

**MIDDLETON SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT
2026
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the inhabitants of the Middleton School District, qualified to vote upon Middleton School District affairs:

First Session of Annual Meeting (Deliberative)

You are hereby notified to meet at Middleton Elementary School, in Middleton, New Hampshire, on Saturday, the 7th day of February 2026, at 10:00 AM. This session shall consist of explanation, discussion, and debate of warrant articles II through VII. Warrant articles may be amended subject to the following limitations: (a) warrant articles whose wording is prescribed by law shall not be amended and (b) warrant articles that are amended shall be placed on the official ballot for a final vote on the main motion, as amended; and (c) no warrant article shall be amended to eliminate the subject matter of the article.

Second Session of Annual Meeting (Voting by Official Ballot)

Voting on warrant articles I through VIII shall be conducted by official ballot and will occur in conjunction with the town meeting to be held on Tuesday, the 10th day of March 2026. Voting shall take place at the following location and time:

TOWN	LOCATION	TIME
Middleton Voters	Old Town Hall	<u>7:00 AM – 7:00 PM</u>

ARTICLE I: To choose the following school district officers:

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| a. | 1 School Board Member | 3-year term |
| b. | 1 School Board Member | 1-year term |
| c. | 1 School District Moderator | 1-year term |
| d. | 1 School District Clerk | 1-year term |
| e. | 1 Treasurer | 1-year term |
| f. | 1 Deputy Treasurer | 1-year term |

ARTICLE II: The average cost-per-pupil for the preceding year as calculated in accordance with RSA189:75, I(a) is \$19,699.60. ELA Proficiency: 32%; Math Proficiency: 39%; Science Proficiency: 43%. Shall the Middleton School District raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$6,000,000 Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$ 6,448,397 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Middleton School District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. *** NOTE: This warrant article (operating budget) does not include appropriations requested in ANY of the other warrant articles. (The Middleton School Board recommends \$6,855,832 by a vote of 3-1-0. The Middleton Budget Committee recommends \$6,000,000 by a vote 6-1-0.) Estimated tax impact on \$6,000,000 is an increase of \$0.70/\$1,000 resulting in an estimated tax rate of \$10.79.**

The School Board recommends this article 3-1-0

The Budget Committee recommends this article 6-1-0

ARTICLE III: To see if the Middleton School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred-two thousand, two hundred twenty dollars (\$102,220) representing wages, benefits and taxes, for the purpose of hiring a full time Diagnostic Prescriptive Teacher to case manage Middleton School District eligible students in grade 6-12. (Majority vote) **Is an estimated increase of \$0.28/\$1,000 as a tax impact.**

The School Board recommends this article 4-0-0

The Budget Committee does not recommend this article 6-1-0

ARTICLE IV: To see if the Middleton School District will vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) to be added to the Special Education Trust Fund previously established. This sum to come from the June 30, 2026, fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2026. **No amount to be raised from taxation.**

The School Board recommends this article 4-0-0

The Budget Committee recommends this article 7-0-0

ARTICLE V: To see if the Middleton School District will vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be added to the Bus Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This sum to come from the June 30, 2026, fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2026. **No amount to be raised from taxation.**

The School Board recommends this article 4-0-0

The Budget Committee recommends this article 7-0-0

ARTICLE VI: To see if the Middleton School District will vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000) to be added to the Construction, Renovation, Repair Fund previously established. This sum to come from the June 30, 2026, fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2026. **No amount to be raised from taxation.**

The School Board recommends this article 4-0-0

The Budget Committee recommends this article 7-0-0

Article VII: To see if the Middleton School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to \$300,000 to be added to the Special Education Trust Fund previously established, this sum to come from the additional Medicaid reimbursement funds and Special Education Aid received from the State of New Hampshire during the current fiscal year (2025-2026 school year). This sum to come from the June 30, 2026, fund balance available for transfer on July 1, 2026. No amount to be raised from taxation. (Majority vote required).

The School Board recommends this article 5-0-0

The Budget Committee does not recommend this article 5-2-0

ARTICLE VIII: To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS AND SEALS THIS 26 DAY OF January 2026.

<u>Heather T. Cremmen</u> <small>Heather T. Cremmen (Jan 21, 2026 20:48:13 EST)</small>	<u>Kelly J. Tivnan</u> <small>Kelly J. Tivnan (Jan 21, 2026 21:38:21 EST)</small>	<u>Nicole Huntress</u> <small>Nicole Huntress (Jan 21, 2026 14:25:35 EST)</small>
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Nicole Wright
Nicole Wright (Jan 21, 2026 21:16:10 EST)

Middleton School District Clerk