

# SPECIMEN BALLOT



**ABSENTEE  
OFFICIAL BALLOT  
DISTRICT ELECTION  
TRI-COUNTY REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL  
SCHOOL DISTRICT  
OCTOBER 24, 2023**

### INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

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

### BALLOT QUESTION

Do you approve of the vote of the Regional District School Committee of the Tri-County Regional Vocational Technical School District, adopted on September 20, 2023, to authorize the borrowing of \$285,992,692 to pay costs of designing, constructing, originally equipping and furnishing a new District high school to be located at 147 Pond Street, Franklin, Massachusetts, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto, which vote provides, in relevant part, as follows:

"VOTED: That the Tri-County Regional Vocational Technical School District (the "District") hereby appropriates the amount of \$285,992,692 for the purpose of paying costs of designing, constructing, originally equipping and furnishing a new District high school and related athletic facilities, located at 147 Pond Street, Franklin, Massachusetts, including the payment of all costs incidental and 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 G.L. c. 71, §16(n), and the District 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-six and fifty-six one hundredths percent (56.56%) of eligible, approved Project costs, as determined by the MSBA, and (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. The debt authorized by this vote of the Committee shall be submitted to the registered voters of the District's member communities for approval at a District-wide election to be held on Tuesday, October 24, 2023 in accordance with the provisions of G.L. c. 71, §16(n) and the District Agreement."

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "P. L. W.", written over a faint circular stamp.

District Secretary  
Tri-County Regional Vocational  
Technical School District

YES

NO