



**ABSENTEE
OFFICIAL BALLOT
DISTRICT ELECTION
HAMILTON-WENHAM REGIONAL
SCHOOL DISTRICT
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2025**


School Committee Secretary
David Polito

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice like this: ●

BALLOT QUESTION

Do you approve of the vote of the Regional District School Committee of the Hamilton-Wenham Regional School District adopted on June 24, 2025, to authorize the borrowing of \$142,266,034 to pay costs of designing, constructing and equipping a new Cutler Elementary School at 237 Asbury Street, Hamilton, MA, which vote provides, in relevant part, as follows:

VOTED: That the Hamilton-Wenham Regional School District (the "District") hereby appropriates the amount of \$142,266,034 for the purpose of paying costs of designing, constructing, and equipping a new Cutler Elementary School at 237 Asbury Street, Hamilton, MA, that will allow for the consolidation of grades 1-5 across the District, and for the payment of all other costs incidental or related thereto (the "Project"), which school facility shall have an anticipated useful life as an educational facility for the instruction of school children of at least 50 years, and for which the District may be eligible for a school construction grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority ("MSBA"), said amount to be expended at the direction of the School Building Committee. To meet this appropriation, the District is authorized to borrow said amount, under and pursuant to Chapter 71, Section 16 (n) of the General Laws and the Regional Agreement, as amended, or pursuant to any other enabling authority. The District acknowledges that the MSBA's grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need as determined by the MSBA, and any Project costs the District incurs in excess of any grant approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the District; provided further that any grant that the District may receive from the MSBA shall not exceed the lesser of (1) fifty-one point twenty-eight percent (51.28%) of eligible, approved Project costs, as determined by the MSBA, or (2) the total maximum grant amount determined by the MSBA, and that the amount of borrowing authorized pursuant to this vote shall be reduced by any grant amount set forth in the Project Funding Agreement that may be executed between the District and the MSBA.

YES ☐

NO ☐