

**LAKELAND CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING, INCLUDING ELECTION OF THE
MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND VOTE ON THE
SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET AND PROPOSITIONS**

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF LAKELAND CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT OF SHRUB OAK, NEW YORK, HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Annual Public Hearing on the Budget shall be held on Tuesday, May 2, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at the Administration Building, 1086 East Main Street, Shrub Oak, NY, at which time the budget for the 2023-2024 school year shall be presented.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the Annual Meeting for the purpose of voting on the Budget and Propositions and electing three (3) members to the Board of Education will be held at the VAN CORTLANDTVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GYMNASIUM, Mohegan Lake, NY, in said District, Tuesday, May 16, 2023, from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Daylight Savings Time.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education must be filed with the District Clerk at her office in the Administration Building, 1086 East Main Street, Shrub Oak, NY, not later than April 17, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. The following vacancies on the Board of Education are to be filled:

<u>Term</u>	<u>Name of Last Incumbent</u>
3 years – expiring June 30, 2026	Denise Kness
3 years – expiring June 30, 2026	Rachelle Nardelli
3 years – expiring June 30, 2026	Donald B. Pinkowsky

Each petition must be directed to the Clerk of the District, must be signed by at least **62** qualified voters, and shall be in accordance with the provisions of Section 2018 of the Education law.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Budget Proposition, and Proposition in substantially the following form, shall be presented to the qualified voters of the District at such Annual District Meeting and Election:

PROPOSITION 1 – 2023-2024 BUDGET

RESOLVED, that \$184,539,324 be appropriated to meet the estimated expenditures for school purposes for the school year 2023-2024 and that the Board of Education of the Lakeland Central School District be authorized to levy taxes to meet the same.

PROPOSITION 2 – BUS/VEHICLE BOND

RESOLVED:

(a) That the Board of Education of Lakeland Central School District of Shrub Oak, in the Counties of Westchester and Putnam, New York (the “District”), is hereby authorized to purchase various school buses and vehicles for use by the District, and to expend therefor, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and to the financing thereof, an amount not to exceed the estimated total cost of \$1,486,000;

(b) that a tax is hereby voted in the aggregate amount of not to exceed \$1,486,000 to pay such cost, said tax to be levied and collected in installments in such years and in such amounts as shall be determined by said Board of Education; and

(c) that in anticipation of said tax, bonds of the District are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of not to exceed \$1,486,000 and a tax is hereby voted to pay the interest on said bonds as the same shall become due and payable.

Such Bond Proposition shall appear on the ballots used for voting at said Annual District Meeting and Election in substantially the following condensed form:

PROPOSITION 2 - BUS/VEHICLE BOND

YES NO

RESOLVED:

(a) That the Board of Education of Lakeland Central School District of Shrub Oak, in the Counties of Westchester and Putnam, New York (the “District”), is hereby authorized to purchase various school buses and vehicles for use by the District and to expend therefor an amount not to exceed the estimated total cost of \$1,486,000; (b) that a tax is hereby voted in the aggregate amount of not to exceed \$1,486,000 to pay such cost, said tax to be levied and collected in installments in such years and in such amounts as shall be determined by said Board of Education; and (c) that in anticipation of said tax, bonds of the District are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of not to exceed \$1,486,000 and a tax is hereby voted to pay the interest on said bonds as the same shall become due and payable.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the Board of Registration shall meet at the Lakeland Central School District Administration Building, 1086 East Main Street, Shrub Oak, NY in the conference room between the hours of 9 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. (Daylight Savings Time) on Wednesday, May 3, 2023. Any person shall be entitled to have his/her name placed upon such register provided that at the above-mentioned meeting of the Board of Registration he/she personally appears and is known or proved to the satisfaction of the Board of Registration to be then and thereafter entitled to vote at the school meeting/election for which this register is prepared.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that, pursuant to Article 5 of the Election Law, any person otherwise qualified to vote who is currently registered with the Westchester or Putnam County Board of Elections for any General Election under the provisions of the Election Law shall be entitled to vote without further registration. If a voter has previously registered to vote with the school district and has voted at an annual or special school district meeting within the last four calendar years, he/she is eligible to vote.

NOTICE IS ALSO HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Registration will also meet during and at the place of the foregoing election between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 16, 2023 to prepare a register for meetings or elections held subsequent to said Annual Meeting and Election.

The register, including the names of military voters who submitted valid military voter registrations, will be on file in the office of the District Clerk, at the Administration Building, 1086 East Main Street, Shrub Oak, NY, and will be open for inspection by any qualified voter of the District between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on each of the five days preceding and on the day set for the Annual Meeting (other than a Saturday, Sunday or holiday).

AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that a copy of the detailed statement in writing of the amount of money which will be required for the school year 2023-2024 for school purposes specifying the several purposes and the amount for each, including the property tax report card and tax exemption reporting form, may be obtained by any resident in the District on each of the fourteen days preceding the Annual Meeting (other than a Saturday, Sunday or holiday) at each of the schoolhouses in which school is maintained and at the Administration Building, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. and at such Annual Meeting. The Budget will also be available at any free association or public library located within the District and on the District website. A Real Property Tax Exemption Report prepared in accordance with Section 495 of the Real Property Tax Law will be annexed to any budget of which it will form a part; and shall be posted on District bulletin board(s) maintained for public notices, as well as on the District's website.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that applications for absentee ballots for the election of members of the Board of Education and for voting on the School District budget and on propositions, in accordance with the provisions of Education Law, Section 2018-a, may be obtained at the office of the Clerk of the District, Administration Building, 1086 East Main Street, Shrub Oak, NY. The application must be received by the District Clerk no more than 30 days and at least seven days prior to the Annual Meeting if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter or the day before the Annual Meeting if the ballot will be picked up personally by the voter or the voter's authorized agent set forth in the application, at the District Office. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots have been issued and a list of all military voters to whom military ballots have been issued will be available for public inspection in said office of the Clerk during regular office hours (8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.) until the day of the election. Any qualified voter may file a written challenge of the qualifications of a voter, whose name appears on such list, stating the reasons for the challenge.

AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that Military Voters who are not currently registered to vote in the District may obtain an application to register as a qualified voter of the District for the Annual Meeting on May 16, 2023 by contacting the District Clerk at 1086 East Main Street, Shrub Oak, NY 10588, Telephone (914) 245-1700, Ext. 39022, or email: districtclerk@lakelandschools.org. The Military Voter may indicate their preference for receiving the registration application by mail, by facsimile or email. The application to register must be received by the District Clerk no later than 5:00 P.M. on May 2, 2023. Military Voters who are qualified voters of the District may obtain an application for a military ballot from the District Clerk at 1086 East Main Street, Shrub Oak, NY 10588, Telephone (914) 245-1700, Ext. 39022, or email: districtclerk@lakelandschools.org by no later than 5:00 P.M. on April 20, 2023. The completed application for a military ballot must be received by the District Clerk no later than 5:00 P.M. on April 20, 2023. The Military Voter may indicate their preference for receiving the application for a military ballot by mail, by facsimile or email. Military ballots will be mailed or otherwise distributed no later than 25 days before the election. Military ballots must be returned by mail or in person and received by the District Clerk by 5:00 P.M. on May 16, 2023.

THIS LEGAL NOTICE CAN ALSO BE FOUND ON THE DISTRICT WEBSITE IN BOTH ENGLISH AND SPANISH: www.lakelandschools.org

By Order of the Board of Education

Lakeland Central School District of Shrub Oak
Lynn Cosenza
District Clerk