div>School Board Recommends Approval [4-0-0] Budget Committee Recommends Approval [10-0-0]</div>
7. Shall the Deerfield School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of <b>One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000)</b> to be placed in <b>Special Education Trust Fund</b> , this sum to come from the June 30, 2023 unreserved fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2023? Majority vote required. <b>No amount to be raised from additional taxation.</b>	YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/> <div>School Board Recommends Approval [4-0-0] Budget Committee Recommends Approval [5-5-0]</div>
8. Shall the Deerfield School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of <b>One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000)</b> to be placed in <b>School-Facility Paving Plan Expendable Trust Fund</b> , this sum to come from the June 30, 2023 unreserved fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2023? Majority vote required. <b>No amount to be raised from additional taxation.</b>	YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/> <div>School Board Recommends Approval [4-0-0] Budget Committee Recommends Approval [10-0-0]</div>
9. Shall the Deerfield School District vote to rescind the provisions of RSA 40:13 (known as SB 2), adopted by the Deerfield School District on March 8, 2005, so that the official ballot will no longer be used for voting on all questions, but only for the election of officers and certain other questions for which the official ballot is required by state law ? [3/5 majority vote required]	YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/>
10. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Deerfield School Board to work jointly with the Deerfield Select Board on a solar energy project for the purpose of powering the school and the town buildings to reduce energy costs. [This article is submitted by petition].	YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/>
11. Shall the Deerfield School District enter into contracts and tuition agreements with more than one public high school for the purpose of accommodating high school choice. The Deerfield School District will budget for and pay the full tuition for students to attend an approved public high school of their choice. This article is advisory only, if passed. [This article is submitted by petition].	YES <input type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/>

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