

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL SCHOOL ELECTIONS,
JOHNSTON SCHOOL DISTRICT,
IN THE COUNTY OF POLK, STATE OF IOWA
MARCH 2, 2021**

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to the qualified electors of the JOHNSTON Community School Districts in the County of Polk, State of Iowa, that a Special School Election will be held on Tuesday, March 2, 2021. JOHNSTON School District will vote on Public Measure Letter JA and JB. Full text of both Public Measures are included in this publication. **All voters in the Johnston School District can visit any of the following Johnston School District Locations.**

All Polls will be open from 7:00 AM until 8:00 PM.

PLEASE NOTE: Not all School Precincts will be used, however, Voters can visit any one of the Precincts listed below.

**JOHNSTON SCHOOL DISTRICT Precinct Locations are as follows:
All voters in the Johnston School District can visit any of the following Johnston School District Locations.**

Johnston School Polling Locations	Polling Address
ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH	4300 BEAVER AVE.
GRIMES UNITED METHODIST CHURCH	801 W. 1ST ST.
JOHNSTON CITY HALL	6221 MERLE HAY RD
CROWN POINT COMMUNITY CENTER	6300 PIONEER PKWY.
STONEY CREEK HOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTER	5291 STONEY CREEK COURT
JOHNSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY	6700 MERLE HAY RD.

FULL TEXT OF PUBLIC MEASURE LETTER JA

SHALL THE FOLLOWING PUBLIC MEASURE BE ADOPTED?

Summary: To adopt a Revenue Purpose Statement specifying the use of revenues the Johnston Community School District will receive from the State of Iowa Secure an Advanced Vision for Education Fund.

In the Johnston Community School District, the following Revenue Purpose Statement which specifies the use of revenues the Johnston Community School District will receive from the State of Iowa Secure an Advanced Vision for Education Fund shall be adopted.

To provide funds to acquire or install information technology infrastructure (including improving buildings or sites for the purpose of accessing broadband digital telecommunications) and school safety and security infrastructure.

To provide funds to build and furnish a new school building or buildings; to build and furnish addition(s) to school buildings in the District; to remodel, reconstruct, repair, expand, and improve the school buildings in the District; to purchase and improve grounds; for demolition work; to furnish and equip district facilities.

To provide funds for the purchase, lease or lease-purchase of buildings, equipment (including transportation and recreation equipment, or technology and to repair transportation equipment for transporting students as authorized by law, to implement energy conservation measures, sharing or rental of facilities including a joint infrastructure project for the purposes of offering classes under a district-to-community college as authorized in Iowa Code Section 423F.3(3)(c), procuring or acquisition of libraries, or opening roads to schoolhouses or buildings.

To provide funds to purchase land as part of start-up costs for new student construction program or if the sale of the previous student construction was insufficient to purchase land, and to purchase construction materials and supplies for a student-constructed building or shed intended to be retained by and used by the District.

To provide funds to make payments to a municipality or other entity as required under Iowa Code Section 403.19(2). To provide funds for demolition, cleanup, and other costs if such costs are necessitated by, and incurred within two years of, a disaster.

To provide funds to establish and maintain public recreation places and playgrounds; provide for supervision and instruction for recreational activities; or for community education purposes.

To provide funds for the payment of principal and interest or retirement of general obligation bonds issued for school infrastructure purposes, energy improvement loans, loan agreements authorized by Iowa Code Section 297.36, sales, service and use tax revenue bonds issued under Iowa Code Section 423E.5 or Iowa Code Section 423F.4.

To provide funds for property tax relief; and

To provide funds for other authorized expenditures and purposes as now or hereafter permitted by law and designated by the Johnston Community School District.

It being understood that if this proposition should fail to be approved by the voters, such failure shall not be construed to terminate or restrict authority previously granted by the voters to expend receipts from the Secure an Advanced Vision for Education Fund.

If approved, this Revenue Purpose Statement shall remain in effect until replaced or amended by the Johnston Community School District.

“If a majority of eligible electors voting on the question fail to approve this Revenue Purpose Statement, then upon expiration of the current Revenue Purpose Statement, then upon expiration of the current Revenue Purpose Statement, revenues received by the School District from the Secure an Advanced Vision for Education fund shall be expended in the following order:

The payment of bonds for which SAVE Revenue has been pledged;

Reduction of bond levies under Iowa Code Sections 298.18 and 298.18A and all other debt levies;

Reduction of the regular and voter-approved physical plant and equipment levy under Iowa Code Section 298.2;

Reduction of the public educational and recreational levy under Iowa Code Section 300.2;

For any authorized infrastructure purpose of the school district as defined in Iowa Code Section 423F.3(6); and

For the payment of principal and interest on bonds issued under Iowa Code Sections 423E.5 and 423F.4”

FULL TEXT OF PUBLIC MEASURE LETTER JB

SHALL THE FOLLOWING PUBLIC MEASURE BE ADOPTED?

Shall the Board of Directors of the Johnston Community School District, in the County of Polk, State of Iowa, for the purpose of purchasing and improving grounds; constructing schoolhouses or buildings and opening roads to schoolhouses or buildings; purchasing of buildings; purchase, lease or lease-purchase of technology and equipment; paying debts contracted for the erection or construction of schoolhouses or buildings, not including interest on bonds; procuring or acquisition of libraries; repairing, remodeling, reconstructing, improving, or expanding the schoolhouses or buildings and additions to existing schoolhouses; expenditures for energy conservation; renting facilities under Iowa Code Chapter 28E; purchasing transportation equipment for transporting students; lease purchase option agreements for school buildings or equipment; purchasing equipment authorized by law; or for any purpose or purposes now or hereafter authorized by law, be authorized for a period of ten (10) years to levy a voter-approved physical plant and equipment property tax of not exceeding One Dollar Thirty-four Cents (\$1.34) per One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) of assessed valuation of the taxable property within the school district, commencing with the levy of property taxes for collection in the fiscal year ending June 30,2024, or each year thereafter?

Any voter who is physically unable to enter a polling place has the right to vote in the voter’s vehicle. For further information, please contact the Polk County Election Office at 286-3247 or election@polkcountyiowa.gov. Public Machine testing will commence Monday, February 22 and continue until Monday, March 1 at each precinct.

Pre-registered voters are required to provide an approved form of identification at the polling place before receiving and casting a regular ballot. Voters who are not pre-registered – such as voters registering to vote on Election Day – and voters changing precincts must also provide proof of residence. A voter who is unable to provide an approved form of identification (or prove residence if required) 1) may have the voter’s identity/residence attested to by another registered voter in the precinct, 2) prove identity and residence using Election Day Registration documents, or 3) cast a provisional ballot and provide proof of identity/residence at the county auditor’s office by Noon, March 4th. Election Day Registrant attestors must provide an approved form of identification. For additional information about providing proof of identity and/or residence visit: <https://sos.iowa.gov/voterid> or phone (515) 286-3247.

I hereby certify that the ballot to be used at this election shall be substantially in the form published within this publication. All qualified electors of the JOHNSTON Community School Districts are hereby notified to appear at said time and place, vote at the polling place designated, and advised as to the requirements of voter registration in order to be eligible to vote as authorized by law.

Polk County Auditor
Commissioner of Elections

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