

**NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF THE
DeRUYTER CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Notice is given that the Public Budget Hearing of the DeRuyter Central School District for the purpose of discussion of the expenditure and budgeting of funds for the 2024-2025 will be held in the Library/Media Center of the DeRuyter Central School, 711 Railroad Street, DeRuyter, NY on Tuesday, May 14, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Savings Time.

Notice is also given that the Annual Meeting and Election to elect Board of Education member(s), and to vote upon the propositions and appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures for the 2024-2025 school year, will be held on Tuesday, May 21, 2024 by paper ballot in the Large Gym Foyer of the Main Building between the hours of 12:00 noon and 9:00 pm. The following propositions will be up for vote:

Proposition No. 1- 2024-25 School Budget:

Shall the Board of Education adopt a budget for the DeRuyter Central School District in the amount of \$12,360,748 for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2024?

Proposition No. 2- Bus Proposition:

Shall the Board of Education of the DeRuyter Central School District be authorized to purchase and finance one (1) 36-passenger wheelchair school bus and one (1) 48-passenger school bus, including necessary furnishings, fixtures and equipment and all other costs incidental thereto, and expend a total sum not to exceed \$348,000, 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 \$348,000, shall be issued.

Proposition No. 3- Library Contribution:

Shall the annual appropriation for the DeRuyter Free Library within the DeRuyter Central School District be increased from its current level of \$41,187 per year to \$41,404 per year, such sum to be raised by levy of a tax upon the taxable property of the District?

Proposition No. 4- Recreation Youth Program:

Shall the Board of Education of the DeRuyter Central School District be authorized to expend \$20,000 for the district-wide recreation program administered by the Village of DeRuyter for the 2024-2025 school year, such sum to be raised by levy of a tax upon the taxable property of the District?

Notice is also given that a copy of the statement of the amount of monies required for the 2024-2025 school year for school purposes may be obtained upon request on and after April 21, 2024 by contacting the District Clerk at 315-852-3400 x 7403 or hayes@deruytercentral.org. Residents may obtain a copy of the proposed budget at any district schoolhouse or on the District's website, www.deruytercentral.org, on and after May 14, 2024.

Notice is also given that one (1) member of the Board of Education will be elected due to the expiration of the term of member, Dean Hathaway.

Notice is also given that the candidates for the office of Member of the Board of Education shall be nominated by petition. A separate petition shall be required to nominate each candidate. Petitions may be obtained from the Clerk of the District. Each petition must be directed to the Clerk of the District, must be signed by at least 25 qualified voters of the District, must state the name and residence of the candidate and must state the residence of each signer.

Notice is also given that petitions nominating candidates for the office of Member of the Board of Education must be filed in the office of the Clerk of the District between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., but no later than 5:00 p.m. on April 22, 2024 except Saturday, Sunday, or holiday.

Notice is also given that the DeRuyter Central School Board of Education has adopted personal voter registration for all eligible voters residing in the DeRuyter Central School District.

Notice is also given that the District's Board of Registration will meet in the office of the Clerk of the District at DeRuyter Central School, 711 Railroad Street, DeRuyter, NY in Room 108 on Monday, April 15, 2024 between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. and on Friday, May 3, 2023 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. for the purpose of preparing a register. Any person who is currently enrolled in county personal registration is automatically enrolled in the school personal registration and will not have to attend the sign-up sessions noted above. Any person who is not currently enrolled in the county personal registration shall be entitled to have his or her name placed upon the register on the dates noted above provided that at such meetings of the Board of Registration, he or she must present himself or herself personally for registration and upon proving that he or she is entitled to vote in the District, may have his or her name placed on the register at that time. To be entitled to vote in the District, a person must be a citizen of the United States, must be at least eighteen years of age, and must be a resident of the District for a period of thirty (30) days prior to May 21, 2024. The register of voters will be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the District and will be open for inspection by any qualified voter of the District between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. on any day when the office is open for business beginning May 8, 2024 and each day prior to the day set for election and at the polling place(s) on the day of the vote.

Notice is also given that qualified voters may obtain applications for absentee ballots or early voting ballots from the office of the Clerk of the School District. Completed applications for absentee ballots or early voting ballots must be received by the District Clerk of the School District no later than 5:00 P.M. prevailing time, on May 14, 2024, and the application must be received no later than 4:00 P.M., prevailing time, on May 8, 2024 if the absentee ballot is to be mailed to the voter. Completed applications received after 4:00 P.M. on May 8, 2024, 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 21, 2024.

Notice is also given that military voters who are qualified voters of the School District may apply for a military ballot by requesting an application from the District Clerk at 315-852-3400 ext. 7403 or hayes@deruytercentral.org. For a military voter to be issued a military ballot, the District Clerk must have received a valid ballot application no later than 4:00 pm on April 25, 2024. 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 electronic mail.

Dated: 4/17/2024
DeRuyter, NY
By the Order of the Board of Education
DeRuyter Central School District
By: Juanita Hayes, District Clerk