

# SAMPLE BALLOT



**OFFICIAL BALLOT**  
**ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING**  
 TOWN OF  
**PELHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
 March 12, 2024

*Samielle Hilob*  
 SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

- To vote, fill in the oval(s)  opposite your choice(s) like this
- To write-in a candidate not on the ballot, write the name on the line provided for the office and fill in the oval  opposite the write-in line, like this

**SCHOOL OFFICIALS**

**For School Board Member**

THREE YEAR TERM Vote for TWO

**GARRETT ABARE**

**REBECCA CUMMINGS**

**JOHN RUSSELL**

**GREG ST. JEAN**

**TIMOTHY TRETTEL**

(WRITE-IN)

(WRITE-IN)

**For School District Moderator**

THREE YEAR TERM Vote for ONE

**DOUG VINCENT**

(WRITE-IN)

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**SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT**

**ARTICLE 1 – Operating Budget**

Shall the Pelham 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 of the annual school district meeting, for the purposes set forth herein, totaling Forty-One Million, Seven Hundred Sixty-Eight Thousand, Four Hundred Fifty-Three Dollars (\$41,768,453)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Forty-One Million, Five Hundred Three Thousand, Four Hundred Forty-Two Dollars (\$41,503,442), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Pelham School District or by law; or the Pelham School Board 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)

**Recommended by the School Board (5-0-0)**  
**Not Recommended by the Budget Committee (4-5-0)**

YES   
 NO

**ARTICLE 2 – Pelham Education Association Collective Bargaining Agreement**

Shall the Pelham School District vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Pelham School District and the Pelham Education Association (PEA) that calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits over the amount paid in the prior fiscal year at current staffing levels:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Estimated Increase</u>
2024-2025	\$ 931,677
2025-2026	\$ 635,257
2026-2027	\$ 689,791

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Hundred Thirty-One Thousand, Six Hundred Seventy-Seven Dollars (\$931,677) for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement that would be paid at current staffing levels? (Majority vote required)

**Recommended by the School Board (4-0-0)**  
**Recommended by the Budget Committee (9-0-0)**

YES   
 NO