

LEGAL PUBLICATION


NOTICE OF SPECIAL SCHOOL ELECTION

Public notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of the Community School District, Fort Dodge, Webster County, Iowa, that a special school election will be held in and for said School District on the 8th day of September, 2020.

The polls of said election will be open from seven o'clock A.M. until eight o'clock P.M., Central Daylight Time. For the Fort Dodge Community School District Special Election to be held on September 8, 2020, a voting center will be available. Any registered voter of Fort Dodge School District may vote at the following site in this election:

**Fort Dodge Community School District
Central Office
109 N 25th St
Fort Dodge, Iowa**

The ballot to be used at said election shall be substantially the following form:

1	OFFICIAL BALLOT		
<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 80px; height: 20px; margin: 0 auto;"></div> Precinct official initials	Fort Dodge School Special Election September 8, 2020		
<p>INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER</p> <p>1. Voting Mark. To vote, fill in the oval next to your choice.</p> <p>(<input type="radio"/>) CANDIDATE NAME (<input checked="" type="radio"/>) CANDIDATE NAME</p> <p>2. Write-in votes: To vote for a person whose name is not on the ballot, write the name on the write-in line below the list of Candidates AND fill in the oval next to it.</p> <p>3. Use only black pen to mark your ballot, unless another marking device is provided by an election official.</p> <p>4. For an affirmative vote upon any question submitted upon this ballot, blacken the response to the left of the word 'YES'. For a negative vote, blacken the response next to the word 'NO'.</p> <p>5. Do not cross out. If you change your mind, exchange your ballot for a new one.</p> <p>6. After voting, put the ballot into the Ballot Secrecy Folder. Take it to the voting machine and insert the ballot.</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> Fort Dodge School Public Measure A </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> Shall the following Public Measure A be adopted? </div> <p>Summary: To adopt a Revenue Purpose Statement specifying the use of revenues the Fort Dodge Community School District will receive from the State of Iowa Secure an Advanced Vision for Education Fund.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> Fort Dodge School Public Measure B </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> Shall the following Public Measure B be adopted? </div> <p>Shall the Board of Directors of the Fort Dodge Community School District, in the County of Webster, State of Iowa, for the purpose of purchasing and improving grounds; constructing schoolhouses or buildings and opening roads to schoolhouses or buildings; purchasing of buildings; purchase, lease or lease-purchase of technology and equipment; paying debts contracted for the erection or construction of schoolhouses or buildings, not including interest on bonds; procuring or acquisition of libraries; repairing, remodeling, reconstructing, improving, or expanding the schoolhouses or buildings and additions to existing schoolhouses; expenditures for energy conservation; renting facilities under Iowa Code Chapter 28E; purchasing transportation equipment for transporting students; lease purchase option agreements for school buildings or equipment; purchasing equipment authorized by law; or for any purpose or purposes now or hereafter authorized by law, be authorized for a period of ten (10) years to levy and impose a voter-approved physical plant and equipment tax of not exceeding One Dollar Thirty-four Cents (\$1.34) per One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) of assessed valuation of the taxable property within the school district, and be authorized annually, in combination, as determined by the board, to levy a physical plant and equipment property tax upon all the taxable property within the school district commencing with the levy of property taxes for collection in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, and to impose a physical plant and equipment income surtax upon the state individual income tax of each individual income taxpayer resident in the school district on December 31 for each calendar year commencing with calendar year 2024, or each year thereafter?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p>	
	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p style="text-align: center;">Fort Dodge School Board Directors To Fill A Vacancy</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Vote for no more than two)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Matthew Moritz</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Chrisstine Crooks-Rocha</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Dan Altman</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Diane Pratt</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Write-in vote, if any</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Write-in vote, if any</p> </div>	SAMPLE BALLOT	

“If a majority of eligible electors voting on the question fail to approve this Revenue Purpose Statement, then upon expiration of the current Revenue Purpose Statement, revenues received by the School District from the Secure an Advanced Vision for Education fund shall be expended in the following order:

The payment of bonds for which SAVE Revenue has been pledged;

Reduction of bond levies under Iowa Code Sections 298.18 and 298.18A and all other debt levies;

Reduction of the regular and voter-approved physical plant and equipment levy under Iowa Code Section 298.2;

Reduction of the public educational and recreational levy under Iowa Code Section 300.2;

For any authorized infrastructure purpose of the school district as defined in Iowa Code Section 423F.3(6); and

For the payment of principal and interest on bonds issued under Iowa Code Sections 423E.5 and 423F.4.”

The voting equipment will be tested and a public demonstration will be held at the Bank Building, 723 1st Avenue South, Fort Dodge, Iowa, on August 24, 2020 at 9:00 AM and continuing until completed. The public is welcome and invited to attend.

Pre-registered voters are required to provide an approved form of identification at the polling place before receiving and casting a regular ballot. Voters who are not pre-registered such, as voters registering to vote on Election Day-and voters changing precincts must also provide proof of residence. A voter who is unable to provide an approved form of identification (or prove residence if required) 1) may have voter’s identity/residence attested to by another registered voter in the precinct, 2) prove identity and residence using Election Day Registration documents, or 3) cast a provisional ballot and provide proof of identity/residence at the County Auditor’s office by 12:00 PM Thursday, September 10, 2020. Election Day Registrant attestors must provide an approved form of identification. For additional information about providing proof of identity and/or residence visit: https://sos.iowa.gov/voter_id_or_phone_515-573-7175.

Voter pre-registration deadline is 5:00 PM, August 28, 2020 at the Webster County Auditor’s office.

Absentee Ballots are available for In-Person voting in the Webster County Auditor’s Office, 701 Central Ave., Fort Dodge, Iowa from 8-4:30 Monday through Friday until September 4, 2020.

Absentee Ballot Request Forms to request an Absentee Ballot in the mail are available online at www.webstercountyia.org or call (515) 573-7175 to request one. The last day to mail an Absentee Ballot out will be August 28, 2020.

NOTICE: CURBSIDE VOTING

Any voter who is physically unable to enter a polling place has the right to vote in the voter’s vehicle. Please contact the County Auditor’s office for details and for information on absentee voting at the following:

Telephone – 515-573-7175

Email – auditor@webstercountyia.org

Regular Mail – 701 Central Avenue, Fort Dodge, Iowa 50501

Dated at Fort Dodge, Webster County, Iowa and given under my hand and seal on the 17th day of August, 2020.

Take due notice and govern yourself accordingly.

Doreen Pliner
Webster County Auditor and
Commissioner of Elections