

GREAT NECK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

2021–22 SCHOOL BUDGET VOTE

Tuesday, May 11, 2021 • 7 AM–10 PM




SCHOOL BUDGET VOTE DATE CHANGED TO MAY 11, 2021


The State Education Department has approved an appeal from the Great Neck Public Schools to change the date of this year's School District Election and Budget Vote to May 11, 2021.

According to New York State law, school districts are required to hold elections on the third Tuesday in May. This year, the election date of May 18 conflicts with the observance of the holiday Shavuot, so the Board of Education requested to change the election date to May 11, 2021.

UPCOMING BUDGET MEETINGS & ADOPTION DATES


Wednesday, April 7 at 7:30 PM
Informal Hearing via Zoom Webinar*

 Tuesday, April 13 at 7:30 PM
Official Hearing/Adoption of
Proposed Budget via Zoom Webinar*

 Wednesday, April 28 at 7:30 PM
Hearing (discussion only)
via Zoom Webinar*

*Hearing follows Student Recognition, which starts at 7:30 PM. Links for Zoom Webinars will be posted on the homepage of the district website (www.greatneck.k12.ny.us).

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 Tuesday, May 11 from 7 AM–10 PM
at E.M. Baker School, Lakeville School,
Saddle Rock School, and South High School

PUBLIC BUDGET MEETINGS

Residents are encouraged to virtually attend the budget meetings online (listed at left) and to respond to the preliminary budget. Final decisions on the budget will not be made until the Board listens to the community's comments. The preliminary budget can be found on the district website and at the Great Neck Library, all branches.

SCHOOL DISTRICT VOTER REGISTRATION

If you have voted in any school or general election between 2017 and 2020, you are registered to vote in the school election on Tuesday, May 11. Residents can confirm their registration status using the online Registration Verification tool on the district website (www.greatneck.k12.ny.us/voting) or by contacting the Office of the District Clerk (516-441-4020). If you are not registered, you may register if you are 18 years of age or older, a citizen of the United States, and have lived in the district for at least 30 days.

Voter registration is available through the Nassau County Board of Elections (www.nassaucountyny.gov/580/Voting-Info-Services or 516-571-VOTE) or at the Office of the District Clerk (Phipps Admin. Bldg., 345 Lakeville Rd.) on school days from 9 AM–4 PM. Please note that registration with the District Clerk only registers an individual to vote in Great Neck School District elections. **Residents must be registered by Thursday, May 6, to vote on Tuesday, May 11.**

APPLICATIONS FOR ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Qualified registered voters can obtain applications for absentee ballots from the district website (www.greatneck.k12.ny.us/voting) or by contacting the Office of the District Clerk on school days from 9 AM–4 PM (516-441-4020). **Applications for absentee ballots cannot be accepted until April 12.**

Residents who are qualified voters and whose registration records have been marked "permanently disabled" by the Board of Elections will automatically receive absentee ballots. **Completed absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk no later than 5 PM on Tuesday, May 11.**

POLLING LOCATIONS

There are four polling locations for school district elections: E.M. Baker School, Lakeville School, Saddle Rock School, and South High School. Residents who are unsure of their polling location may use the online Poll Place Finder tool on the district website (www.greatneck.k12.ny.us/voting) or contact the District Clerk.

VOTING RIGHTS ACT

Section 203 of the federal Voting Rights Act requires school districts in Nassau County to provide election information in English and Spanish. In accordance with this Act, print materials produced by the Great Neck Public Schools pertaining to the 2021–22 School District Election and Budget Vote will be distributed in both languages.

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION AND BUDGET VOTE ARE SET BY THE STATE.

The Great Neck Public Schools will continue to follow all guidance from the New York State Governor's Office. Any changes to dates and/or voting procedures as a result of the pandemic will be posted on the district website.

Questions or More Information: (516) 441-4020 or www.greatneck.k12.ny.us/budget