

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING, BUDGET VOTE AND ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a Public Hearing on the proposed 2025-2026 Budget for the Piseco Common School District shall be held in the meeting room of the Piseco School, Piseco, New York, on May 8, 2025 at 6:00 p.m., prevailing time. The budget will be available for review at the District Office, Piseco, New York, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., weekdays, during the fourteen (14) days preceding the date of the election.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual meeting of the qualified voters of the Piseco Common School District will be held on Tuesday, May 20, 2025 between the hours of 12:00 pm and 8:00 pm, prevailing time, in the meeting room of the Piseco School, Piseco, New York, at which time the polls will be open to vote by paper ballot on the following items:

1. 2025 -2026 BUDGET

To adopt the annual budget of the Piseco Common School District for the fiscal year 2025-26 and to authorize the requisite portion therefore to be raised by taxation on the taxable property on the District.

2. ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBER SEATS

To elect 1 member of the Board of Education to a three (3) year term, commencing on July 1, 2025 and expiring on June 30, 2028 to succeed Christine Michienzi, whose term expires on June 30, 2025.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required to fund the School District's budget for the 2025-2026 school year, exclusive of public monies, may be obtained by any resident in the District during the fourteen (14) days immediately preceding the Annual Meeting except Saturdays, Sundays or holidays, at District school buildings between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., prevailing time and also at said District Election. A report of tax exemptions, showing how much of the total assessed value on the final assessment roll or rolls used in that budgetary process is exempt from taxation, shall be annexed to the budget document.

The election and budget vote shall be by paper ballot or early mail or absentee ballot. The hours during which the polls shall be kept open shall be from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. prevailing time or for as long thereafter as necessary to enable qualified voters who are in the polling place at 8:00 p.m. to cast their ballots.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education shall be filed with the District Clerk at the District Clerk's office in Piseco, New York, not later than April 21, 2025 at 4:00 p.m., prevailing time. Each petition must be directed to the District Clerk, must be signed by at least twenty-five (25) qualified voters and must state the name and residence of the qualified voter. A copy of such petition may be obtained at the Office of District Clerk during regular school hours or on the district website at <https://www.pisecoschool.com/>.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that applications for early mail and absentee ballots will be obtainable and are returnable no earlier than April 22, 2025 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, except holidays, from the District Clerk. Completed applications for early mail and absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days prior to the vote (Deadline:

May 13, 2025) if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter. If the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter, the application is due the day before the election (Deadline: May 19, 2025).

Early mail and absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. on May 20, 2025.

A list of all persons to whom early mail and absentee ballots shall have been issued will be available in the office of the District Clerk from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. prevailing time on each of the five (5) days prior to the day of the election, except weekends, up to the day set for the election. Any qualified voter may challenge the acceptance of the ballot of any person on such list, by making his/her challenge and reasons therefore known to the Inspector of Election before the close of the polls. A challenge against an early mail ballot cannot be based on the reason that the voter should have obtained or applied for an absentee ballot.

The Education Law makes special provisions for absentee voting by "permanently disabled" voters of the District and any questions regarding these rights should be directed to the Clerk of the Board.

The Education Law also makes special provisions for absentee voting for "military" voters of the District. Specifically, the law provides a unique procedure for "military ballots" in school district votes. Whereas early mail and absentee ballot applications and early mail and absentee ballots must be received by the voter by mail or in person, a military voter may elect to receive his/her absentee ballot application and absentee ballot by mail, email or facsimile. The military voter must, however, return his/her original military ballot application and military ballot by mail or in person. The Clerk of the Board shall transmit the military voter's military ballot in accordance with the military voter's preferred method of transmission not later than 25 days before the vote, April 25, 2025. The Clerk of the Board must then receive the military voter's military ballot by mail or in person not later than 5:00 p.m. on the day of the vote.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the qualified voters of the School District shall be entitled to vote in said annual vote and election. A qualified voter is one who is (1) a citizen of the United States of America, (2) eighteen (18) years of age or older, and (3) resident within the School District for a period of thirty (30) days preceding the annual vote and election. The School District may require all persons offering to vote at the budget vote and election to provide one form of proof of residency pursuant to Education Law section 2018-c. Such form may include a driver's license, a non-driver identification card, a redacted tax return or any identification containing the person's physical address. Upon offer of proof of residency, the School District may also require all persons offering to vote to provide their signature, printed name and address.

Dated March 12, 2025

Victoria O. Orr, District Clerk Piseco
Common School District
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Run Dates: April 2, 2025
 April 16, 2025
 April 30, 2025
 May 7, 2025