

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING AND VOTE

Sandy Creek Central School District

Budget Hearing

A budget hearing for the inhabitants of the Sandy Creek Central School District qualified to vote at School District meetings will be held at the Sandy Creek School District Board Room, 124 Salisbury Street, Sandy Creek, NY 13145 commencing at 6:00pm on May 7, 2026 where there shall be presented the proposed School District budget for the following school year.

Date of Vote

The vote upon the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures or for any propositions involving the expenditure of money or the authorizing of levy of taxes, as well as the election of members of the Board of Education shall be held on Tuesday, May 19, 2026 at the Sandy Creek District Office Board of Education Room, 124 Salisbury Street, Sandy Creek, NY 13145 between the hours of 12:00 pm – 8:00 pm.

Statement of Money Required for Next School Year

A copy of the statement of the amount of money which would be required for the next school year for school purposes shall be completed seven days before the budget hearing and may be obtained by any resident of the District at the District Office during the period of 14 days immediately before the annual meeting and election, between the hours of 9:00am and 4:00pm, except Saturday, Sunday or holiday.

Vote for Board Members

Petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education must be filed with the Clerk of the District between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:00 pm and not later than 5:00pm on April 20, 2026. The following vacancies are to be filled:

One (2)- Five (5) year term ending June 30, 2031 currently held by:

**Kevin Halsey
John Macklen**

Each petition must be addressed to the Clerk of the District, be signed by at least 25 qualified voters of the District, shall state the residence of each signer, the name and address of the candidate, and shall include at least the length of term of office, and the name of the last incumbent.

Absentee and Early Mail Ballots

Applications for absentee and early mail ballots may be applied for at the office of the District Clerk. Such applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven days before the vote set in this notice if the ballot is to be mailed to the absentee voter or the day before the vote if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. Absentee and early mail ballots must be received in the office of the District Clerk of the District not later than 5:00pm on the day of the vote.

A list of all persons to whom absentee and early mail voters' ballots have been issued shall be available for public inspection during regular office hours which are between the hours of 8:00am and 4:00pm. Any qualified voter, may upon examination of such list, file written challenge of qualifications of a voter of any person whose name appears on such list, stating the reasons for the challenge. Such written challenge shall be transmitted by the Clerk or designee to the Inspectors of Election on election day.

Military Ballots

Military voters who are not currently registered may apply to register as a qualified voter of the school district by requesting to be registered by the District Clerk at 315-387-3445 xt.1510 or cora.harvey@sccs.cnyric.org. Registered, qualified voters of the School District may apply for a military ballot by requesting an application from the District Clerk at the phone number or email address listed above. For a military voter to be issued a military ballot, the District Clerk must have received a valid ballot application no later than 5:00 pm on April 23, 2026. In a request for a military ballot application or ballot, the military voter may indicate their preference for receiving the application or ballot by mail, facsimile transmission or electronic mail.

Registration

Personal registration of voters is required for the annual vote, and no person shall be entitled to the vote thereat whose name does not appear in the register of the school district, except those persons who registered to vote pursuant to the provisions of Election Law § 5-612. Persons otherwise qualified to vote who voted in any annual vote conducted within four calendar years before the preparation of the register need not personally register for this vote. Members of the Board of Registration shall meet at the places hereinafter designated and each election district as voting places on Tuesday, May 5, 2026 between the hours of 10:00am

– 2:00pm at the District Office to prepare the register of the school district for each election district. Any person shall be entitled to have his or her name placed upon such register in the district in which that person resides, provided that in such meeting of the Board of Registration that person is known or proven to the satisfaction of such members to be then and thereafter entitled to vote at the annual vote for which the registration is prepared. Any person 18 years of age or over, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the school district for 30 days next preceding the date for voting is entitled to register and vote. The register of the school district so prepared shall be filed five days before the date of the vote, May 14, 2026, in the office of the District Clerk, located at the Sandy Creek Central School District where it shall be open for inspection by any qualified voter of the district between the hours of 8:00am – 4:00pm, each day up to and including the day set for the vote, except Sundays or a holiday.

Dated: April 3, 2026

**By the order of the Board of
Education of the Sandy Creek
Central School District
By: Cora Harvey
District Clerk**