

Legislative Update October 2023

At the last possible minute, the **Federal legislators passed a bill to fund our government until November 17**. There is a lot of political jockeying over this issue and it's my hope that the legislators understand it is their responsibility to make sure our government has the money it needs to function. Please keep your eyes out for news on these funding issues as I am sure the next 45 days will be full of turmoil in the Senate and Congress.

Here in New Jersey, we will be electing/reelecting the entire Legislative Body. The candidates that have been endorsed by NJEA here in our area are listed below. These candidate, when screened in their particular counties, agreed with NJEA on educational issues and issues that affect education, students, schools and school employees. Please look into the candidates in your District so you can familiarize yourself with them before you vote.

Locally NJEA has endorsed the following candidates:

LD #6 James Beach (D) for Senate, for Assembly Pam Lampitt (D), Lou Greenwald (D)

LD # 7 Troy Singleton (D) for Senate, for Assembly Herb Conaway (D), Carol Murphy (D)

LD # 8 Latham Tiver (R) for Senate, for Assembly Brandon Umba (R), Anthony Angelozzi (D)

LD #12 No Senate Endorsement, for Assembly Robert Clifton (R), Alex Sauickie (R)

Mail in Ballots have been mailed out and if you are using them, they must be postmarked or returned in person by November 7th. Other important election dates are listed below.

Important Dates to Remember:

Oct. 17- Voter Registration Deadline for General Election

Oct. 28- November 5- Early Voting Period for General Election

Oct. 31 – Nov. 5- Deadline to apply for a Vote-By-Mail Ballot by mail for General Election

Nov. 6 - Deadline for in-person **Vote-By-Mail Ballot applications** for General Election (by 3 p.m.)

Nov. 7 - General Election

Respectfully Submitted,

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