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From: Tami Beaudette <tami.beaudette@nyssba.org>
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2022 8:07 AM
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Subject: 2022-2023 Pre-Election Survey



Greetings Roberta,

It's that time of year again! We're reaching out to obtain pre-election and new candidate school board member information, so we can facilitate getting your membership records updated as quickly as possible and your members receiving all of the benefits that come with membership.

We understand that the information filled out in this survey may change following the election, at which time you will be sent a new survey asking for your post-election results.

Please click on the below survey link to provide NYSSBA with your pre-election results.

2022-2023 Pre-Election Survey

Thank you for your assistance and feel free to contact me at tami.beaudette@nyssba.org should you have any questions.

Sincerely,
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Subject: Message from the Executive Director

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April 3, 2022

Dear Members and Stakeholders,

Last week NYSSBA launched a new campaign to encourage communities across New York to support their local school boards in providing a quality educational experience for every student. It is very important for our communities to understand the important link between successful school boards and student achievement in addition to the meaningful impact school board service has on our local democracies. We hope this campaign encourages the public to support their school boards and ultimately their students by attending meetings, participating in the voting process, and providing important information to the boards that will help inform their decisions. For more information, visit the [campaign web page](#) or watch the [campaign video](#).

Weekly Reminders and Updates

NYSSBA's 2022 Convention & Education Expo
NYSSBA '22 Together Again: Convention Keynote – Marlee Matlin
October 27 - 29, 2022
Syracuse, New York
Registration opens August 1, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

We are excited to announce our 2022 Convention keynote – Marlee Matlin. Matlin received worldwide critical acclaim and became the youngest recipient of the Best Actress Oscar for her film debut in Paramount Picture's Children of a Lesser God. Most recently Matlin starred in Oscar-winning film CODA, 2022's Best Picture. Beyond film, TV and stage work, Matlin has authored three children's novels. Much of her advocacy and activism focus on children's issues. Despite the odds, Marlee's journey is an inspiration to everyone, regardless of the barriers they face, and she has refused to let the naysayers get in the way of her dreams of success. This empowering keynote session, *Courage + Dreams = Success: Overcoming Barriers to Achieve Your Goals* is scheduled for Friday, Oct. 28 at 8:15 a.m. in the Oncenter.

In addition to outstanding programming and educational sessions, the Convention offers the opportunity to showcase select student works to education leaders throughout New York State.

- Call for Student Booths: Highlight your students' and teachers' creativity with student exhibits. Student booth registration is free but space is extremely limited. [Reserve your spot today.](#)
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- Call for Photos: Send us photos of your school community in action to be included at this year's Convention. Send up to 6 high-res photos to nyssbaphotos@gmail.com.

Advocacy

- **New York State Budget:** As of today, there has not been an agreement made on the New York State Budget. The Governmental Relations team is continuing to monitor the situation and advocate for NYSSBA's final priorities. We will be sending out the comprehensive summary of the enacted state budget and details about the free member webinar, NYSSBA's 2022 Enacted State Budget Analysis, as soon as possible.
- **Federal Budget:** The Biden Administration recently announced its Fiscal Year 2023 budget requests. Overall, the President has proposed nearly \$12 billion in additional funding for K-12 education. Many of NYSSBA's federal priorities are on the list for increases, including IDEA, mental health support, teacher pipeline and child nutrition programs. We will advocate in support of the increase in funding during our annual summer Congressional meetings. As planning for these meetings begins, we will be reaching out to [NYSSBA's Advocacy Liaisons](#) with additional information.
- **2022 Resolutions Process:** We are pleased to report that we have received the highest number of responses to our annual resolutions survey in recent memory. Official distribution of the Resolutions Kit detailing the survey results with instructions about how to submit a resolution will be electronically delivered to all members on Monday, April 18. All 2017 positions will be expiring this year, unless delegates propose and vote for renewal. The resolution submission deadline is August 1.
- **2022 Annual Business Meeting:** Our 2022 Annual Business Meeting will be held virtually on Monday, October 17 at 4 p.m. This is your district's opportunity to be a part of the position-setting process. Registration information for delegates will be sent to district clerks in August. We encourage you to start thinking about your voting delegate now. If you have any questions regarding the business meeting or the voting delegate selection process, please reach out to Danielle Grasso at danielle.grasso@nyssba.org.

NYSSBA's 2022 Live Virtual Superintendent Evaluation Workshop – [Register here.](#)

Date: Friday, April 22, 2022

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Accessible via computer, phone or tablet.

Cost: \$130 (Members), \$260 (Nonmembers)

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This workshop provides an overview of the standards of superintendent performance, the importance of establishing superintendent goals, and the utilization of evidence-based data to rate performance. Learn how the evaluation process can strengthen your governance team and improve your district. The Superintendent Evaluation Workshop is brought to you in collaboration with SuperEval.

On Board

[The April 4 edition of On Board](#) includes stories about the new rules that allow districts to be

more effective in their hiring practices, what you need to know about the metaverse, different approaches to DEI work, legal analysis, policy updates, Chancellor Young's comments about reimagining New York's assessment strategy, my commentary and much more.

New York State Education Department

Statement From Chancellor Lester W. Young, Jr., the Board of Regents and State Education Commissioner Betty A. Rosa on the Passing of Regent Beverly L. Ouderkirk

Before I close, I hope you will join me in sending a heartfelt congratulations to my colleague and friend, NYSSBA's deputy executive directory and general counsel, Jay Worona. Last week, the Council of School Attorneys (COSA) presented Jay with its Lifetime Achievement Award, honoring his decades-long commitment to public school students and school board members. Jay's passion for his work is an inspiration to all of us and we could not be prouder of him or more grateful for his thoughtful guidance. [Read more about the award here.](#)

Happy Ramadan to our members and stakeholders celebrating this month.

Be well and stay in touch.

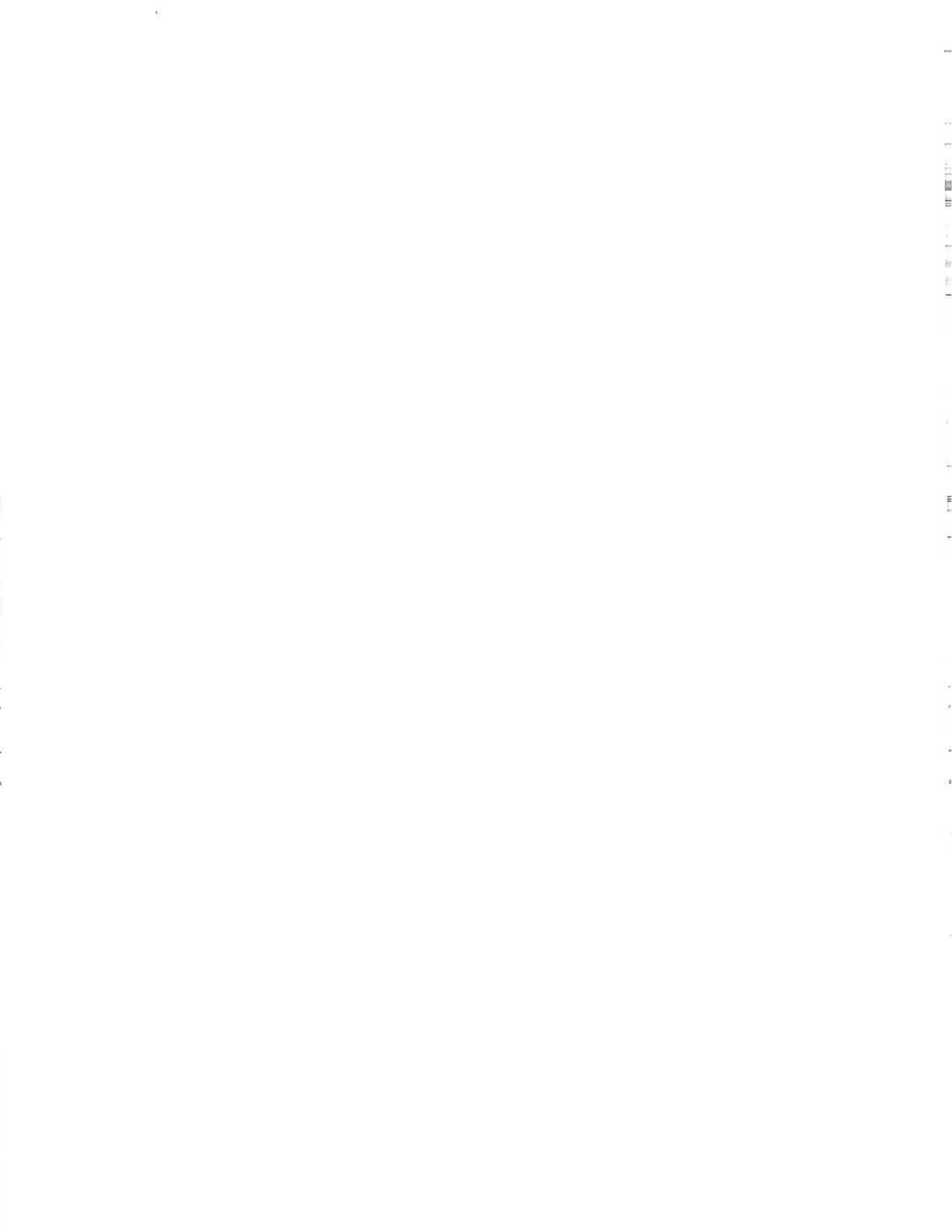
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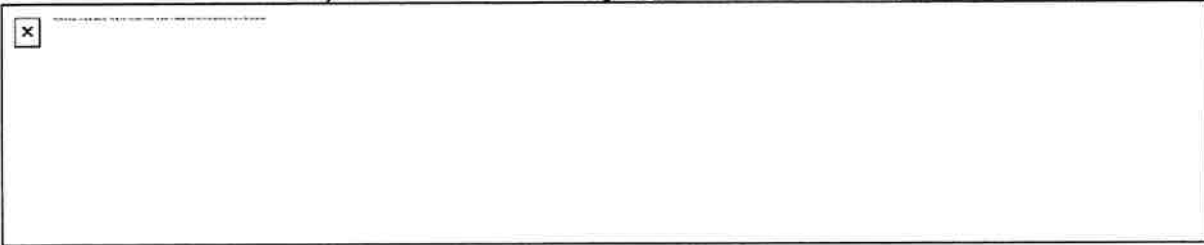
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Running for School Board 2022 Dates to Remember

- **April 18** - Petition must be filed for central, union free and common school districts
- **April 27** - Petition must be filed for all small city school districts
- **May 17** - Budget Vote & Election Day
- **June 21** - Budget Revote

Get all the information you need to run for school board [here](#).

2022 Live Virtual Superintendent Evaluation Workshop Developing and Supporting Effective Superintendents

Date: April 22, 2022
Time: 8:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

Learn how a well-designed, evidence-based evaluation process will:

- Minimize challenges
- Foster powerful conversations
- Strengthen relationships on your governance team

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2022 Live Virtual Policy Workshop Policies on Student & Staff Freedom of Expression: New Developments from Our Courts and Legislature

Date: Wednesday, May 11, 2022
Time: 8:30–11:30 a.m.

Recent changes in case law, statutes and regulations have impacted school policies on freedom of expression. Attend this workshop to answer important questions such as:

- How far can your student policies reach outside the school setting?
- How does the state's hair discrimination law affect your policies?
- What changes should you consider for equitable Codes of Conduct and dress codes?

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Opportunity to Showcase Student Talent 2022 Convention & Educational Expo

Join us in person – for the first time since 2019 – in Syracuse for the 2022 Convention & Education Expo October 27-29. Registration opens August 1, 2022.

The Convention offers the opportunity to showcase select student works to education leaders throughout New York State.

Call for Student Booths

Highlight your students' and teachers' creativity with student exhibits. Student booth registration is free* but space is extremely limited. [Reserve your spot today!](#)
**Internet and electricity are not included. These are available for a fee.*

Call for Performance Groups

Instrumental or vocal – small traditional, contemporary and emerging ensembles from all levels (elementary through high school). [Click here](#) for submission guidelines. Deadline: May 1st.

Call for Photos

Send us photos of your school community in action to be included at this year's Convention. Send up to 6 high-res photos to nyssbaphotos@gmail.com.

Contact [Anna O'Hara](#) for more information.

District Clerk ONLY Roundtable NING

Become one of the 650+ members enjoying this unique online community.

Contact [Courtney Sanik](#) to join or for more information

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NYSSBA experts can help your board clarify its purpose, eliminate confusion, build positive relationships across the governance team and get everyone pulling in the same direction

Encourage your board to visit nyssba.org/cbr for more information and to book a Custom Board Retreat.

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Your board members can take their state-mandated training at their convenience using our **newly redesigned online courses** and **learning platform**.

Self-paced and user-friendly, the program uses engaging visuals and real-world examples for the best quality learning experience.

[Learn more and register.](#)

Building a Strong Relationship with Your Superintendent **A New Custom Board Retreat Series**

Your district will benefit when you help your new superintendent succeed. NYSSBA can help with topics such as **reviewing your district mission and vision, defining core beliefs and goals, establishing roles and performance expectations** and more.

Choose from half-day or full-day sessions, in-person or virtual — all at your board's convenience. Learn more at nyssba.org/cbr or call 800.342.3360.

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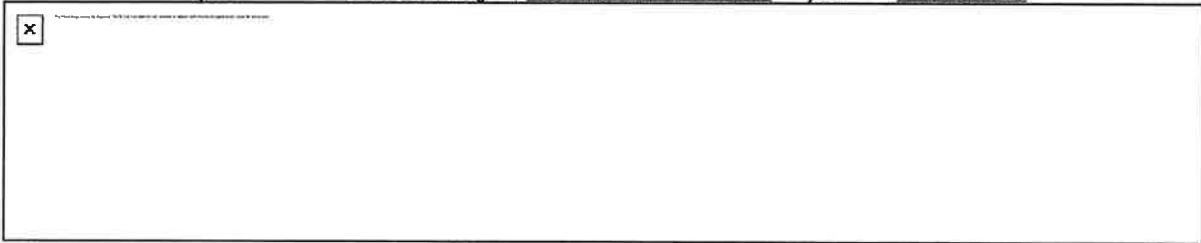
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March 27, 2022

Dear Members and Stakeholders,

Early yesterday, NYSSBA was informed that Governor Hochul has signed a bill that allows voters to obtain an absentee ballot for school district votes and elections, upon request, due to concern over exposure to COVID-19. This legislation effectively extends the provision that was in place for the 2021 calendar year. The bill takes effect immediately, covering the May school budget vote and board election, and expires at the end of the 2022 calendar year. NYSSBA advocated for this legislation as a measured and reasonable support for voters who are still navigating the pandemic, and as a way to ensure that the 'mail-in ballot only' approach from 2020 was avoided. This action clearly illustrates how when we work together, we are stronger and we can effect meaningful change.

Which brings me to NYSSBA's resolution process. As you know, NYSSBA relies on the active participation of its membership to truly be the voice of school boards throughout the state. Our inclusive and transparent resolutions process gives you that voice. On March 1 the electronic Resolutions Survey was emailed to the full membership. The survey, which closed on March 22, is used to gauge member sentiment on important issues, including the continuation of some expiring or "sunsetting" positions or related issues. I want to send a sincere thank you to all of our members who completed the Resolutions Survey. On April 18, the Electronic Resolutions Kit, which includes the full survey results, will be emailed to the full membership.

Please note, the survey does not establish NYSSBA's positions. Official positions are established only by the voting delegates during NYSSBA's Virtual Annual Business Meeting on October 17, 2022. For more information about the resolutions process, visit our [Advocacy web pages](#).

Weekly Updates and Reminders

Updated State Budget Call to Action: Final negotiations for the 2022-23 budget are ongoing. NYSSBA Governmental Relations team has updated our state budget "Take Action" letter to reflect our final priorities, considering the three proposals that are now being actively discussed. We invite you, as school board members, as well as other members of your community, to submit the updated Take Action letter to your state legislators during these final days of intense budget negotiations. Please note that you may submit this updated letter to your representatives even if you have sent a previous iteration of this year's state budget Take Action. [Click here to access the 2022-23 State Budget Take Action Campaign.](#)

- [Senate Budget Summary](#)
- [Assembly Budget Summary](#)

NYSSBA's 2022 Convention & Education Expo

NYSSBA '22 Together Again

October 27 - 29, 2022

Syracuse, New York

NYSSBA's Annual Convention and Education Expo is the largest statewide event that brings together more than 2,000 education leaders. Attendees discuss the needs, interests and issues of concern to school board members across New York State. Registration opens August 1, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

- Call for Presentations - Deadline: March 28, 2022: NYSSBA is seeking presentation proposals that reflect sound adult learning principles in conference presentation and critical thinking, informed by theory, research and practice. I am always so impressed with the quality of the presentations at our annual convention and I am truly looking forward to this year's event. This is your chance to share your knowledge and expertise with school board members and education leaders across New York State. The deadline for submission of presentation proposals is Monday, March 28, 2022. [For more information about presentation criteria and the submission process click here.](#)
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New York State Education Department

[My Brother's Keeper: Changing the Narrative](#) - "The New York State My Brother's Keeper initiative seeks to "Change the Narrative" of boys and young men of color, and all students, by closing and eliminating the opportunity gaps they face and helping them to reach their full potential." Find out more about New York State's My Brother's Keeper initiative by visiting the [MBK website](#).

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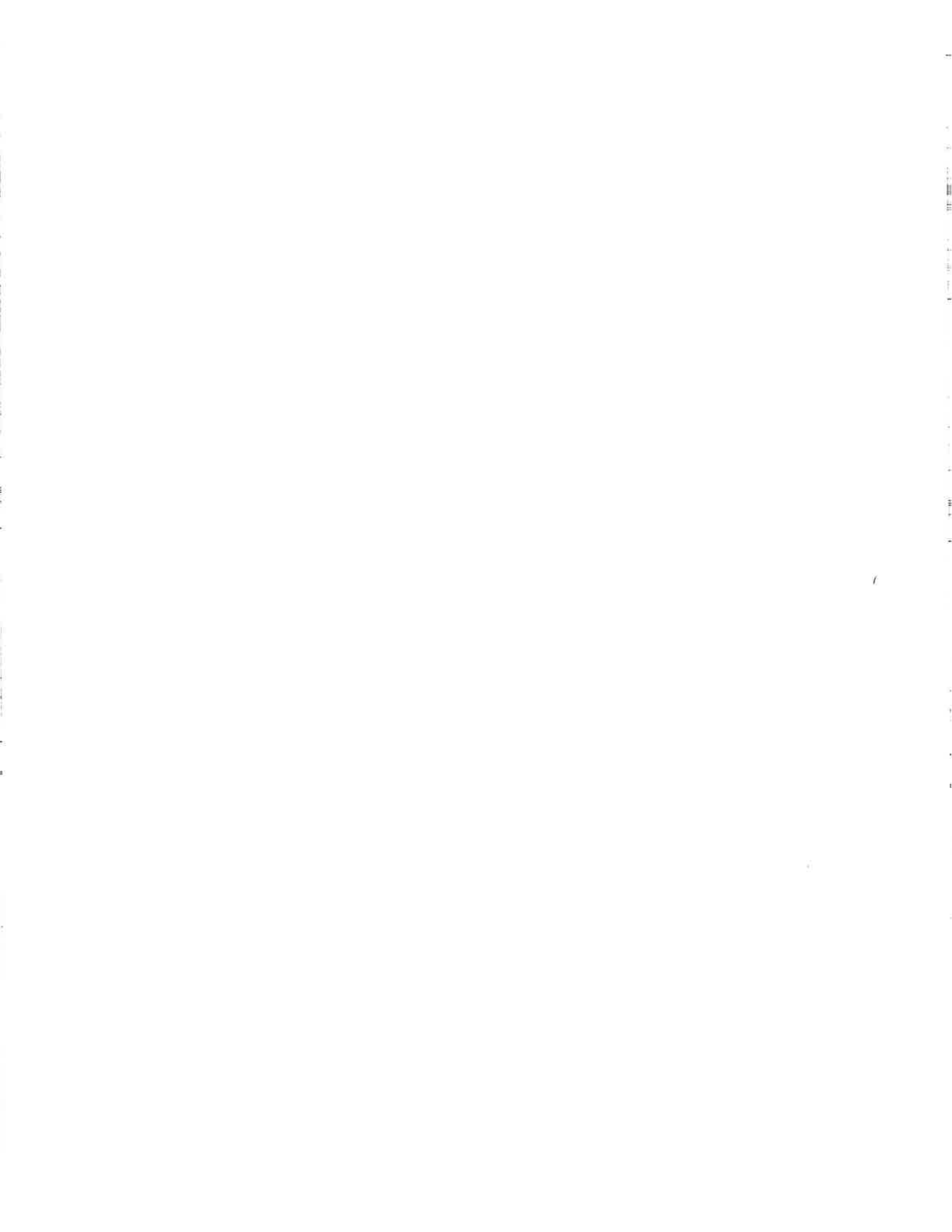


Timeline—2022 Annual Budget Vote & School Board Election

Date	Action Required
February 15	Commissioner of Taxation and Finance shall calculate the tax base growth factor for school districts and notify those with a positive quantity change factor so they can include such information in their calculation of the tax levy limit for the coming school year.
March 1	School districts must submit any information necessary for the calculation of the tax levy limit to the State Comptroller, and the Commissioners of Education and Taxation and Finance.
March 29 – April 2	Districts must publish first of four legal notices of the budget vote and board election, (i.e. 4 times during the 7 weeks (49 days) preceding the date of the election, the first notice being published not later than 45 days before the election). (The 45 th day before the election falls on Saturday, April 2nd. If newspaper(s) of general circulation will publish the first legal notice on Sat. April 2nd this complies with the deadline. However, better practice probably would be to publish on or before Friday April 1, 2022, but not before Tues. March 29th -- the 49 th day before the election). Publication on Monday, April 4, 2022 probably also is permissible pursuant to Gen. Constr. Law §25-a ¹).
April 18	<p>1. School board candidate nominating petitions due in the office of the district clerk by 5:00 p.m. 30 days before election. (Except in small cities) (30th day before election falls on Sunday, April 17th; therefore, Gen. Constr. Law controls and petitions are due on Monday, April 18th).</p> <p>2. Voter submitted petitions (for propositions other than those required to be included in the notice of annual meeting) must be submitted 30 days before the vote. (30th day before election falls on Sunday, April 17th; therefore, Gen. Constr. Law controls and petitions are due on Monday, April 18th).</p>
April 19	Districts, other than small cities, must determine the names of all candidates duly nominated and the propositions and referenda to be voted for on the ballot three days prior to the distribution of military ballots, which occurs no later than 25 days prior to the vote in districts other than small cities. ²

¹ Pursuant to New York State General Construction Law section 25-a(1), when a legal deadline falls “on a Saturday, Sunday or a public holiday, such act may be done on the next succeeding business day and if the period ends at a specified hour, such act may be done at or before the same hour of such next succeeding business day.”

² This means that board of education must finalize their budget 28 days before the vote which is four days earlier than the deadline for reporting property tax report card information.



April 22	Districts, other than small cities, must distribute military ballots no later than 25 days before the vote.
April 25	Districts must transmit "property tax report card" to SED by the end of the next business day following its approval by the school board, but not later than the 24th day before the budget vote. (The 24th day before the Budget Vote falls on Saturday, April 23rd. Therefore, best practice would be to transmit the real property tax report card to SED by Friday, April 22, 2022. However, if a particular school board does not meet until April 22, 2022 to approve the property tax report card, then pursuant to the General Construction Law, the report card could be transmitted on Monday, April 25, 2022).
April 27	School board candidate nominating petitions due in small city school districts in office of district clerk by 5:00 p.m. (20 days before election).
April 26- May 3	Districts must complete budget 7 days before the public hearing ³ .
May 2	Small cities must determine the names of all candidates duly nominated and the propositions and referenda to be voted for on the ballot three days prior to the distribution of military ballots, which occurs 14 days prior to the vote in small cities. Seventeen days before the vote falls on Saturday April 30th, thus under General Construction Law the content of the military ballots may be determined on Monday, May 2nd.
May 3	1. Last possible day for voter registration by school district board of registration in small city school districts (2 weeks before vote). 2. Small city districts must distribute military ballots no later than 14 days before the vote.
May 3-10	Board must hold a public hearing on the budget (7-14 days before vote).
May 3-17	Copies of the budget must be available to the residents upon request (during the 14 days before the vote and on day of vote).
May 3-12	Last possible day for voter registration by school district boards of registration (14-5 days before vote) (except in small city school districts -- see above).
May 11	Deadline for mailing "budget notice" (6 days before vote).
May 17	Annual Budget Vote and School Board Election

Education Law §2022(7) requires a school district to post on its website the final annual budget and any multi-year financial plan adopted by the board of education.

³ By necessity the board of education must approve the budget in order to set the ballot as required to send out the military ballots and prior to adopting the property tax report card. However, the board retains the ability to make adjustments to budgetary expenditures as long as it does not change the overall budget amount.



Timeline—2022 Budget Revote

Date	Action Required
May 31- June 7	Budget must be completed at least seven days prior to the budget hearing at which it is to be presented.
June 7	Deadline for publication of the first of two required legal notices prior to budget re-vote.
June 14	Publication of second and final legal notice prior to budget re-vote.
June 7-14	Public hearing to present the budget 7-14 days prior to the re-vote
June 7-21	Copies of the budget, together with attachments required by law, must be made available, upon request, to district residents during the fourteen days immediately preceding the re-vote (as well as at the public hearing on the re-vote, and on the day of the re-vote). Moreover, if changes have been made to the budget that was defeated by the voters on the first vote, copies of the budget disseminated prior to a re-vote must incorporate such changes.
June 14- 20 ⁴	Last possible day for voter registration by school district boards of registration (7-2 days before re-vote).
June 15	Deadline for mailing “budget notice” (6 days before re-vote).
June 21	UNIFORM BUDGET RE-VOTE DATE No district is compelled to hold a budget re-vote, but if it does, it must be held on the third Tuesday in June, unless the Commissioner of Education, at the request of the school district, certifies no later than March 1st that such vote would conflict with religious observances, in which case the revote must be held (if at all) on the second Tuesday in June.

Note: A military voter who receives a military ballot for the annual meeting and election will automatically receive a military ballot if a budget revote is scheduled. School districts should consult with their attorneys regarding the deadlines for sending out military ballots for a revote.

Education Law §2022(7) requires a school district to post on its website the final annual budget and any multi-year financial plan adopted by the board of education.

⁴ The law provides that the board of registration shall meet not more than seven days or less than two days preceding the election. Because the election is conducted on a Tuesday the last possible day for registration falls on a Sunday. School boards should consult with their school attorney as to whether the period of registration should be extended to the Monday immediately preceding the Tuesday vote pursuant to General Construction Law section 25-a.

