

**NOTICE OF
ANNUAL MEETING, BUDGET VOTE, AND ELECTION
GOUVERNEUR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a public hearing of the qualified voters of the Gouverneur Central School District, St. Lawrence County, Gouverneur, New York, will be held in the High School Auditorium, in said District at 133 East Barney Street, on May 13, 2024 at 5:30 PM prevailing time, for the presentation of the 2024-2025 budget. The budget will be available for review on May 7, 2024 at the Gouverneur Central School Business Office and each school building office, during regular business hours.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the annual meeting of the qualified voters of the Gouverneur Central School District of the Town of Gouverneur St. Lawrence County, New York, will be held at the High School Auditorium in said District at 133 East Barney Street, on Tuesday, May 21, 2024 between the hours of 12:00 PM and 8:00 PM, prevailing time, at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting by ballot or machine upon the following items:

1. To adopt the annual budget of the School District for the fiscal year 2024-2025 and to authorize the requisite portion thereof to be raised by taxation on the taxable property of the District.
2. To allow a high school student to continue to serve as an ex officio, non-voting member of the Gouverneur Central School District Board of Education subject to the requirements of the Education Law.
3. To elect four (4) members of the Board, three (3) for three-year full terms commencing July 1, 2024, and expiring on June 30, 2027, to succeed Laurie M. Roberts, whose term expires on June 30, 2024; Nickolas Ormasen, whose term expires on June 30, 2024; and Laura Spicer, whose term expires on June 30, 2024; and one (1) for a term commencing May 22, 2024, and expiring on June 30, 2025, to succeed Lisa McGregor, whose term expires on May 21, 2024.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required to fund the School District's budget for 2024-2025, exclusive of public monies, may be obtained by any resident of the District during business hours at the District School Buildings on each day other than a Saturday, Sunday or holiday during the fourteen days immediately preceding such meeting of voters.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education shall be filed with the Clerk of said School District at her office in the Gouverneur District Offices at 133 East Barney Street, not later than Monday, April 22, 2024 by 5:00 PM, prevailing time. Each petition shall be directed to the Clerk of the District and shall be signed by at least twenty-five (25) voters of the District and must state the name and residence of the candidate. Each vacancy is not a separate specific office.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application for absentee ballots will be obtainable between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM Monday through Friday, except holidays, from the District Clerk. Completed applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the election, if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. Absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk not later than 5:00 PM, prevailing time on Tuesday, May 21, 2024.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application for early mail ballots will be obtainable between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM Monday through Friday, except holidays, from the District Clerk. Completed applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the election, if the ballot is to

be delivered personally to the voter. Early mail ballots must be received by the District Clerk not later than 5:00 PM, prevailing time on Tuesday, May 21, 2024.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY 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 315-287-4870 (Option 8, 1) or kennedy.tatia@gcsk12.org. 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 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.

A list of persons to whom absentee ballots, early mail ballots, and military ballots are issued will be available for inspection to qualified voters of the District in the office of the District Clerk on and after May 16, 2024 between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM on weekdays prior to the day set for the annual election and May 21, 2024, the day set for the election. Any qualified voter present in the polling place may object to voting of the ballot upon appropriate grounds for making his/her challenge and the reasons therefore known to the Inspector of Election before the close of polls.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the qualified voters of the School District shall be entitled to vote at said annual vote and election. A qualified voter is one who is (1) a citizen of the United States of America, (2) eighteen years of age or older, and (3) resident within the School District for a period of thirty (30) days preceding the annual vote and election. The School District may require all persons offering to vote at the budget vote and election to provide one form of proof of residency pursuant to Education Law §2018-c. Such form may include a driver's license, a non-driver identification card, a utility bill, or a voter registration card. Upon offer of proof of residency, the School District may also require all persons offering to vote to provide their signature, printed name and address.

Tatia Z. Kennedy, District Clerk
March 18, 2024
Gouverneur Central School District
133 East Barney Street
Gouverneur NY 13642