

STATE OF MAINE
REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT NO. 13
RSU BUDGET REFERENDUM
OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR THE TOWN OF OWLS HEAD
JUNE 8, 2021

Chair of the School Board

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS:

Vote "yes" or "no" by making a cross (X) or check mark (✓) in the square of your choice at the left of each article.

Yes No Article 1: School Budget. Shall Regional School Unit No. 13 appropriate the sum of \$33,047,900.00 and raise the sum of \$26,768,121.76 for the 2021-2022 school budget? School Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

VOTER INFORMATION FOR ARTICLE 1

The Regional School Unit No. 13 school budget submitted in this Article 1 totals \$33,047,900.00. It includes locally raised funds in the amount of \$26,768,121.76, to be assessed in shares to member municipalities in accordance with the RSU's cost sharing formula and state law. The locally raised amount exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model by \$8,551,807.55. This budget includes these cost centers and amounts:

Table with 2 columns: Cost Center, Amount Appropriated. Rows include Regular Instruction, Special Education, Career and Technical Education, Other Instruction, Student and Staff Support, System Administration, School Administration, Transportation and Buses, Facilities Maintenance, Debt Service and Other Commitments, All Other Expenditures, and Summary of Total Authorized School Budget Expenditures.

Yes No Article 2: RSU Nutrition Program: Shall the RSU be authorized to raise and appropriate \$300,000 for the school nutrition program with authorization to expend any additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts in the interest and for the well-being of the school nutrition program? School Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

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Yes No

Article 3: RSU Adult Ed Program. Shall the RSU be authorized to appropriate **\$295,500** for adult education and raise **\$210,000** as the local share, with authorization to expend any additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts in the interest and for the well-being of the adult education program?
School Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

Yes No

Article 4: Cost Center Transfers. Shall the School Board be authorized to transfer amounts exceeding 5% of the total appropriation for any cost center to another cost center or among other cost centers for the 2021-2022 fiscal year, provided that transfers shall not be permitted to increase the authorized total school budget?
School Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

Yes No

Article 5: Capital Reserve Fund. Shall the School Board be authorized to transfer up to **\$100,000** from available fund balances to the Capital Reserve Fund and to expend **\$50,000** from said reserve fund for unanticipated minor capital projects?
School Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

Yes No

Article 6: New Special Education Reserve Fund. Shall the School Board be authorized to establish a Special Education Reserve Fund to pay unexpected 1-time special education costs, and to transfer up to **\$100,000** from available fund balances to said reserve fund?
School Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

Yes No

Article 7: Fuel Cost Stabilization Fund. Shall the School Board be authorized to transfer up to **\$50,000** to the fuel cost stabilization fund from year end available fund balances?
Statutory Disclosure Statement relating to Fuel Cost Stabilization Fund: The fuel cost stabilization fund balance is currently \$0. If this article is approved as written, the fuel cost stabilization fund balance will be \$50,000. The amount used from the fuel cost stabilization fund in the last three years through the date this article was prepared is as follows:

Fiscal year 2020-2021: Zero (no fund available)
Fiscal year 2019-2020: Zero (no fund available)
Fiscal year 2018-2019: \$40,587.07

School Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

Yes No

Article 8: CTE Region Budget. Shall the Region 8 career and technical education operating budget as approved by the Region 8 Cooperative Board for the year beginning July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 be approved in the amount of **\$5,446,304**?
The RSU's share of the Region 8 budget, including debt service, is \$554,740.06.

Yes No

Article 9: CTE Region Adult Ed Budget. To see if Region 8 will appropriate **\$236,200.00** for Adult Education for the year beginning July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 and raise **\$89,000.00** with authorization to expend any additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts in the interest and well-being of its adult education program.
The RSU's share of Region 8's adult education budget is \$22,491.03.

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