

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING
MATTITUCK-CUTCHOQUE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
SUFFOLK COUNTY, NEW YORK
(Mattituck-Laurel Library District)**

The Board of Education of the Mattituck-Cutchoque Union Free School District, Suffolk County, New York, **HEREBY GIVES NOTICE** that a special meeting of the qualified voters residing in the Mattituck-Laurel Library District (which lies within the boundaries of said School District) will be held at the Mattituck-Laurel Library, Main Road, Mattituck, New York, in said School District, on Tuesday, September 17, 2024 at 9:00 A.M., prevailing time, for the purpose of voting upon the proposition hereinafter set forth. Polls for the purpose of voting will be kept open between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M., prevailing time, to qualified voters residing in the Mattituck-Laurel Library District (which lies within the boundaries of the Mattituck-Cutchoque Union Free School District).

PROPOSITION

Shall the Board of Education of the Mattituck-Cutchoque Union Free School District be authorized to increase the approved appropriation of \$1,663,155.00 for the year 2024 to \$1,718,603.00 for the year 2025 for the benefit of the Mattituck-Laurel Library District which lies within the boundaries of the School District?

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the qualified voters will elect two (2) members of the Board of Trustees for three (3) year terms commencing November 18, 2024 and expiring November 8, 2027.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that petitions nominating a candidate for the office of Member of the Board of Trustees must be filed at the Mattituck-Laurel Library, Main Road, Mattituck, New York, between the hours of 10:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M., prevailing time, not later than July 22, 2024. Vacancies on the Board of Trustees are not considered separate offices; candidates run at large. Nominating petitions shall not describe any specific vacancy upon the Board of Trustees for which the candidate is nominated. Each petition must be directed to the Clerk of the District and must be signed by at least twenty-five (25) qualified voters of the District must state the name and residence of each signer, and must state the name and residence of the candidate.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required for the Mattituck-Laurel Library Operating Budget for the ensuing year may be obtained by any taxpayer in the Mattituck-Laurel Library District (which lies within the boundaries of the Mattituck-Cutchoque Union Free School District) during the fourteen (14) days immediately preceding the special meeting, except Saturday, Sunday or holidays at the Business Office of the School District, located in the Central Administration Offices, 385 Depot Lane, Cutchoque, New York, between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M., prevailing time, and also at the Mattituck-Laurel Library between the hours of 10:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M., prevailing time, Monday through Saturday.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that pursuant to Section 2014 of the Education Law and a prior resolution by the Board of Education, personal registration of voters will be held. A person shall not be entitled to vote at said meeting whose name does not appear on the register of said School District, or who is not currently registered from a residence address within the Mattituck-Laurel Library District (which lies within the boundaries of said School District) for general election purposes, on the registration list provided by the Suffolk County Board of Elections.

Registration for this meeting will be held in the Business Office of the School District, located in the Central Administration Offices, 385 Depot Lane, Cutchoque, New York, between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M., prevailing time, Monday through Friday on any business day until five (5) days preceding the Special District Meeting. Any person shall be entitled to have his name placed upon such register provided that he is known or proven to the satisfaction of the Board of Registration to be then or thereafter entitled to vote at said Special District Meeting for which such register is prepared. All persons residing in the Mattituck-Laurel Library District (which lies within the boundaries of said School District) who have previously registered for any annual or special meeting or election and who shall have voted at any annual or special meeting or election at any time within the four (4) calendar years prior to the year in which the registration is being prepared, shall be entitled to vote. In addition, any qualified voter of the School District who resides in the Mattituck-Laurel Library District (which lies within the boundaries of said School District), whose name appears on the Suffolk County voter registration lists as transmitted to the School District by the Suffolk County Board of Elections will also be entitled to vote.

Said register will be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the School District located at the Business Office of the School District, in the Central Administration Offices, 385 Depot Lane, Cutchogue, New York, where said register will be open for inspection by any qualified voter of the Mattituck-Laurel Library District (which lies within the boundaries of said School District) between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M., prevailing time, on each of the five (5) days prior to the date set for said special district vote, except Sunday.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that early mail and absentee ballots shall be made available in accordance with the provisions of Section 2018-e and Section 2018-a, respectively, of the Education Law. Applications for such early mail and absentee ballots may be obtained at the office of the School District Clerk no earlier than thirty (30) days prior to the vote. The District Clerk must receive the early mail or absentee ballot application at least seven (7) days before the date of the vote, if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the vote, if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. A list of all persons to whom early mail and absentee ballots shall have been issued will be available in the said office of the Clerk between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M., prevailing time, Monday through Friday on any business day up to and including the day set for the vote.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that military voters who are not currently registered may apply to register as a qualified voter of the school district and Mattituck-Laurel Library District. Military voters who are qualified voters of the school district and Mattituck-Laurel Library District may submit an application for a military ballot. Military voters may designate a preference to receive a military voter registration, military ballot application or military ballot by mail, facsimile transmission, or electronic mail in their request for such registration, ballot application or ballot. Military voter registration forms and military ballot application forms must be received in the Office of the District Clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. on August 22, 2024. No military ballot will be canvassed unless it is (1) received in the Office of the District Clerk before the close of the polls on election day and showing a cancellation mark of the United States postal service or a foreign country's postal service, or showing a dated endorsement of receipt by another agency of the United States government; or (2) received by the Office of the District Clerk by no later than 5:00 p.m. on election day and signed and dated by the military voter and one witness thereto, with a date which is associated to be not later than the day before the election.

By Order of the Board of Education
Lisa M. Bieber, District Clerk
Mattituck-Cutchogue Union Free School District,
Suffolk County, New York
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