

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION
TO AUTHORIZE THE DISTRICT TO ISSUE BONDS TO FUND SCHOOL
CONSTRUCTION**

A special election will be held on December 8, 2009, in the Appoquinimink School District in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 21 of Title 14 of the Delaware Code, in order to permit the District voters to vote for or against the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$16,162,200 to provide funds for the following purposes: (state bonds will finance approximately \$48,486,900):

New Elementary School	Cost	
Planning, constructing and equipping of a new 840 student elementary school on a 273-acre site off of Old State Road.	State	\$30,981,000
	Local	<u>10,327,000</u>
	Total	\$41,308,000
New Early Childhood Center	Cost	
Planning, constructing and equipping of a new 330 student early childhood center on a 273-acre site off of Old State Road.	State	\$ 8,249,000
	Local	<u>2,749,600</u>
	Total	\$10,998,600
Renovations to Olive B. Loss Elementary School	Cost	
Planning, constructing and equipping of selected interior and exterior renovations. Include a four-classroom addition and expansion of kitchen/serving area and multi-purpose room.	State	\$ 3,035,200
	Local	<u>1,011,700</u>
	Total	\$ 4,046,900
Renovations to Townsend Elementary School	Cost	
Planning, constructing and equipping of selected interior and exterior renovations to include HVAC systems and controls; roof; and various other interior finishes and fixtures.	State	\$ 4,467,900
	Local	<u>1,489,300</u>
	Total	\$ 5,957,200
Renovations to Appoquinimink Early Childhood Center	Cost	
Planning, constructing and equipping of a kitchen addition, renovations to interior finishes, and the building systems and controls.	State	\$ 1,161,200
	Local	<u>387,100</u>
	Total	\$ 1,548,300
Renovations to Everett Meredith Middle School	Cost	
Planning, constructing and equipping of auditorium renovations.	State	\$ 592,600
	Local	<u>197,500</u>
	Total	\$ 790,100
	Total State	\$48,486,900
	Total Local	<u>16,162,200</u>
	Total Funding	\$64,649,100

The faith and credit of the Appoquinimink School District is pledged for the full and complete payment of the principal and interest on said bonds. If the district is authorized to issue bonds in the amount of \$16,162,200, it shall annually levy and collect taxes to provide for the payment of interest on the bonds and for the retirement of the bonds as they fall due; however, **such payment will NOT result in an increase in the current assessment rate on taxable real estate.**

The polls for said election will open at 10:00 o'clock a.m. and will remain open until 8:00 p.m., prevailing local time. Voters may vote at any of the designated polling places within the school district. The buildings designated as polling places are as follows:

Brick Mill Elementary
Olive Loss Elementary
Alfred G. Waters Middle
Redding Middle

Townsend Early Childhood Center
Bunker Hill Elementary
Meredith Middle School

Silver Lake Elementary
Appoquinimink Training Center
Middletown High School

You may vote in this election if you:

- Are a citizen of the U. S. and Delaware;
- Live in the Appoquinimink School District; and
- Are at least 18 years old.

You may vote by absentee ballot if you cannot vote on Election Day for one of the following reasons:

- You are temporarily or permanently disabled;
- You are serving the U.S. or the State of Delaware;
- You are the spouse or a dependent living with a person serving the U.S. or the State of Delaware;
- You hold a job that does not permit you to go to the polls;
- You are sick;
- Your religion does not permit you to go to the polls;
- You are incarcerated;
- You are away on vacation;
- You are the caregiver to a parent, spouse or that person's child who is living at home and requires constant care due to illness or injury;
- You are temporarily living outside of the U.S.;
- You cannot go to the polls because you've been injured while serving in the Armed Forces; or
- You serve in the Armed Forces, Red Cross, U.S.O. or the Merchant Marine.

To vote by absentee ballot:

- Complete an *Affidavit for Absentee Ballot for Public School Elections*; and
- Submit the affidavit to the Department of Elections for New Castle County.

Important Dates:

- Return your affidavit by noon, Friday, December 4, 2009, if you want a ballot mailed to you.
- Vote in our office Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. until Monday, December 7, 2009 at Noon.
 - *NOTE: Our office is closed on November 11, 26 and 27 for State holidays.*
- ***Return your voted ballot by 8 p.m. on Tuesday, December 8, 2009 to the Department of Elections for New Castle County.***

By Order of the Appoquinimink Board of Education.

Edna Cale, President and Tony J. Marchio, Executive Secretary