



OSSINING UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Dr. Raymond Sanchez
Superintendent of Schools

May 8, 2020

Dear Ossining Staff & Community:

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 202.26 signed by Governor Cuomo on May 1, 2020, the Annual District Budget Vote and Board of Education Elections will be held on Tuesday, June 9, 2020. This also includes the Ossining Public Library.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this year the vote will be conducted **entirely by Absentee Ballot**. The requirement to complete an application has been suspended. Absentee Ballots will be automatically mailed to qualified voters in the District with a postage paid return envelope to assist the community with returning the Absentee Ballot by mail.

Absentee Ballots will be in both English and Spanish and will contain two propositions pertaining to the Ossining School District budget and the Ossining Public Library budget. The Absentee Ballots will also contain the names of individuals running for three (3) seats on the Ossining Board of Education and the names of the individuals running for two (2) seats on the Ossining Public Library Board of Directors.

Upon receipt of the Absentee Ballot:

- Voters must complete the Absentee Ballot
- Insert the Absentee Ballot into the affirmation envelope and seal it
- The voter must write their name and address on the affirmation envelope and sign where indicated on the envelope
- The voter must insert the signed affirmation envelope into the postage paid return envelope addressed to the District Clerk and mail it as soon as possible.

Please note that Absentee Ballots must be received by the District Clerk ***no later than 5:00 p.m. on June 9, 2020***. Inspectors will assist with the canvassing of the Absentee Ballots in the Park School Cafeteria. The required health and safety measures will be in place to protect our vote workers.

During this time of social distancing and quarantine, there will be no personal voter registration held at school district offices. Prospective voters may register to vote with the Westchester County Board of Elections by completing an online registration application with the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles at <https://dmv.ny.gov/more-info/electronic-voter-registration-application>.

Important Dates:

- The next Board of Education meeting will take place on Tuesday, May 12, 2020.
- The Budget Hearing will be held on Tuesday, May 19, 2020.

Members of the community are encouraged to contact the District Clerk for further information via email at: iortiz@ossiningufsd.org

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Raymond Sanchez', written in a cursive style.

Dr. Raymond Sanchez

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