

BRANDYWINE SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION TO AUTHORIZE THE LEVY OF ADDITIONAL TAXES

A Special Election will be held on Wednesday March 28th, 2012, in the Brandywine School District in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 19, Title 14 of the Delaware Code, in order to permit the voters of the district to vote either for or against the following:

AUTHORITY TO LEVY ADDITIONAL TAXES FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES

The levy and collection of an additional 27.0 cents per \$100 of assessed value effective July 1, 2012 and continuing thereafter. This increase includes the 10 percent for delinquencies, and costs of collection as required by law. Income from the levy will be used for current operating expenses in order to continue to provide a sound, effective educational program in the district and includes the following:

- Continuance and maintenance of on-going academic programs
- Restoration of reserves
- Implementation of the Success Plan including:
 - Technology upgrades
 - Implementation of Elementary Behavioral Intervention Program
 - Expansion of Rigorous Academic Programs for all students
 - Expansion of Extra Curricular Activities
 - School facility upgrades

If voters approve the tax increase, the additional rate of 27.0 cents per hundred dollars of assessed value will take effect July 1, 2012.

For the average homeowner, the annual increase in the first year is approximately \$188 per year and continuing thereafter.

The polls for the Special Election will be open Wednesday, March 28th, 2012, between the hours of 10 A.M. and 8 P.M. in the locations listed below. All voting locations are handicapped accessible. Those marked with an (*) are easily accessible.

Boys & Girls Club* 500 Darley Road, Claymont	Claymont Elementary School* 3401 Green Street, Claymont	Harlan Elementary School* 3601 Jefferson Street, Wilmington	Mount Pleasant High School* 5201 Washington St. Ext., Wilmington
Brandywine High School* 1400 Foulk Road, Wilmington	Concord High School* 2501 Ebright Road, Wilmington	Lancashire Elementary School* 2000 Naamans Road, Wilmington	P.S. DuPont Middle School* 701 West 34 th Street, Wilmington
Carrcroft Elementary School* 503 Crest Road, Wilmington	Crestview Apartments* 2700 Market Street, Wilmington	Lombardy Elementary School* 412 Foulk Road, Wilmington	Springer Middle School* 2220 Shipley Road, Wilmington
Carvel State Office Building* 820 N. French Street, Wilmington	Forwood Elementary School* 1900 Westminster Drive	Maple Lane Elementary School* 100 Maple Lane, Claymont	Talley Middle School 1110 Cypress Road, Wilmington
Church of Our Savior 1106 East 28 th Street, Wilmington	Hanby Elementary School* 2523 Berwyn Road, Wilmington	Mount Pleasant Elementary School* 500 Duncan Road, Wilmington	

QUALIFICATIONS TO VOTE

- Must be a citizen of the United States and Delaware
- Must be 18 years of age or older
- Must be a resident of the Brandywine School District
- You do NOT have to be a registered voter

ABSENTEE BALLOT

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:

- Contact the Department of Elections for New Castle County, 820 N French St, Ste 400, Wilmington DE 19801. Phone: 302-577-3464, or <http://electionsncc.delaware.gov> to request an *Affidavit for Absentee Ballot for Public School Elections*
- Complete the affidavit and submit it to the Department of Elections for New Castle County.

Important Dates:

- Return your affidavit to the Department of Elections by noon, Friday, March 24, 2012 if you want a ballot mailed to you.
- Vote at the Department of Elections, Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. until Tuesday, March 27, 2012 at Noon.
- **Return your ballot by 8 p.m. on Wednesday, March 28, 2012 to the Department of Elections for New Castle County.**

PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION AND ADDRESS

Persons appearing to vote must present satisfactory proof of identity and address to the Election Officers at the Polling Place before being permitted to vote. Persons who do not present satisfactory proof of identity and address, may – upon majority vote of the Inspector and the two Judges – be permitted to vote.

By order of the BRANDYWINE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION
Olivia Johnson-Harris, President
Mark Holodick, Ed.D., Executive Secretary and Superintendent

Posted in accordance with Delaware Code, Title 14. Do not remove until March 29th, 2012.