

**THIS BALLOT CANNOT BE VOTED. IT IS A SAMPLE OF THE OFFICIAL SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD BALLOT USED IN THE VOTING MACHINES ON ELECTION DAY.**

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# OFFICIAL SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION SAMPLE BALLOT


South Hunterdon Regional High School District—Stockton Borough  
 Hunterdon County, New Jersey • Tuesday, September 24, 2013

## SOUTH HUNTERDON REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT—STOCKTON BOROUGH

<b>SOUTH HUNTERDON REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT                  STOCKTON BOROUGH                  REFERENDUM QUESTION #1</b>	
Shall the South Hunterdon Regional School District be dissolved on a date to be determined by the Commissioner of Education?	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>INTERPRETATIVE STATEMENT #1</b>	
The future configuration of the current four school districts will be affected by the results of BOTH referendum questions. Passage of both Questions #1 and #2 is necessary for regionalization to take place. If Question #1 is approved and Question #2 is not approved, the following will result: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approval by the voters of Question #2 is required for the dissolution of the South Hunterdon Regional School District. <u>Therefore, if Question #2 is not approved, dissolution will not take place.</u></li> <li>• In addition, no transfer of ownership of the South Hunterdon Regional High School Building and grounds will occur; no capital indebtedness will be assumed by any of the four school districts; and no change in the borrowing margin will occur for any of the districts.</li> </ul>	
<b>SOUTH HUNTERDON REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT                  STOCKTON BOROUGH                  REFERENDUM QUESTION #2</b>	
Shall the Boards of Education of the Lambertville School District, Stockton School District, and West Amwell Township School District join and create an all-purpose regional PK-12 school district, the annual and special appropriations for such regional school district to be apportioned upon the following basis: 57% on each municipality's equalized valuation allocated to the regional district as provided by state law and 43% on the proportional number of pupils enrolled from each municipality on the 15th day of October of the prebudget year?	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>INTERPRETATIVE STATEMENT #2</b>	
The future configuration of the current four school districts will be affected by the results of BOTH referendum questions. Passage of both Questions #1 and #2 is necessary for regionalization to take place. If approved, the West Amwell Township School District, the Stockton School District, and the Lambertville School District will be dissolved and the three will unite to form an all-purpose regional school district responsible for the education of all PK-12 students residing in the three communities. Ownership of the South Hunterdon Regional High School building and grounds, the West Amwell Township Elementary School building and grounds, the Lambertville Public School building and grounds, and the Stockton School building and grounds, will pass to the newly-created all-purpose regional school district. The newly created all-purpose regional school district will assume the school debt of each constituent school district, which, as of June 30, 2012, totaled \$18,075,901. Based upon this level of debt, the newly created all-purpose regional school district will have an available borrowing margin of \$36,624,910. The local tax levy for the newly created all-purpose regional school district will be allocated each year among the constituent municipalities of Stockton, Lambertville, and West Amwell. The "annual and special appropriations" formula in Question #2 refers to the way in which the State will allocate the tax levy among the three municipalities each year. Therefore, 57% of the tax levy will be allocated based upon the relative equalized property values in each of the three municipalities, while the remaining 43% of the tax levy will be allocated based upon the relative number of pupils enrolled in the regional district the previous year from each municipality.	

**TO RECORD YOUR VOTE**  
 DO NOT PRESS THE 'CAST VOTE' BUTTON UNTIL YOU  
 HAVE MADE ALL DESIRED SELECTIONS  
**CAST VOTE**  
**BUTTON**

# INSTRUCTIONS FOR VOTING

- 1** TO VOTE IN FAVOR OF A PROPOSITION OR PROPOSAL, PRESS THE ■ BUTTON TO THE RIGHT OF THE WORD "YES". TO VOTE AGAINST THE PROPOSITION OR PROPOSAL, PRESS THE ■ BUTTON TO THE RIGHT OF THE WORD "NO". A **GREEN ARROW** WILL APPEAR NEXT TO YOUR SELECTION.
- 2** TO CHANGE ANY SELECTION, PRESS THE ■ BUTTON AGAIN. THE **GREEN ARROW** WILL DISAPPEAR AND YOU MAY MAKE A NEW SELECTION.
- 3** AFTER YOU HAVE COMPLETED ALL YOUR SELECTIONS, THEN PRESS THE  BUTTON LOCATED IN THE LOWER RIGHT HAND CORNER OF THE MACHINE. THIS ELECTRONICALLY RECORDS ALL YOUR VOTES.
- 4** PART THE CURTAINS AND EXIT THE VOTING BOOTH.

## VOTERS! ATTENTION!

Familiarize yourselves with this ballot and instructions. It will assist you in voting, and save you time on Election Day.

### IMPORTANT!

All voters who can, should vote early in the day and thus avoid possibility of congestion and inconvenience to themselves and others near the close of the polls.

**POLLS OPEN BETWEEN**  
**7 A.M. AND 9 P.M.**

Mail-in ballots are available, in person, at the County Clerk's Office located at 71 Main Street, Flemington Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. until the deadline of 3:00 p.m. on the Monday before the Special School Election Day. Special hours on Thursday, September 19th until 7:00 p.m. and Saturday, September 21st from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

You may authorize a messenger to appear at the County Clerk's Office with your completed Application for Vote by Mail Ballot.

Please call 908-788-1214 for more Mail-in Ballot information.

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