

REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT NO. 13
2020-2021 SCHOOL BUDGET NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TO: Jennifer Colby, a resident of Regional School Unit No. 13 (the "District") composed of the Towns of Cushing, Owls Head, Rockland, So. Thomaston, and Thomaston, State of Maine.

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify the voters of each of the municipalities within the District, namely, the Towns of Cushing, Owls Head, Rockland, So. Thomaston, and Thomaston, that a District Public Hearing will be held by remote participation at 6:00 p.m. on June 25, 2020 for the purpose of public participation in and receipt of public comment on the proposed 2020-2021 school budget and on the referendum questions set forth below. Pursuant to Title 1, section 403-A of the Maine Revised Statutes, the School Board has determined that the hearing will be conducted by remote means and may be accessed by the public as follows:

To access the remote public hearing or to participate (provide comment/input): Follow the instructions to access and participate in the public hearing as provided on the Regional School Unit No. 13 website at: rsu13.org

The following questions will be considered at a Regional School Unit No. 13 Budget Referendum election to be held on July 14, 2020.

Question 1: **School Budget.** Shall Regional School Unit No. 13 appropriate the sum of \$32,095,000.00 and raise the sum of \$26,223,380.18 for the 2020-2021 school budget?
School Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

VOTER INFORMATION FOR QUESTION 1

The Regional School Unit No. 13 school budget submitted in this Question 1 totals **\$32,095,000.00**. It includes locally raised funds in the amount of **\$26,223,380.18**, to be assessed in shares to member municipalities in accordance with the District's cost sharing formula and state law. The locally raised amount exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model by **\$7,468,810.52**. This budget includes these cost centers and amounts:

Cost Center	Amount Appropriated
Regular Instruction	\$ 11,369,800.00
Special Education	\$ 7,496,600.00
Career and Technical Education	\$ 59,600.00
Other Instruction	\$ 580,400.00
Student and Staff Support	\$ 2,653,400.00
System Administration	\$ 759,500.00
School Administration	\$ 1,499,900.00
Transportation and Buses	\$ 1,694,800.00
Facilities Maintenance	\$ 3,064,000.00
Debt Service and Other Commitments	\$ 2,517,000.00
All Other Expenditures	\$ 400,000.00
Summary of Total Authorized School Budget Expenditures:	\$ 32,095,000.00

Question 2: **District Adult Ed Program.** Shall the District be authorized to appropriate **\$299,500.00** for adult education and raise **\$210,000.00** as the local share, with authorization to expend any additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts in the interest and for the well-being of the adult education program?

School Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

Question 3: Region 8 Career and Technical Education Budget. Shall the regional career and technical operating budget as approved by the Region 8 Cooperative Board for the year beginning July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 be approved in the amount of \$5,644,046.00?

Local share from this school district is: **\$59,571.04**

Local share from this school district for Region 8 debt service: **\$513,883.05**

Question 4: Region 8 Adult Career and Technical Education Program. To see if the career and technical education region will appropriate **\$228,723.00** for Adult Education for the year beginning July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020 and raise **\$86,750.00** as the local share with authorization to expand any additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts in the interest and for the well-being of the Adult Education Program.

Local share from this school district is: **\$21,223.91**

Dated as of this June 10, 2020.

Loren Andrews, Chair

Carolyn Backlund

Chelsea Avirett

Douglas Curtis, Jr.

Mark Lewis

Thomas Peaco

Susan A. Thomas

Gerald Westland

Amy Williams-Beers

A majority of the School Board of REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT NO. 13

A true copy of the Notice of Public Hearing, attest:

Jennifer Colby, Resident
REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT NO. 13