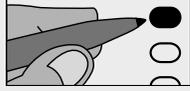


Sample Ballot
Annual School District Election
March 10, 2026
 Alton School District, NH

Instructions

To Vote:

To vote, completely fill in the oval next to your choice.



To Vote for a Write-in:

To vote for a person whose name is not on the ballot, write the person's name on the "Write-in" line and completely fill in the oval next to the line.



School Board Member

Vote for not more than 1
 Three (3) Years

Jason English

Loren Ferruccio

Write-in

School District Moderator

Vote for not more than 1
 One (1) Year

Cydney Shapleigh

Write-in

School District Treasurer

Vote for not more than 1
 Three (3) Years

Carole Ingham

Write-in

School District Clerk

Vote for not more than 1
 One (1) Year

Write-in

ARTICLE 02: Operating Budget

The Alton School District's average cost per pupil for FY25 was \$27,428. ELA Proficiency: 46%; Math Proficiency: 29%; Science Proficiency: 26%

Shall the Alton 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 **EIGHTEEN MILLION, SEVEN HUNDRED NINETY-TWO THOUSAND, FORTY-TWO DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$18,792,042.00)** (Fiscal Note: The amount of **\$4,936,894.00** is the net appropriation for the Prospect Mountain High School operating budget which is included in the gross budget amount listed above and recommended by the Joint Maintenance Agreement (JMA) Budget Committee.) Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be **EIGHTEEN MILLION, SIX HUNDRED FIFTY-FOUR THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED FIFTY-SEVEN DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$18,654,357.00)** which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Alton 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. (This warrant article does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant articles.) **(The Alton School Board recommends \$18,792,042.00 by a vote of 5-0. The Alton Budget Committee recommends \$18,792,042.00 by a vote of 5-0).** (Majority vote required).

Yes
 No

ARTICLE 03: Collective Bargaining Agreement, Prospect Mountain Teachers Association

To see if the School District will vote to approve the cost items included in the Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Prospect Mountain School Board (JMA Alton/Barnstead) and the Prospect Mountain Teachers Association, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

Year	Appropriate	Estimated Total Increase
2026-2027	\$78,056	\$171,362
2027-2028	\$91,051	\$199,893
2028-2029	\$90,477	\$198,632

And to further raise and appropriate the sum of **SEVENTY-EIGHT THOUSAND FIFTY-SIX DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$78,056.00)** for the 2026-2027 fiscal year, such sum representing Forty-five and Fifty-five Hundredths Percent (45.55%) of the total additional cost of **ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-ONE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED SIXTY-TWO DOLLARS and ZERO CENTS (\$171,362.00)** attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year in accordance with the most recent collective bargaining agreement. The adoption of this Article shall be contingent upon both the Alton (45.55%) and Barnstead (54.45%) Districts approving the cost items and raising and appropriating their respective sum of money to fund the cost items. **(The JMA Board recommends by a vote of 9-0. The Alton School Board recommends \$78,056.00 by a vote of 5-0. The Alton Budget Committee recommends \$78,056.00 by a vote of 6-0).** (Majority vote required).

Yes
 No

ARTICLE 04: Special Warrant Article

Shall the School District, if Article 03 is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 03 cost items only. (Majority vote required).

Yes
 No



ARTICLE 05: Collective Bargaining Agreement, Prospect Mountain Education Support Professional Association, NEA-NH

To see if the School District will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Prospect Mountain School Board (JMA Alton/Barnstead) and the Prospect Mountain Education Support Professional Association, NEA-NH which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

Year	Appropriate	Estimated Total Increase
2026-2027	\$45,200	\$99,450
2027-2028	\$14,724	\$32,397
2028-2029	\$14,075	\$30,968

And to further raise and appropriate the sum of **FORTY-FIVE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS and ZERO CENTS (\$45,200.00)** for the 2026-2027 fiscal year, such sum representing Forty-five and Fifty-five Hundredths Percent (45.55%) of the total additional cost of **NINETY-NINE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS and ZERO CENTS (\$99,450.00)** attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year in accordance with the most recent collective bargaining agreement. The adoption of this Article shall be contingent upon both the Alton (45.55%) and Barnstead (54.45%) Districts approving the cost items and raising and appropriating their respective sum of money to fund the cost items. **(The JMA Board recommends by a vote of 9-0. The Alton School Board recommends \$45,200.00 by a vote of 5-0. The Alton Budget Committee recommends \$45,200.00 by a vote of 6-0).** (Majority vote required).

Yes

No

ARTICLE 06: Special Warrant Article

Shall the School District, if Article 05 is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 05 cost items only. (Majority vote required).

Yes

No

ARTICLE 07: Special Warrant Article - Boiler Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **ONE HUNDRED TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$120,000.00)** to be added to the existing Water Heaters, Boilers, Ventilation Systems Capital Reserve Fund created 3-9-99 under RSA 35:1 for the purpose of repairing/replacing water heaters, boilers, and ventilation systems. **(The Alton School Board recommends \$120,000.00 by a vote of 5-0. The Alton Budget Committee recommends \$120,000.00 by a vote of 5-0).** (Majority vote required)

Yes

No

ARTICLE 08: Establish an SAU Merger Study Committee

Shall the school district vote to create a Planning Committee to study and evaluate merging SAU 72 with SAU 86 (Barnstead School District), in accordance with RSA 194-C:2,I, and V. **(The JMA Board recommends by a vote of 7-1. The Alton School Board recommends by a vote of 5-0. The Alton Budget Committee recommends by a vote of 5-0. The Barnstead School Board recommends by a vote of 5-0).** (Majority vote required).

Yes

No

ARTICLE 09: Establish Revolving Fund

Shall the school district vote to establish a non-lapsing Granite State Academy Revolving Fund in accordance with RSA 194:3-c, to be funded by tuition and other revenue paid to Granite State Academy, an alternative online program operated by Prospect Mountain JMA; the purpose of the revolving fund is to support the operating costs of Granite State Academy. This fund shall be non-lapsing and shall not be appropriated except as authorized by the District at a future annual meeting. Such program shall be audited annually. **(The JMA Board recommends by a vote of 7-1. The Alton School Board recommends by a vote of 5-0. The Alton Budget Committee recommends by a vote of 5-0).** (Majority vote required).

Yes

No

ARTICLE 10: Extend Open Enrollment K-6

Shall the school district vote to designate Alton Central School as an open enrollment school under the provisions of RSA 194-D to allow students who reside outside the Alton School District to enroll in an online alternative program serving elementary school grades and to limit the percentage of Alton School District student who may attend open enrollment schools located outside of the Alton School District to zero. **(The JMA Board recommends by a vote of 7-1. The Alton School Board recommends by a vote of 5-0. The Alton Budget Committee recommends by a vote of 5-0).** (Majority vote required).

Yes

No

ARTICLE 11: Reports and Business

To hear reports of any committees, boards, trustees, commissions, officials, agents or concerned voters; and vote to accept the same. Furthermore, to conduct any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Yes

No