

**State of New Hampshire
Merrimack Valley School District
WARRANT for
Annual District Meeting
March 6, 2020**

To the inhabitants of the pre-existing School Districts of Boscawen, Loudon, Penacook, Salisbury, and Webster comprising the Merrimack Valley School District, qualified to vote in Merrimack Valley School District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Merrimack Valley High School on Friday the 6th day of March next at seven o'clock in the afternoon to act on the following subjects. (The polls will be open for balloting on Articles I and II from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. except as otherwise ordered at the meeting. All other articles will be acted upon commencing at 7:00 p.m.)

ARTICLE I. To choose a moderator, by ballot, for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE II. To choose, by ballot, five school board members, one from the pre-existing District of Boscawen to serve for a term of three years; one from the pre-existing District of Loudon to serve for a term of three years; one from the pre-existing District of Penacook to serve for a term of three years; and one from any of the pre-existing Districts for the At-Large position to serve for a term of three years; and one from the pre-existing District of Salisbury for a term of two years. One elected candidate must be a resident of Boscawen, one elected candidate must be a resident of Loudon, one elected candidate must be a resident of Penacook, one elected candidate must be a resident of any of the five pre-existing towns and one elected candidate must be a resident of Salisbury. All candidates will be elected at large.

ARTICLE III. Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 (known as SB 2) to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the Merrimack Valley School District on the second Tuesday of March? **By Petition**

ARTICLE IV. To see if the School District will approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Merrimack Valley School Board and the Merrimack Valley Education Association, which calls for the following estimated increases in salaries and benefits:

2020-2021	\$ 833,843
2021-2022	\$ 399,676
2022-2023	\$ 413,585

And further, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$833,843 for the 2020-2021 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels. ***The School Board recommends this article.***

ARTICLE V. Shall the School District, if Article IV is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article IV cost items only? (Majority vote).

ARTICLE VI. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty One Million Eight Hundred Fifty Nine Thousand One Hundred Forty Dollars (\$41,859,140) for the support of schools, the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of said District, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the State's adequate education grants together with other income. The School Board shall certify to the selectmen of each of the towns of Boscawen, Loudon, Salisbury and Webster and the City Council of Concord for Penacook the amount to be raised by taxation of said municipalities. This article

does not include appropriations voted in other warrant articles. **The School Board recommends this article.**

ARTICLE VII. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000) with said funds to be deposited in the Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund for the purposes of maintaining school buildings and grounds. **The School Board recommends this article.**

ARTICLE VIII. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hand at said Penacook this 10th day of February 2020.

Merrimack Valley School Board

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