

# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

**Putnam County, WV**

**Primary Election**

**May 14, 2024**

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**STATE TICKET**

**FOR STATE SENATOR  
8TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

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Red House Putnam Co.

**FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES  
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- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
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<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
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<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

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The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

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In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

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**NATIONAL TICKET**

**FOR PRESIDENT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**DAVID STUCKENBERG**  
Tampa, FL

**RACHEL HANNA MoHAWK SWIFT**  
Hagerstown, MD

**RYAN L. BINKLEY**  
Dallas, TX

**NIKKI R. HALEY**  
Kiawah Island, SC

**DONALD J. TRUMP**  
Palm Beach, FL

**FOR U.S. SENATOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

**ZANE LAWHORN**  
Princeton Mercer Co.

**JIM JUSTICE**  
Lewisburg Greenbrier Co.

**BRYAN BIRD**  
Beckley Raleigh Co.

**JANET McNULTY**  
Martinsburg Berkeley Co.

**ALEXANDER X. MOONEY**  
Charles Town Jefferson Co.

**BRYAN McKINNEY**  
Inwood Berkeley Co.

**DON LINDSAY**  
Lost River Hardy Co.

**FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**DERRICK EVANS**  
Prichard, WV Wayne Co.

**CAROL MILLER**  
Huntington, WV Cabell Co.

**STATE TICKET**

**FOR GOVERNOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

**MAC WARNER**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**MITCH ROBERTS**  
Poca Putnam Co.

**MOORE CAPITO**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**PATRICK MORRISEY**  
Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.

**CHRIS MILLER**  
Huntington Cabell Co.

**KEVIN "KC" CHRISTIAN**  
Chloe Calhoun Co.

**FOR SECRETARY OF STATE**  
(Vote for ONE)

**KRIS WARNER**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**KEN REED**  
Hedgesville Morgan Co.

**BRIAN WOOD**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

**DOUG SKAFF JR.**  
South Charleston Kanawha Co.

**FOR AUDITOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

**CALEB L. HANNA**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**MARK HUNT**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**TRICIA JACKSON**  
Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.

**ERIC L. HOUSEHOLDER**  
Martinsburg Berkeley Co.

**FOR TREASURER**  
(Vote for ONE)

**LARRY PACK**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE**  
(Vote for ONE)

**ROY RAMEY**  
Lesage Cabell Co.

**KENT LEONHARDT**  
Fairview Monongalia Co.

**JOSHUA KURT HIGGINBOTHAM**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JOHN "JB" McCUSKEY**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**MIKE STUART**  
South Charleston Kanawha Co.

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**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

**Putnam County, WV**

**Primary Election**

**May 14, 2024**

<p><b>INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER</b> To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATE TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>AMY NICHOLE GRADY</b> Leon Mason Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NATIONAL TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DAVID STUCKENBERG</b> Tampa, FL</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RACHEL HANNA MoHAWK SWIFT</b> Hagerstown, MD</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RYAN L. BINKLEY</b> Dallas, TX</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>NIKKI R. HALEY</b> Kiawah Island, SC</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DONALD J. TRUMP</b> Palm Beach, FL</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 20TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JACOB LOSH</b> Scott Depot Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>SARAH DRENNAN</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JEAN ANNE LUIKART</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ZANE LAWHORN</b> Princeton Mercer Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JIM JUSTICE</b> Lewisburg Greenbrier Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRYAN BIRD</b> Beckley Raleigh Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JANET McNULTY</b> Martinsburg Berkeley Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ALEXANDER X. MOONEY</b> Charles Town Jefferson Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRYAN McKINNEY</b> Inwood Berkeley Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DON LINDSAY</b> Lost River Hardy Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>HALEY BUNN</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ERIC B. WHITNEY</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>SARAH WEAVER</b> Buffalo Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LARRY WINGO</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DERRICK EVANS</b> Prichard, WV Wayne Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CAROL MILLER</b> Huntington, WV Cabell Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHARLES S TRUMP IV</b> Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>COUNTY TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ANDY SKIDMORE</b> Scott Depot</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KRIS WARNER</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KEN REED</b> Hedgesville Morgan Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRIAN WOOD</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DOUG SKAFF JR.</b> South Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JON D. HOOVER</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PHILLIP M. STOWERS</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ROBERT "BOBBY" EGGLETON</b> Leon</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CALEB L. HANNA</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MARK HUNT</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>TRICIA JACKSON</b> Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ERIC L. HOUSEHOLDER</b> Martinsburg Berkeley Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>GARY WARNER</b> Red House</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LARRY PACK</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RICHARD "RICK" WITT</b> Red House Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ROY RAMEY</b> Lesage Cabell Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KENT LEONHARDT</b> Fairview Monongalia Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOSHUA KURT HIGGINBOTHAM</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LINDA J. HUNT</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PAUL SOWARDS</b> Hurricane District III</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>J. CHRISTIAN WELLS</b> Winfield District I</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHUCK HATFIELD</b> Hurricane District III</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JACOB FERTIG</b> Scott Depot District I</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOHN "JB" McCUSKEY</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MIKE STUART</b> South Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MICHAEL WOLPERT</b> Hurricane</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>VOTE BOTH SIDES</b></p>		

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
Class II	45.90
Class III	91.80
Class IV	91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
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**VOTE BOTH SIDES**



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STATE TICKET

FOR STATE SENATOR 8TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ GLENN D. JEFFRIES Red House Putnam Co.

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ KATHIE HESS CROUSE Buffalo Putnam Co.

○ DEBBIE DEWEESE Buffalo Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

○ CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ S. RYAN WHITE Charleston Kanawha Co.

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○ MYCHAL S. SCHULZ Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ JON D. HOOVER Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ PHILLIP M. STOWERS Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

○ JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

○ RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ LINDA J. HUNT Winfield Putnam Co.

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

○ JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

○ ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.

○ SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.

○ LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

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COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

○ ANDY SKIDMORE Scott Depot

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

○ KRIS RAYNES Eleanor

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

○ ROBERT "BOBBY" EGGLETON Leon

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

○ GARY WARNER Red House

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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○ CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

○ JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

○ Write-in, If Any

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OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

○ Write-in, If Any

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**



OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.

STATE TICKET

FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ AMY NICHOLE GRADY Leon Mason, Co.

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 21ST DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ JARRED CANNON Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

○ CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ S. RYAN WHITE Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ ELGINE HECETA McARDLE Wheeling Ohio Co.

○ MYCHAL S. SCHULZ Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ JON D. HOOVER Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ PHILLIP M. STOWERS Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

○ JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

○ RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ LINDA J. HUNT Winfield Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

○ JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

○ ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.

○ SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.

○ LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

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COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

○ ANDY SKIDMORE Scott Depot

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

○ KRIS RAYNES Eleanor

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

○ ROBERT "BOBBY" EGGLETON Leon

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

○ GARY WARNER Red House

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

○ PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III

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○ JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

○ Write-in, If Any

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○ Write-in, If Any

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

○ Write-in, If Any

○ Write-in, If Any

○ Write-in, If Any

VOTE BOTH SIDES

NATIONAL TICKET

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

○ DAVID STUCKENBERG Tampa, FL

○ RACHEL HANNA MoHAWK SWIFT Hagerstown, MD

○ RYAN L. BINKLEY Dallas, TX

○ NIKKI R. HALEY Kiawah Island, SC

○ DONALD J. TRUMP Palm Beach, FL

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

○ ZANE LAWHORN Princeton Mercer Co.

○ JIM JUSTICE Lewisburg Greenbrier Co.

○ BRYAN BIRD Beckley Raleigh Co.

○ JANET McNULTY Martinsburg Berkeley Co.

○ ALEXANDER X. MOONEY Charles Town Jefferson Co.

○ BRYAN McKINNEY Inwood Berkeley Co.

○ DON LINDSAY Lost River Hardy Co.

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ DERRICK EVANS Prichard, WV Wayne Co.

○ CAROL MILLER Huntington, WV Cabell Co.

STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

○ MAC WARNER Charleston Kanawha Co.

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○ CHRIS MILLER Huntington Cabell Co.

○ KEVIN "KC" CHRISTIAN Chloe Calhoun Co.

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

○ KRIS WARNER Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ KEN REED Hedgesville Morgan Co.

○ BRIAN WOOD Winfield Putnam Co.

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○ MARK HUNT Charleston Kanawha Co.

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○ ERIC L. HOUSEHOLDER Martinsburg Berkeley Co.

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

○ LARRY PACK Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

○ ROY RAMEY Lesage Cabell Co.

○ KENT LEONHARDT Fairview Monongalia Co.

○ JOSHUA KURT HIGGINBOTHAM Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

○ JOHN "JB" McCUSKEY Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ MIKE STUART South Charleston Kanawha Co.

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
Class II	45.90
Class III	91.80
Class IV	91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

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- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

**Putnam County, WV**

**Primary Election**

**May 14, 2024**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER**

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**STATE TICKET**

**FOR STATE SENATOR  
4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**AMY NICHOLE GRADY**  
Leon Mason Co.

**FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES  
21ST DELEGATE DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JARRED CANNON**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUDICIAL OFFICERS**

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF  
APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**HALEY BUNN**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

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Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF  
APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2**  
(Vote for ONE)

**CHARLES S TRUMP IV**  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

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Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE  
COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**S. RYAN WHITE**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**ELGINE HECETA McARDLE**  
Wheeling Ohio Co.

**MYCHAL S. SCHULZ**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

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Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE  
7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JON D. HOOVER**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

**PHILLIP M. STOWERS**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

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Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE  
7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

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Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
FAMILY COURT JUDGE  
26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**RICHARD "RICK" WITT**  
Red House Putnam Co.

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Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUDICIAL OFFICERS**

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JEAN ANNE LUIKART**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

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Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3**  
(Vote for ONE)

**ERIC B. WHITNEY**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

**SARAH WEAVER**  
Buffalo Putnam Co.

**LARRY WINGO**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

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Write-in, If Any

**COUNTY TICKET**

**FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER**  
(Vote for ONE)

**ANDY SKIDMORE**  
Scott Depot

**FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY**  
(Vote for ONE)

**KRIS RAYNES**  
Eleanor

**FOR SHERIFF**  
(Vote for ONE)

**ROBERT "BOBBY" EGGLETON**  
Leon

**FOR ASSESSOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

**GARY WARNER**  
Red House

**FOR SURVEYOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

**OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF  
ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM  
COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
(Vote For Not More Than TWO)  
Maximum eligible to be elected from each  
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**PAUL SOWARDS**  
Hurricane District III

**J. CHRISTIAN WELLS**  
Winfield District I

**CHUCK HATFIELD**  
Hurricane District III

**JACOB FERTIG**  
Scott Depot District I

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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

**OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT**

**FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR  
WESTERN DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**MICHAEL WOLPERT**  
Hurricane

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Write-in, If Any

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

**NATIONAL TICKET**

**FOR PRESIDENT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**DAVID STUCKENBERG**  
Tampa, FL

**RACHEL HANNA MoHAWK SWIFT**  
Hagerstown, MD

**RYAN L. BINKLEY**  
Dallas, TX

**NIKKI R. HALEY**  
Kiawah Island, SC

**DONALD J. TRUMP**  
Palm Beach, FL

**FOR U.S. SENATOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

**ZANE LAWHORN**  
Princeton Mercer Co.

**JIM JUSTICE**  
Lewisburg Greenbrier Co.

**BRYAN BIRD**  
Beckley Raleigh Co.

**JANET McNULTY**  
Martinsburg Berkeley Co.

**ALEXANDER X. MOONEY**  
Charles Town Jefferson Co.

**BRYAN McKINNEY**  
Inwood Berkeley Co.

**DON LINDSAY**  
Lost River Hardy Co.

**FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**DERRICK EVANS**  
Prichard, WV Wayne Co.

**CAROL MILLER**  
Huntington, WV Cabell Co.

**STATE TICKET**

**FOR GOVERNOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

**MAC WARNER**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**MITCH ROBERTS**  
Poca Putnam Co.

**MOORE CAPITO**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**PATRICK MORRISEY**  
Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.

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Huntington Cabell Co.

**KEVIN "KC" CHRISTIAN**  
Chloe Calhoun Co.

**FOR SECRETARY OF STATE**  
(Vote for ONE)

**KRIS WARNER**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

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**FOR AUDITOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

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Martinsburg Berkeley Co.

**FOR TREASURER**  
(Vote for ONE)

**LARRY PACK**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE**  
(Vote for ONE)

**ROY RAMEY**  
Lesage Cabell Co.

**KENT LEONHARDT**  
Fairview Monongalia Co.

**JOSHUA KURT HIGGINBOTHAM**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JOHN "JB" McCUSKEY**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**MIKE STUART**  
South Charleston Kanawha Co.

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
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<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

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NATIONAL TICKET

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

○ DAVID STUCKENBERG Tampa, FL

○ RACHEL HANNA MoHAWK SWIFT Hagerstown, MD

○ RYAN L. BINKLEY Dallas, TX

○ NIKKI R. HALEY Kiawah Island, SC

○ DONALD J. TRUMP Palm Beach, FL

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

○ ZANE LAWHORN Princeton Mercer Co.

○ JIM JUSTICE Lewisburg Greenbrier Co.

○ BRYAN BIRD Beckley Raleigh Co.

○ JANET McNULTY Martinsburg Berkeley Co.

○ ALEXANDER X. MOONEY Charles Town Jefferson Co.

○ BRYAN McKINNEY Inwood Berkeley Co.

○ DON LINDSAY Lost River Hardy Co.

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ DERRICK EVANS Prichard, WV Wayne Co.

○ CAROL MILLER Huntington, WV Cabell Co.

STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

○ MAC WARNER Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ MITCH ROBERTS Poca Putnam Co.

○ MOORE CAPITO Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ PATRICK MORRISEY Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.

○ CHRIS MILLER Huntington Cabell Co.

○ KEVIN "KC" CHRISTIAN Chloe Calhoun Co.

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

○ KRIS WARNER Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ KEN REED Hedgesville Morgan Co.

○ BRIAN WOOD Winfield Putnam Co.

○ DOUG SKAFF JR. South Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

○ CALEB L. HANNA Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ MARK HUNT Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ TRICIA JACKSON Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.

○ ERIC L. HOUSEHOLDER Martinsburg Berkeley Co.

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

○ LARRY PACK Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

○ ROY RAMEY Lesage Cabell Co.

○ KENT LEONHARDT Fairview Monongalia Co.

○ JOSHUA KURT HIGGINBOTHAM Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

○ JOHN "JB" McCUSKEY Charleston Kanawha Co.

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(Vote for ONE)

**HALEY BUNN**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

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(Vote for ONE)

**S. RYAN WHITE**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**ELGINE HECETA McARDLE**  
Wheeling Ohio Co.

**MYCHAL S. SCHULZ**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

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**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE  
7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JON D. HOOVER**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

**PHILLIP M. STOWERS**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

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**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE  
7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

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**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
FAMILY COURT JUDGE  
26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**RICHARD "RICK" WITT**  
Red House Putnam Co.

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**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**LINDA J. HUNT**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

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**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUDICIAL OFFICERS**

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JEAN ANNE LUIKART**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

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**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3**  
(Vote for ONE)

**ERIC B. WHITNEY**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

**SARAH WEAVER**  
Buffalo Putnam Co.

**LARRY WINGO**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

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**COUNTY TICKET**

**FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER**  
(Vote for ONE)

**ANDY SKIDMORE**  
Scott Depot

**FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY**  
(Vote for ONE)

**KRIS RAYNES**  
Eleanor

**FOR SHERIFF**  
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Leon

**FOR ASSESSOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

**GARY WARNER**  
Red House

**FOR SURVEYOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

**OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF  
ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM  
COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
(Vote For Not More Than TWO)  
Maximum eligible to be elected from each  
district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

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Hurricane District III

**J. CHRISTIAN WELLS**  
Winfield District I

**CHUCK HATFIELD**  
Hurricane District III

**JACOB FERTIG**  
Scott Depot District I

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**OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT**

**FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR  
WESTERN DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**MICHAEL WOLPERT**  
Hurricane

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Write-in, If Any

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**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

**NATIONAL TICKET**

**FOR PRESIDENT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**DAVID STUCKENBERG**  
Tampa, FL

**RACHEL HANNA MoHAWK SWIFT**  
Hagerstown, MD

**RYAN L. BINKLEY**  
Dallas, TX

**NIKKI R. HALEY**  
Kiawah Island, SC

**DONALD J. TRUMP**  
Palm Beach, FL

**FOR U.S. SENATOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

**ZANE LAWHORN**  
Princeton Mercer Co.

**JIM JUSTICE**  
Lewisburg Greenbrier Co.

**BRYAN BIRD**  
Beckley Raleigh Co.

**JANET McNULTY**  
Martinsburg Berkeley Co.

**ALEXANDER X. MOONEY**  
Charles Town Jefferson Co.

**BRYAN McKINNEY**  
Inwood Berkeley Co.

**DON LINDSAY**  
Lost River Hardy Co.

**FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**DERRICK EVANS**  
Prichard, WV Wayne Co.

**CAROL MILLER**  
Huntington, WV Cabell Co.

**STATE TICKET**

**FOR GOVERNOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

**MAC WARNER**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**MITCH ROBERTS**  
Poca Putnam Co.

**MOORE CAPITO**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**PATRICK MORRISEY**  
Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.

**CHRIS MILLER**  
Huntington Cabell Co.

**KEVIN "KC" CHRISTIAN**  
Chloe Calhoun Co.

**FOR SECRETARY OF STATE**  
(Vote for ONE)

**KRIS WARNER**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**KEN REED**  
Hedgesville Morgan Co.

**BRIAN WOOD**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

**DOUG SKAFF JR.**  
South Charleston Kanawha Co.

**FOR AUDITOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

**CALEB L. HANNA**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**MARK HUNT**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**TRICIA JACKSON**  
Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.

**ERIC L. HOUSEHOLDER**  
Martinsburg Berkeley Co.

**FOR TREASURER**  
(Vote for ONE)

**LARRY PACK**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE**  
(Vote for ONE)

**ROY RAMEY**  
Lesage Cabell Co.

**KENT LEONHARDT**  
Fairview Monongalia Co.

**JOSHUA KURT HIGGINBOTHAM**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JOHN "JB" McCUSKEY**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**MIKE STUART**  
South Charleston Kanawha Co.

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
Class II	45.90
Class III	91.80
Class IV	91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.

STATE TICKET

FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ AMY NICHOLE GRADY Leon Mason, Co.

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 21ST DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ JARRED CANNON Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

○ CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ S. RYAN WHITE Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ ELGINE HECETA McARDLE Wheeling Ohio Co.

○ MYCHAL S. SCHULZ Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ JON D. HOOVER Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ PHILLIP M. STOWERS Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

○ JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

○ RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ LINDA J. HUNT Winfield Putnam Co.

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

○ JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

○ ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.

○ SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.

○ LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

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COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

○ ANDY SKIDMORE Scott Depot

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

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FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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○ CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

○ JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

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OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

○ Write-in, If Any

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VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**



# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

**Putnam County, WV**

**Primary Election**

**May 14, 2024**

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NATIONAL TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR PRESIDENT</b> (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DAVID STUCKENBERG</b> Tampa, FL</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RACHEL HANNA MoHAWK SWIFT</b> Hagerstown, MD</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RYAN L. BINKLEY</b> Dallas, TX</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>NIKKI R. HALEY</b> Kiawah Island, SC</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DONALD J. TRUMP</b> Palm Beach, FL</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 21ST DELEGATE DISTRICT</b> (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JARRED CANNON</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2</b> (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JEAN ANNE LUIKART</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT</b> (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DERRICK EVANS</b> Prichard, WV Wayne Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CAROL MILLER</b> Huntington, WV Cabell Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2</b> (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHARLES S TRUMP IV</b> Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>COUNTY TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER</b> (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ANDY SKIDMORE</b> Scott Depot</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY</b> (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KRIS RAYNES</b> Eleanor</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR AUDITOR</b> (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CALEB L. HANNA</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MARK HUNT</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>TRICIA JACKSON</b> Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ERIC L. HOUSEHOLDER</b> Martinsburg Berkeley Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2</b> (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p>Write-in, If Any</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR TREASURER</b> (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LARRY PACK</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT</b> (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RICHARD "RICK" WITT</b> Red House Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p>Write-in, If Any</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE</b> (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ROY RAMEY</b> Lesage Cabell Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KENT LEONHARDT</b> Fairview Monongalia Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOSHUA KURT HIGGINBOTHAM</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1</b> (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LINDA J. HUNT</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT</b> (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MICHAEL WOLPERT</b> Hurricane</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL</b> (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOHN "JB" McCUSKEY</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MIKE STUART</b> South Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>VOTE BOTH SIDES</b></p>

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
Class II	45.90
Class III	91.80
Class IV	91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.

STATE TICKET

FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ AMY NICHOLE GRADY Leon Mason, Co.

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 21ST DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ JARRED CANNON Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

○ CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ S. RYAN WHITE Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ ELGINE HECETA McARDLE Wheeling Ohio Co.

○ MYCHAL S. SCHULZ Charleston Kanawha Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ JON D. HOOVER Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ PHILLIP M. STOWERS Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

○ JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

○ RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ LINDA J. HUNT Winfield Putnam Co.

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

○ JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

○ ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.

○ SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.

○ LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

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COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

○ ANDY SKIDMORE Scott Depot

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

○ KRIS RAYNES Eleanor

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

○ ROBERT "BOBBY" EGGLETON Leon

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

○ GARY WARNER Red House

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

○ PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III

○ J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

○ CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

○ JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

○ Write-in, If Any

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OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

○ Write-in, If Any

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VOTE BOTH SIDES

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
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SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

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**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

○ PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III

○ J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

○ CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

○ JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

○ Write-in, If Any

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

○ Write-in, If Any

VOTE BOTH SIDES

NATIONAL TICKET

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

○ DAVID STUCKENBERG Tampa, FL

○ RACHEL HANNA MoHAWK SWIFT Hagerstown, MD

○ RYAN L. BINKLEY Dallas, TX

○ NIKKI R. HALEY Kiawah Island, SC

○ DONALD J. TRUMP Palm Beach, FL

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

○ ZANE LAWHORN Princeton Mercer Co.

○ JIM JUSTICE Lewisburg Greenbrier Co.

○ BRYAN BIRD Beckley Raleigh Co.

○ JANET McNULTY Martinsburg Berkeley Co.

○ ALEXANDER X. MOONEY Charles Town Jefferson Co.

○ BRYAN McKINNEY Inwood Berkeley Co.

○ DON LINDSAY Lost River Hardy Co.

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ DERRICK EVANS Prichard, WV Wayne Co.

○ CAROL MILLER Huntington, WV Cabell Co.

STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

○ MAC WARNER Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ MITCH ROBERTS Poca Putnam Co.

○ MOORE CAPITO Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ PATRICK MORRISEY Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.

○ CHRIS MILLER Huntington Cabell Co.

○ KEVIN "KC" CHRISTIAN Chloe Calhoun Co.

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

○ KRIS WARNER Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ KEN REED Hedgesville Morgan Co.

○ BRIAN WOOD Winfield Putnam Co.

○ DOUG SKAFF JR. South Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

○ CALEB L. HANNA Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ MARK HUNT Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ TRICIA JACKSON Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.

○ ERIC L. HOUSEHOLDER Martinsburg Berkeley Co.

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

○ LARRY PACK Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

○ ROY RAMEY Lesage Cabell Co.

○ KENT LEONHARDT Fairview Monongalia Co.

○ JOSHUA KURT HIGGINBOTHAM Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

○ JOHN "JB" McCUSKEY Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ MIKE STUART South Charleston Kanawha Co.

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
Class II	45.90
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Class IV	91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

**Putnam County, WV**

**Primary Election**

**May 14, 2024**

<p><b>INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER</b> To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATE TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR STATE SENATOR 8TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>GLENN D. JEFFRIES</b> Red House Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NATIONAL TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DAVID STUCKENBERG</b> Tampa, FL</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RACHEL HANNA MoHAWK SWIFT</b> Hagerstown, MD</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RYAN L. BINKLEY</b> Dallas, TX</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>NIKKI R. HALEY</b> Kiawah Island, SC</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DONALD J. TRUMP</b> Palm Beach, FL</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KATHIE HESS CROUSE</b> Buffalo Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DEBBIE DEWEESE</b> Buffalo Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JEAN ANNE LUIKART</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ZANE LAWHORN</b> Princeton Mercer Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JIM JUSTICE</b> Lewisburg Greenbrier Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRYAN BIRD</b> Beckley Raleigh Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JANET McNULTY</b> Martinsburg Berkeley Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ALEXANDER X. MOONEY</b> Charles Town Jefferson Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRYAN McKINNEY</b> Inwood Berkeley Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DON LINDSAY</b> Lost River Hardy Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>HALEY BUNN</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ERIC B. WHITNEY</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>SARAH WEAVER</b> Buffalo Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LARRY WINGO</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DERRICK EVANS</b> Prichard, WV Wayne Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CAROL MILLER</b> Huntington, WV Cabell Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHARLES S TRUMP IV</b> Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>COUNTY TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ANDY SKIDMORE</b> Scott Depot</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATE TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MAC WARNER</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MITCH ROBERTS</b> Poca Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MOORE CAPITO</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PATRICK MORRISEY</b> Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHRIS MILLER</b> Huntington Cabell Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KEVIN "KC" CHRISTIAN</b> Chloe Calhoun Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>S. RYAN WHITE</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ELGINE HECETA McARDLE</b> Wheeling Ohio Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MYCHAL S. SCHULZ</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KRIS RAYNES</b> Eleanor</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KRIS WARNER</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KEN REED</b> Hedgesville Morgan Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRIAN WOOD</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DOUG SKAFF JR.</b> South Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JON D. HOOVER</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PHILLIP M. STOWERS</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ROBERT "BOBBY" EGGLETON</b> Leon</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CALEB L. HANNA</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MARK HUNT</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>TRICIA JACKSON</b> Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ERIC L. HOUSEHOLDER</b> Martinsburg Berkeley Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>GARY WARNER</b> Red House</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LARRY PACK</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RICHARD "RICK" WITT</b> Red House Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ROY RAMEY</b> Lesage Cabell Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KENT LEONHARDT</b> Fairview Monongalia Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOSHUA KURT HIGGINBOTHAM</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LINDA J. HUNT</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PAUL SOWARDS</b> Hurricane District III</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>J. CHRISTIAN WELLS</b> Winfield District I</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHUCK HATFIELD</b> Hurricane District III</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JACOB FERTIG</b> Scott Depot District I</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOHN "JB" McCUSKEY</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MIKE STUART</b> South Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MICHAEL WOLPERT</b> Hurricane</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>VOTE BOTH SIDES</b></p>		

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
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<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

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- For the Levies
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**VOTE BOTH SIDES**



# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

**Putnam County, WV**

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**May 14, 2024**

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NATIONAL TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DAVID STUCKENBERG</b> Tampa, FL</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RACHEL HANNA MoHAWK SWIFT</b> Hagerstown, MD</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RYAN L. BINKLEY</b> Dallas, TX</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>NIKKI R. HALEY</b> Kiawah Island, SC</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DONALD J. TRUMP</b> Palm Beach, FL</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KATHIE HESS CROUSE</b> Buffalo Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DEBBIE DEWEESE</b> Buffalo Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JEAN ANNE LUIKART</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ZANE LAWHORN</b> Princeton Mercer Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JIM JUSTICE</b> Lewisburg Greenbrier Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRYAN BIRD</b> Beckley Raleigh Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JANET McNULTY</b> Martinsburg Berkeley Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ALEXANDER X. MOONEY</b> Charles Town Jefferson Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRYAN McKINNEY</b> Inwood Berkeley Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DON LINDSAY</b> Lost River Hardy Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>HALEY BUNN</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ERIC B. WHITNEY</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>SARAH WEAVER</b> Buffalo Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LARRY WINGO</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DERRICK EVANS</b> Prichard, WV Wayne Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CAROL MILLER</b> Huntington, WV Cabell Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATE TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MAC WARNER</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MITCH ROBERTS</b> Poca Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MOORE CAPITO</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PATRICK MORRISEY</b> Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHRIS MILLER</b> Huntington Cabell Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KEVIN "KC" CHRISTIAN</b> Chloe Calhoun Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>COUNTY TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ANDY SKIDMORE</b> Scott Depot</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KRIS RAYNES</b> Eleanor</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KRIS WARNER</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KEN REED</b> Hedgesville Morgan Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRIAN WOOD</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DOUG SKAFF JR.</b> South Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>S. RYAN WHITE</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ELGINE HECETA McARDLE</b> Wheeling Ohio Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MYCHAL S. SCHULZ</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ROBERT "BOBBY" EGGLETON</b> Leon</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>GARY WARNER</b> Red House</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CALEB L. HANNA</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MARK HUNT</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>TRICIA JACKSON</b> Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ERIC L. HOUSEHOLDER</b> Martinsburg Berkeley Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JON D. HOOVER</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PHILLIP M. STOWERS</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PAUL SOWARDS</b> Hurricane District III</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>J. CHRISTIAN WELLS</b> Winfield District I</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHUCK HATFIELD</b> Hurricane District III</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JACOB FERTIG</b> Scott Depot District I</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LARRY PACK</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MICHAEL WOLPERT</b> Hurricane</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ROY RAMEY</b> Lesage Cabell Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KENT LEONHARDT</b> Fairview Monongalia Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOSHUA KURT HIGGINBOTHAM</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RICHARD "RICK" WITT</b> Red House Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOHN "JB" McCUSKEY</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MIKE STUART</b> South Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>
<p style="text-align: right;"><b>VOTE BOTH SIDES</b></p>		

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
Class II	45.90
Class III	91.80
Class IV	91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.

STATE TICKET

FOR STATE SENATOR 8TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ GLENN D. JEFFRIES Red House Putnam Co.

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ KATHIE HESS CROUSE Buffalo Putnam Co.

○ DEBBIE DEWEESE Buffalo Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ ZANE LAWHORN Princeton Mercer Co.

○ JIM JUSTICE Lewisburg Greenbrier Co.

○ BRYAN BIRD Beckley Raleigh Co.

○ JANET McNULTY Martinsburg Berkeley Co.

○ ALEXANDER X. MOONEY Charles Town Jefferson Co.

○ BRYAN McKINNEY Inwood Berkeley Co.

○ DON LINDSAY Lost River Hardy Co.

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ DERRICK EVANS Prichard, WV Wayne Co.

○ CAROL MILLER Huntington, WV Cabell Co.

STATE TICKET FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

○ MAC WARNER Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ MITCH ROBERTS Poca Putnam Co.

○ MOORE CAPITO Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ PATRICK MORRISEY Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.

○ CHRIS MILLER Huntington Cabell Co.

○ KEVIN "KC" CHRISTIAN Chloe Calhoun Co.

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

○ KRIS WARNER Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ KEN REED Hedgesville Morgan Co.

○ BRIAN WOOD Winfield Putnam Co.

○ DOUG SKAFF JR. South Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

○ CALEB L. HANNA Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ MARK HUNT Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ TRICIA JACKSON Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.

○ ERIC L. HOUSEHOLDER Martinsburg Berkeley Co.

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

○ LARRY PACK Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

○ ROY RAMEY Lesage Cabell Co.

○ KENT LEONHARDT Fairview Monongalia Co.

○ JOSHUA KURT HIGGINBOTHAM Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

○ JOHN "JB" McCUSKEY Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ MIKE STUART South Charleston Kanawha Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

○ JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

○ ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.

○ SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.

○ LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

○ ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.

○ SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.

○ LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

COUNTY TICKET FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

○ ANDY SKIDMORE Scott Depot

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

○ KRIS RAYNES Eleanor

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

○ ROBERT "BOBBY" EGGLETON Leon

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

○ GARY WARNER Red House

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

○ PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III

○ J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

○ CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

○ JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

○ RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

○ Write-in, If Any

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VOTE BOTH SIDES

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

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- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

**Putnam County, WV**

**Primary Election**

**May 14, 2024**

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
Class II	45.90
Class III	91.80
Class IV	91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
Class II	45.90
Class III	91.80
Class IV	91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

**Putnam County, WV**

**Primary Election**

**May 14, 2024**

<p><b>INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER</b> To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATE TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR STATE SENATOR 8TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>GLENN D. JEFFRIES</b> Red House Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NATIONAL TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DAVID STUCKENBERG</b> Tampa, FL</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RACHEL HANNA MoHAWK SWIFT</b> Hagerstown, MD</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RYAN L. BINKLEY</b> Dallas, TX</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>NIKKI R. HALEY</b> Kiawah Island, SC</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DONALD J. TRUMP</b> Palm Beach, FL</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KATHIE HESS CROUSE</b> Buffalo Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DEBBIE DEWEESE</b> Buffalo Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JEAN ANNE LUIKART</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ZANE LAWHORN</b> Princeton Mercer Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JIM JUSTICE</b> Lewisburg Greenbrier Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRYAN BIRD</b> Beckley Raleigh Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JANET McNULTY</b> Martinsburg Berkeley Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ALEXANDER X. MOONEY</b> Charles Town Jefferson Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRYAN McKINNEY</b> Inwood Berkeley Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DON LINDSAY</b> Lost River Hardy Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>HALEY BUNN</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ERIC B. WHITNEY</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>SARAH WEAVER</b> Buffalo Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LARRY WINGO</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DERRICK EVANS</b> Prichard, WV Wayne Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CAROL MILLER</b> Huntington, WV Cabell Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHARLES S TRUMP IV</b> Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>COUNTY TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ANDY SKIDMORE</b> Scott Depot</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATE TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MAC WARNER</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MITCH ROBERTS</b> Poca Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MOORE CAPITO</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PATRICK MORRISEY</b> Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHRIS MILLER</b> Huntington Cabell Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KEVIN "KC" CHRISTIAN</b> Chloe Calhoun Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>S. RYAN WHITE</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ELGINE HECETA McARDLE</b> Wheeling Ohio Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MYCHAL S. SCHULZ</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KRIS RAYNES</b> Eleanor</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KRIS WARNER</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KEN REED</b> Hedgesville Morgan Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRIAN WOOD</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DOUG SKAFF JR.</b> South Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JON D. HOOVER</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PHILLIP M. STOWERS</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ROBERT "BOBBY" EGGLETON</b> Leon</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CALEB L. HANNA</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MARK HUNT</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>TRICIA JACKSON</b> Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ERIC L. HOUSEHOLDER</b> Martinsburg Berkeley Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>GARY WARNER</b> Red House</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MICHAEL WOLPERT</b> Hurricane</p>		
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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
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In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

**Putnam County, WV**

**Primary Election**

**May 14, 2024**

<p><b>INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER</b> To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATE TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR STATE SENATOR 8TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>GLENN D. JEFFRIES</b> Red House Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NATIONAL TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DAVID STUCKENBERG</b> Tampa, FL</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RACHEL HANNA MoHAWK SWIFT</b> Hagerstown, MD</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RYAN L. BINKLEY</b> Dallas, TX</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>NIKKI R. HALEY</b> Kiawah Island, SC</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DONALD J. TRUMP</b> Palm Beach, FL</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KATHIE HESS CROUSE</b> Buffalo Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DEBBIE DEWEESE</b> Buffalo Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JEAN ANNE LUIKART</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ZANE LAWHORN</b> Princeton Mercer Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JIM JUSTICE</b> Lewisburg Greenbrier Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRYAN BIRD</b> Beckley Raleigh Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JANET McNULTY</b> Martinsburg Berkeley Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ALEXANDER X. MOONEY</b> Charles Town Jefferson Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRYAN McKINNEY</b> Inwood Berkeley Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DON LINDSAY</b> Lost River Hardy Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>HALEY BUNN</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ERIC B. WHITNEY</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>SARAH WEAVER</b> Buffalo Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LARRY WINGO</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DERRICK EVANS</b> Prichard, WV Wayne Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CAROL MILLER</b> Huntington, WV Cabell Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHARLES S TRUMP IV</b> Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>COUNTY TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ANDY SKIDMORE</b> Scott Depot</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATE TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MAC WARNER</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MITCH ROBERTS</b> Poca Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MOORE CAPITO</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PATRICK MORRISEY</b> Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHRIS MILLER</b> Huntington Cabell Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KEVIN "KC" CHRISTIAN</b> Chloe Calhoun Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>S. RYAN WHITE</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ELGINE HECETA McARDLE</b> Wheeling Ohio Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MYCHAL S. SCHULZ</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KRIS RAYNES</b> Eleanor</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KRIS WARNER</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KEN REED</b> Hedgesville Morgan Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRIAN WOOD</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DOUG SKAFF JR.</b> South Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JON D. HOOVER</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PHILLIP M. STOWERS</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ROBERT "BOBBY" EGGLETON</b> Leon</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CALEB L. HANNA</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MARK HUNT</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>TRICIA JACKSON</b> Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ERIC L. HOUSEHOLDER</b> Martinsburg Berkeley Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>GARY WARNER</b> Red House</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LARRY PACK</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RICHARD "RICK" WITT</b> Red House Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ROY RAMEY</b> Lesage Cabell Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KENT LEONHARDT</b> Fairview Monongalia Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOSHUA KURT HIGGINBOTHAM</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LINDA J. HUNT</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PAUL SOWARDS</b> Hurricane District III</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>J. CHRISTIAN WELLS</b> Winfield District I</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHUCK HATFIELD</b> Hurricane District III</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JACOB FERTIG</b> Scott Depot District I</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOHN "JB" McCUSKEY</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MIKE STUART</b> South Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p>Write-in, If Any</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>VOTE BOTH SIDES</b></p>		

OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT

COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

FOR THE EXCESS LEVY

AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED

AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
Class II	45.90
Class III	91.80
Class IV	91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

For the Levies

Against the Levies

CITY OF NITRO MUNICIPAL  
OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT

Special election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2024, July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, and July 1, 2028 for the following purposes:

A. Street Maintenance and Repair	\$34,959.50
B. Parks and Recreation	\$25,946.94
C. Firemen's Wages	\$70,027.87
D. Street Lighting	\$41,610.89
E. Policeman's Wages	\$136,370.01
F. Library	\$46,917.64
G. Fire Hydrant Rental	\$12,735.25

According to the Order of the City Council entered February 6, 2024.

The additional Levy shall be on Class I property 3.65 cents, Class II property 7.30 cents, Class IV property 14.60 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation.

For the Levy

Against the Levy

VOTE BOTH SIDES



# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

**Putnam County, WV**

**Primary Election**

**May 14, 2024**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER**

To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.

**STATE TICKET**

**FOR STATE SENATOR  
8TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)**

**GLENN D. JEFFRIES**  
Red House Putnam Co.

**FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES  
19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)**

**KATHIE HESS CROUSE**  
Buffalo Putnam Co.

**DEBBIE DEWEESE**  
Buffalo Putnam Co.

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUDICIAL OFFICERS**

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF  
APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1  
(Vote for ONE)**

**HALEY BUNN**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF  
APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2  
(Vote for ONE)**

**CHARLES S TRUMP IV**  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE  
COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1  
(Vote for ONE)**

**S. RYAN WHITE**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**ELGINE HECETA McARDLE**  
Wheeling Ohio Co.

**MYCHAL S. SCHULZ**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE  
7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1  
(Vote for ONE)**

**JON D. HOOVER**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

**PHILLIP M. STOWERS**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE  
7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2  
(Vote for ONE)**

**JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
FAMILY COURT JUDGE  
26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT  
(Vote for ONE)**

**RICHARD "RICK" WITT**  
Red House Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1  
(Vote for ONE)**

**LINDA J. HUNT**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

**NATIONAL TICKET**

**FOR PRESIDENT  
(Vote for ONE)**

**DAVID STUCKENBERG**  
Tampa, FL

**RACHEL HANNA MoHAWK SWIFT**  
Hagerstown, MD

**RYAN L. BINKLEY**  
Dallas, TX

**NIKKI R. HALEY**  
Kiawah Island, SC

**DONALD J. TRUMP**  
Palm Beach, FL

**FOR U.S. SENATOR  
(Vote for ONE)**

**ZANE LAWHORN**  
Princeton Mercer Co.

**JIM JUSTICE**  
Lewisburg Greenbrier Co.

**BRYAN BIRD**  
Beckley Raleigh Co.

**JANET McNULTY**  
Martinsburg Berkeley Co.

**ALEXANDER X. MOONEY**  
Charles Town Jefferson Co.

**BRYAN McKINNEY**  
Inwood Berkeley Co.

**DON LINDSAY**  
Lost River Hardy Co.

**FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)**

**DERRICK EVANS**  
Prichard, WV Wayne Co.

**CAROL MILLER**  
Huntington, WV Cabell Co.

**STATE TICKET**

**FOR GOVERNOR  
(Vote for ONE)**

**MAC WARNER**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**MITCH ROBERTS**  
Poca Putnam Co.

**MOORE CAPITO**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**PATRICK MORRISEY**  
Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.

**CHRIS MILLER**  
Huntington Cabell Co.

**KEVIN "KC" CHRISTIAN**  
Chloe Calhoun Co.

**FOR SECRETARY OF STATE  
(Vote for ONE)**

**KRIS WARNER**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**KEN REED**  
Hedgesville Morgan Co.

**BRIAN WOOD**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

**DOUG SKAFF JR.**  
South Charleston Kanawha Co.

**FOR AUDITOR  
(Vote for ONE)**

**CALEB L. HANNA**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**MARK HUNT**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**TRICIA JACKSON**  
Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.

**ERIC L. HOUSEHOLDER**  
Martinsburg Berkeley Co.

**FOR TREASURER  
(Vote for ONE)**

**LARRY PACK**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE  
(Vote for ONE)**

**ROY RAMEY**  
Lesage Cabell Co.

**KENT LEONHARDT**  
Fairview Monongalia Co.

**JOSHUA KURT HIGGINBOTHAM**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL  
(Vote for ONE)**

**JOHN "JB" McCUSKEY**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**MIKE STUART**  
South Charleston Kanawha Co.

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUDICIAL OFFICERS**

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2  
(Vote for ONE)**

**JEAN ANNE LUIKART**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3  
(Vote for ONE)**

**ERIC B. WHITNEY**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

**SARAH WEAVER**  
Buffalo Putnam Co.

**LARRY WINGO**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

**COUNTY TICKET**

**FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
(Vote for ONE)**

**ANDY SKIDMORE**  
Scott Depot

**FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY  
(Vote for ONE)**

**KRIS RAYNES**  
Eleanor

**FOR SHERIFF  
(Vote for ONE)**

**ROBERT "BOBBY" EGGLETON**  
Leon

**FOR ASSESSOR  
(Vote for ONE)**

**GARY WARNER**  
Red House

**FOR SURVEYOR  
(Vote for ONE)**

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

**OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF  
ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM  
COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION  
(Vote For Not More Than TWO)  
Maximum eligible to be elected from each  
district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)**

**PAUL SOWARDS**  
Hurricane District III

**J. CHRISTIAN WELLS**  
Winfield District I

**CHUCK HATFIELD**  
Hurricane District III

**JACOB FERTIG**  
Scott Depot District I

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

**OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT**

**FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR  
WESTERN DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)**

**MICHAEL WOLPERT**  
Hurricane

Write-in, If Any

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

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- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
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<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
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Class IV	91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

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STATE TICKET

FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ AMY NICHOLE GRADY Leon Mason, Co.

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 21ST DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ JARRED CANNON Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

○ CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ S. RYAN WHITE Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ ELGINE HECETA McARDLE Wheeling Ohio Co.

○ MYCHAL S. SCHULZ Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ JON D. HOOVER Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ PHILLIP M. STOWERS Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

○ JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

○ RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

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○ JOHN "JB" McCUSKEY Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ MIKE STUART South Charleston Kanawha Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

○ JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

○ ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.

○ SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.

○ LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

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COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

○ ANDY SKIDMORE Scott Depot

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

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FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

○ PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III

○ J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

○ CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

○ JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

○ Write-in, If Any

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OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

○ Write-in, If Any

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VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

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ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

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- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

**Putnam County, WV**

**Primary Election**

**May 14, 2024**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER**

To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.

**STATE TICKET**

**FOR STATE SENATOR  
4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**AMY NICHOLE GRADY**  
Leon Mason Co.

**FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES  
20TH DELEGATE DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JACOB LOSH**  
Scott Depot Putnam Co.

**SARAH DRENNAN**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUDICIAL OFFICERS**

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF  
APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**HALEY BUNN**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF  
APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2**  
(Vote for ONE)

**CHARLES S TRUMP IV**  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE  
COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**S. RYAN WHITE**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**ELGINE HECETA McARDLE**  
Wheeling Ohio Co.

**MYCHAL S. SCHULZ**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE  
7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JON D. HOOVER**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

**PHILLIP M. STOWERS**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE  
7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
FAMILY COURT JUDGE  
26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**RICHARD "RICK" WITT**  
Red House Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**LINDA J. HUNT**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUDICIAL OFFICERS**

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JEAN ANNE LUIKART**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3**  
(Vote for ONE)

**ERIC B. WHITNEY**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

**SARAH WEAVER**  
Buffalo Putnam Co.

**LARRY WINGO**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

**COUNTY TICKET**

**FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER**  
(Vote for ONE)

**ANDY SKIDMORE**  
Scott Depot

**FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY**  
(Vote for ONE)

**KRIS RAYNES**  
Eleanor

**FOR SHERIFF**  
(Vote for ONE)

**ROBERT "BOBBY" EGGLETON**  
Leon

**FOR ASSESSOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

**GARY WARNER**  
Red House

**FOR SURVEYOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

**OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF  
ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM  
COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
(Vote For Not More Than TWO)  
Maximum eligible to be elected from each  
district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

**PAUL SOWARDS**  
Hurricane District III

**J. CHRISTIAN WELLS**  
Winfield District I

**CHUCK HATFIELD**  
Hurricane District III

**JACOB FERTIG**  
Scott Depot District I

Write-in, If Any

**OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT**

**FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR  
WESTERN DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**MICHAEL WOLPERT**  
Hurricane

Write-in, If Any

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

**NATIONAL TICKET**

**FOR PRESIDENT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**DAVID STUCKENBERG**  
Tampa, FL

**RACHEL HANNA MoHAWK SWIFT**  
Hagerstown, MD

**RYAN L. BINKLEY**  
Dallas, TX

**NIKKI R. HALEY**  
Kiawah Island, SC

**DONALD J. TRUMP**  
Palm Beach, FL

**FOR U.S. SENATOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

**ZANE LAWHORN**  
Princeton Mercer Co.

**JIM JUSTICE**  
Lewisburg Greenbrier Co.

**BRYAN BIRD**  
Beckley Raleigh Co.

**JANET McNULTY**  
Martinsburg Berkeley Co.

**ALEXANDER X. MOONEY**  
Charles Town Jefferson Co.

**BRYAN McKINNEY**  
Inwood Berkeley Co.

**DON LINDSAY**  
Lost River Hardy Co.

**FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**DERRICK EVANS**  
Prichard, WV Wayne Co.

**CAROL MILLER**  
Huntington, WV Cabell Co.

**STATE TICKET**

**FOR GOVERNOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

**MAC WARNER**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**MITCH ROBERTS**  
Poca Putnam Co.

**MOORE CAPITO**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**PATRICK MORRISEY**  
Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.

**CHRIS MILLER**  
Huntington Cabell Co.

**KEVIN "KC" CHRISTIAN**  
Chloe Calhoun Co.

**FOR SECRETARY OF STATE**  
(Vote for ONE)

**KRIS WARNER**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**KEN REED**  
Hedgesville Morgan Co.

**BRIAN WOOD**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

**DOUG SKAFF JR.**  
South Charleston Kanawha Co.

**FOR AUDITOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

**CALEB L. HANNA**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**MARK HUNT**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**TRICIA JACKSON**  
Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.

**ERIC L. HOUSEHOLDER**  
Martinsburg Berkeley Co.

**FOR TREASURER**  
(Vote for ONE)

**LARRY PACK**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE**  
(Vote for ONE)

**ROY RAMEY**  
Lesage Cabell Co.

**KENT LEONHARDT**  
Fairview Monongalia Co.

**JOSHUA KURT HIGGINBOTHAM**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JOHN "JB" McCUSKEY**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**MIKE STUART**  
South Charleston Kanawha Co.

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

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In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**



# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

**Putnam County, WV**

**Primary Election**

**May 14, 2024**

<p><b>INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER</b> To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATE TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>AMY NICHOLE GRADY</b> Leon Mason Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NATIONAL TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DAVID STUCKENBERG</b> Tampa, FL</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RACHEL HANNA MoHAWK SWIFT</b> Hagerstown, MD</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RYAN L. BINKLEY</b> Dallas, TX</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>NIKKI R. HALEY</b> Kiawah Island, SC</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DONALD J. TRUMP</b> Palm Beach, FL</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 20TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JACOB LOSH</b> Scott Depot Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>SARAH DRENNAN</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JEAN ANNE LUIKART</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ZANE LAWHORN</b> Princeton Mercer Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JIM JUSTICE</b> Lewisburg Greenbrier Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRYAN BIRD</b> Beckley Raleigh Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JANET McNULTY</b> Martinsburg Berkeley Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ALEXANDER X. MOONEY</b> Charles Town Jefferson Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRYAN McKINNEY</b> Inwood Berkeley Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DON LINDSAY</b> Lost River Hardy Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>HALEY BUNN</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ERIC B. WHITNEY</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>SARAH WEAVER</b> Buffalo Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LARRY WINGO</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DERRICK EVANS</b> Prichard, WV Wayne Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CAROL MILLER</b> Huntington, WV Cabell Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHARLES S TRUMP IV</b> Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>COUNTY TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ANDY SKIDMORE</b> Scott Depot</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATE TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MAC WARNER</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MITCH ROBERTS</b> Poca Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MOORE CAPITO</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PATRICK MORRISEY</b> Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHRIS MILLER</b> Huntington Cabell Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KEVIN "KC" CHRISTIAN</b> Chloe Calhoun Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>S. RYAN WHITE</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ELGINE HECETA McARDLE</b> Wheeling Ohio Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MYCHAL S. SCHULZ</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KRIS RAYNES</b> Eleanor</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KRIS WARNER</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KEN REED</b> Hedgesville Morgan Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRIAN WOOD</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DOUG SKAFF JR.</b> South Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JON D. HOOVER</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PHILLIP M. STOWERS</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ROBERT "BOBBY" EGGLETON</b> Leon</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CALEB L. HANNA</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MARK HUNT</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>TRICIA JACKSON</b> Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ERIC L. HOUSEHOLDER</b> Martinsburg Berkeley Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>GARY WARNER</b> Red House</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LARRY PACK</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RICHARD "RICK" WITT</b> Red House Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ROY RAMEY</b> Lesage Cabell Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KENT LEONHARDT</b> Fairview Monongalia Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOSHUA KURT HIGGINBOTHAM</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LINDA J. HUNT</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PAUL SOWARDS</b> Hurricane District III</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>J. CHRISTIAN WELLS</b> Winfield District I</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHUCK HATFIELD</b> Hurricane District III</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JACOB FERTIG</b> Scott Depot District I</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOHN "JB" McCUSKEY</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MIKE STUART</b> South Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MICHAEL WOLPERT</b> Hurricane</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>VOTE BOTH SIDES</b></p>		

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

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The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

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STATE TICKET

FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ AMY NICHOLE GRADY Leon Mason Co.

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 20TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ JACOB LOSH Scott Depot Putnam Co.

○ SARAH DRENNAN Winfield Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

○ CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ S. RYAN WHITE Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ ELGINE HECETA McARDLE Wheeling Ohio Co.

○ MYCHAL S. SCHULZ Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ JON D. HOOVER Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ PHILLIP M. STOWERS Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

○ JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

○ RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ LINDA J. HUNT Winfield Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

○ JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

○ ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.

○ SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.

○ LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

○ Write-in, If Any

COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

○ ANDY SKIDMORE Scott Depot

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

○ KRIS RAYNES Eleanor

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

○ ROBERT "BOBBY" EGGLETON Leon

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

○ GARY WARNER Red House

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

○ PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III

○ J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

○ CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

○ JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

○ Write-in, If Any

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OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

○ Write-in, If Any

VOTE BOTH SIDES

NATIONAL TICKET

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

○ DAVID STUCKENBERG Tampa, FL

○ RACHEL HANNA MoHAWK SWIFT Hagerstown, MD

○ RYAN L. BINKLEY Dallas, TX

○ NIKKI R. HALEY Kiawah Island, SC

○ DONALD J. TRUMP Palm Beach, FL

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

○ ZANE LAWHORN Princeton Mercer Co.

○ JIM JUSTICE Lewisburg Greenbrier Co.

○ BRYAN BIRD Beckley Raleigh Co.

○ JANET McNULTY Martinsburg Berkeley Co.

○ ALEXANDER X. MOONEY Charles Town Jefferson Co.

○ BRYAN McKINNEY Inwood Berkeley Co.

○ DON LINDSAY Lost River Hardy Co.

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ DERRICK EVANS Prichard, WV Wayne Co.

○ CAROL MILLER Huntington, WV Cabell Co.

STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

○ MAC WARNER Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ MITCH ROBERTS Poca Putnam Co.

○ MOORE CAPITO Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ PATRICK MORRISEY Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.

○ CHRIS MILLER Huntington Cabell Co.

○ KEVIN "KC" CHRISTIAN Chloe Calhoun Co.

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

○ KRIS WARNER Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ KEN REED Hedgesville Morgan Co.

○ BRIAN WOOD Winfield Putnam Co.

○ DOUG SKAFF JR. South Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

○ CALEB L. HANNA Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ MARK HUNT Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ TRICIA JACKSON Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.

○ ERIC L. HOUSEHOLDER Martinsburg Berkeley Co.

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

○ LARRY PACK Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

○ ROY RAMEY Lesage Cabell Co.

○ KENT LEONHARDT Fairview Monongalia Co.

○ JOSHUA KURT HIGGINBOTHAM Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

○ JOHN "JB" McCUSKEY Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ MIKE STUART South Charleston Kanawha Co.

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
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- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

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Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
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In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

**Putnam County, WV**

**Primary Election**

**May 14, 2024**

<p><b>INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER</b> To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATE TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>AMY NICHOLE GRADY</b> Leon Mason Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NATIONAL TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DAVID STUCKENBERG</b> Tampa, FL</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RACHEL HANNA MoHAWK SWIFT</b> Hagerstown, MD</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RYAN L. BINKLEY</b> Dallas, TX</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>NIKKI R. HALEY</b> Kiawah Island, SC</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DONALD J. TRUMP</b> Palm Beach, FL</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 20TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JACOB LOSH</b> Scott Depot Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>SARAH DRENNAN</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JEAN ANNE LUIKART</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ZANE LAWHORN</b> Princeton Mercer Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JIM JUSTICE</b> Lewisburg Greenbrier Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRYAN BIRD</b> Beckley Raleigh Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JANET McNULTY</b> Martinsburg Berkeley Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ALEXANDER X. MOONEY</b> Charles Town Jefferson Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRYAN McKINNEY</b> Inwood Berkeley Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DON LINDSAY</b> Lost River Hardy Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>HALEY BUNN</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ERIC B. WHITNEY</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>SARAH WEAVER</b> Buffalo Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LARRY WINGO</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DERRICK EVANS</b> Prichard, WV Wayne Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CAROL MILLER</b> Huntington, WV Cabell Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHARLES S TRUMP IV</b> Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>COUNTY TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ANDY SKIDMORE</b> Scott Depot</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATE TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MAC WARNER</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MITCH ROBERTS</b> Poca Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MOORE CAPITO</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PATRICK MORRISEY</b> Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHRIS MILLER</b> Huntington Cabell Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KEVIN "KC" CHRISTIAN</b> Chloe Calhoun Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>S. RYAN WHITE</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ELGINE HECETA McARDLE</b> Wheeling Ohio Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MYCHAL S. SCHULZ</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KRIS RAYNES</b> Eleanor</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KRIS WARNER</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KEN REED</b> Hedgesville Morgan Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRIAN WOOD</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DOUG SKAFF JR.</b> South Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JON D. HOOVER</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PHILLIP M. STOWERS</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ROBERT "BOBBY" EGGLETON</b> Leon</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CALEB L. HANNA</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MARK HUNT</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>TRICIA JACKSON</b> Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ERIC L. HOUSEHOLDER</b> Martinsburg Berkeley Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>GARY WARNER</b> Red House</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LARRY PACK</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RICHARD "RICK" WITT</b> Red House Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ROY RAMEY</b> Lesage Cabell Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KENT LEONHARDT</b> Fairview Monongalia Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOSHUA KURT HIGGINBOTHAM</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LINDA J. HUNT</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PAUL SOWARDS</b> Hurricane District III</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>J. CHRISTIAN WELLS</b> Winfield District I</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHUCK HATFIELD</b> Hurricane District III</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JACOB FERTIG</b> Scott Depot District I</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOHN "JB" McCUSKEY</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MIKE STUART</b> South Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p>Write-in, If Any</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MICHAEL WOLPERT</b> Hurricane</p>		
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# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

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**STATE TICKET**

**FOR STATE SENATOR  
4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**AMY NICHOLE GRADY**  
Leon Mason Co.

**FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES  
20TH DELEGATE DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JACOB LOSH**  
Scott Depot Putnam Co.

**SARAH DRENNAN**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUDICIAL OFFICERS**

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF  
APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**HALEY BUNN**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF  
APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2**  
(Vote for ONE)

**CHARLES S TRUMP IV**  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE  
COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**S. RYAN WHITE**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**ELGINE HECETA McARDLE**  
Wheeling Ohio Co.

**MYCHAL S. SCHULZ**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE  
7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JON D. HOOVER**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

**PHILLIP M. STOWERS**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE  
7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
FAMILY COURT JUDGE  
26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**RICHARD "RICK" WITT**  
Red House Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**LINDA J. HUNT**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUDICIAL OFFICERS**

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JEAN ANNE LUIKART**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3**  
(Vote for ONE)

**ERIC B. WHITNEY**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

**SARAH WEAVER**  
Buffalo Putnam Co.

**LARRY WINGO**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

**COUNTY TICKET**

**FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER**  
(Vote for ONE)

**ANDY SKIDMORE**  
Scott Depot

**FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY**  
(Vote for ONE)

**KRIS RAYNES**  
Eleanor

**FOR SHERIFF**  
(Vote for ONE)

**ROBERT "BOBBY" EGGLETON**  
Leon

**FOR ASSESSOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

**GARY WARNER**  
Red House

**FOR SURVEYOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

**OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF  
ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM  
COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

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Hurricane District III

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Hurricane District III

**JACOB FERTIG**  
Scott Depot District I

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

**OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT**

**FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR  
WESTERN DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**MICHAEL WOLPERT**  
Hurricane

Write-in, If Any

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
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Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

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**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
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<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
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The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

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For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

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**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

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STATE TICKET

FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ AMY NICHOLE GRADY Leon Mason Co.

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

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○ DEBBIE DEWEESE Buffalo Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

○ CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ S. RYAN WHITE Charleston Kanawha Co.

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ JON D. HOOVER Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ PHILLIP M. STOWERS Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

○ JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

○ RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ LINDA J. HUNT Winfield Putnam Co.

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

○ JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

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○ ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.

○ SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.

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○ Write-in, If Any

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OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

○ Write-in, If Any

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VOTE BOTH SIDES

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# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

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**FOR STATE SENATOR  
4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

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Leon Mason Co.

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20TH DELEGATE DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JACOB LOSH**  
Scott Depot Putnam Co.

**SARAH DRENNAN**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUDICIAL OFFICERS**

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF  
APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**HALEY BUNN**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF  
APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2**  
(Vote for ONE)

**CHARLES S TRUMP IV**  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE  
COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**S. RYAN WHITE**  
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Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE  
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(Vote for ONE)

**JON D. HOOVER**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

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Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE  
7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
FAMILY COURT JUDGE  
26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**RICHARD "RICK" WITT**  
Red House Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1**  
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**LINDA J. HUNT**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

## NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

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(Vote for ONE)

**JEAN ANNE LUIKART**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

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## COUNTY TICKET

### FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER

  
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Eleanor

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## OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

### FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT

  
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Hurricane

Write-in, If Any

## VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

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○ Write-in, If Any

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OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

○ Write-in, If Any

VOTE BOTH SIDES

NATIONAL TICKET

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

○ DAVID STUCKENBERG Tampa, FL

○ RACHEL HANNA MoHAWK SWIFT Hagerstown, MD

○ RYAN L. BINKLEY Dallas, TX

○ NIKKI R. HALEY Kiawah Island, SC

○ DONALD J. TRUMP Palm Beach, FL

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

○ ZANE LAWHORN Princeton Mercer Co.

○ JIM JUSTICE Lewisburg Greenbrier Co.

○ BRYAN BIRD Beckley Raleigh Co.

○ JANET McNULTY Martinsburg Berkeley Co.

○ ALEXANDER X. MOONEY Charles Town Jefferson Co.

○ BRYAN McKINNEY Inwood Berkeley Co.

○ DON LINDSAY Lost River Hardy Co.

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ DERRICK EVANS Prichard, WV Wayne Co.

○ CAROL MILLER Huntington, WV Cabell Co.

STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

○ MAC WARNER Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ MITCH ROBERTS Poca Putnam Co.

○ MOORE CAPITO Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ PATRICK MORRISEY Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.

○ CHRIS MILLER Huntington Cabell Co.

○ KEVIN "KC" CHRISTIAN Chloe Calhoun Co.

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

○ KRIS WARNER Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ KEN REED Hedgesville Morgan Co.

○ BRIAN WOOD Winfield Putnam Co.

○ DOUG SKAFF JR. South Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

○ CALEB L. HANNA Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ MARK HUNT Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ TRICIA JACKSON Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.

○ ERIC L. HOUSEHOLDER Martinsburg Berkeley Co.

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

○ LARRY PACK Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

○ ROY RAMEY Lesage Cabell Co.

○ KENT LEONHARDT Fairview Monongalia Co.

○ JOSHUA KURT HIGGINBOTHAM Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

○ JOHN "JB" McCUSKEY Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ MIKE STUART South Charleston Kanawha Co.

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

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ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
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<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

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Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

**Putnam County, WV**

**Primary Election**

**May 14, 2024**

<p><b>INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER</b> To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATE TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>AMY NICHOLE GRADY</b> Leon Mason Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NATIONAL TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DAVID STUCKENBERG</b> Tampa, FL</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RACHEL HANNA MoHAWK SWIFT</b> Hagerstown, MD</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RYAN L. BINKLEY</b> Dallas, TX</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>NIKKI R. HALEY</b> Kiawah Island, SC</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DONALD J. TRUMP</b> Palm Beach, FL</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 21ST DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JARRED CANNON</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JEAN ANNE LUIKART</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ZANE LAWHORN</b> Princeton Mercer Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JIM JUSTICE</b> Lewisburg Greenbrier Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRYAN BIRD</b> Beckley Raleigh Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JANET McNULTY</b> Martinsburg Berkeley Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ALEXANDER X. MOONEY</b> Charles Town Jefferson Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRYAN McKINNEY</b> Inwood Berkeley Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DON LINDSAY</b> Lost River Hardy Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>HALEY BUNN</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ERIC B. WHITNEY</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>SARAH WEAVER</b> Buffalo Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LARRY WINGO</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DERRICK EVANS</b> Prichard, WV Wayne Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CAROL MILLER</b> Huntington, WV Cabell Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHARLES S TRUMP IV</b> Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>COUNTY TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ANDY SKIDMORE</b> Scott Depot</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KRIS WARNER</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KEN REED</b> Hedgesville Morgan Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRIAN WOOD</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DOUG SKAFF JR.</b> South Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JON D. HOOVER</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PHILLIP M. STOWERS</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ROBERT "BOBBY" EGGLETON</b> Leon</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CALEB L. HANNA</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MARK HUNT</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>TRICIA JACKSON</b> Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ERIC L. HOUSEHOLDER</b> Martinsburg Berkeley Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>GARY WARNER</b> Red House</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LARRY PACK</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RICHARD "RICK" WITT</b> Red House Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ROY RAMEY</b> Lesage Cabell Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KENT LEONHARDT</b> Fairview Monongalia Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOSHUA KURT HIGGINBOTHAM</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LINDA J. HUNT</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PAUL SOWARDS</b> Hurricane District III</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>J. CHRISTIAN WELLS</b> Winfield District I</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHUCK HATFIELD</b> Hurricane District III</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JACOB FERTIG</b> Scott Depot District I</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOHN "JB" McCUSKEY</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MIKE STUART</b> South Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MICHAEL WOLPERT</b> Hurricane</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT</b></p>
<p style="text-align: right;"><b>VOTE BOTH SIDES</b></p>		

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
Class II	45.90
Class III	91.80
Class IV	91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

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- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**



# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

**Putnam County, WV**

**Primary Election**

**May 14, 2024**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER**

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**STATE TICKET**

**FOR STATE SENATOR  
4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**AMY NICHOLE GRADY**  
Leon Mason Co.

**FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES  
21ST DELEGATE DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JARRED CANNON**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUDICIAL OFFICERS**

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF  
APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**HALEY BUNN**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

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**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF  
APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2**  
(Vote for ONE)

**CHARLES S TRUMP IV**  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

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Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE  
COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**S. RYAN WHITE**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**ELGINE HECETA McARDLE**  
Wheeling Ohio Co.

**MYCHAL S. SCHULZ**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

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Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE  
7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JON D. HOOVER**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

**PHILLIP M. STOWERS**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

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**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE  
7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

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Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
FAMILY COURT JUDGE  
26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**RICHARD "RICK" WITT**  
Red House Putnam Co.

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**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**LINDA J. HUNT**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

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**JOHN "JB" McCUSKEY**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**MIKE STUART**  
South Charleston Kanawha Co.

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUDICIAL OFFICERS**

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JEAN ANNE LUIKART**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

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**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3**  
(Vote for ONE)

**ERIC B. WHITNEY**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

**SARAH WEAVER**  
Buffalo Putnam Co.

**LARRY WINGO**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

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**COUNTY TICKET**

**FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER**  
(Vote for ONE)

**ANDY SKIDMORE**  
Scott Depot

**FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY**  
(Vote for ONE)

**KRIS RAYNES**  
Eleanor

**FOR SHERIFF**  
(Vote for ONE)

**ROBERT "BOBBY" EGGLETON**  
Leon

**FOR ASSESSOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

**GARY WARNER**  
Red House

**FOR SURVEYOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

**OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF  
ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM  
COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
(Vote For Not More Than TWO)  
Maximum eligible to be elected from each  
district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

**PAUL SOWARDS**  
Hurricane District III

**J. CHRISTIAN WELLS**  
Winfield District I

**CHUCK HATFIELD**  
Hurricane District III

**JACOB FERTIG**  
Scott Depot District I

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**OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT**

**FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR  
WESTERN DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**MICHAEL WOLPERT**  
Hurricane

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**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

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The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

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In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

**Putnam County, WV**

**Primary Election**

**May 14, 2024**

<p><b>INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER</b> To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATE TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>AMY NICHOLE GRADY</b> Leon Mason Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NATIONAL TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DAVID STUCKENBERG</b> Tampa, FL</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RACHEL HANNA MoHAWK SWIFT</b> Hagerstown, MD</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RYAN L. BINKLEY</b> Dallas, TX</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>NIKKI R. HALEY</b> Kiawah Island, SC</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DONALD J. TRUMP</b> Palm Beach, FL</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 21ST DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JARRED CANNON</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JEAN ANNE LUIKART</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ZANE LAWHORN</b> Princeton Mercer Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JIM JUSTICE</b> Lewisburg Greenbrier Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRYAN BIRD</b> Beckley Raleigh Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JANET McNULTY</b> Martinsburg Berkeley Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ALEXANDER X. MOONEY</b> Charles Town Jefferson Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRYAN McKINNEY</b> Inwood Berkeley Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DON LINDSAY</b> Lost River Hardy Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>HALEY BUNN</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ERIC B. WHITNEY</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>SARAH WEAVER</b> Buffalo Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LARRY WINGO</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DERRICK EVANS</b> Prichard, WV Wayne Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CAROL MILLER</b> Huntington, WV Cabell Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHARLES S TRUMP IV</b> Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>COUNTY TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ANDY SKIDMORE</b> Scott Depot</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATE TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MAC WARNER</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MITCH ROBERTS</b> Poca Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MOORE CAPITO</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PATRICK MORRISEY</b> Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHRIS MILLER</b> Huntington Cabell Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KEVIN "KC" CHRISTIAN</b> Chloe Calhoun Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>S. RYAN WHITE</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ELGINE HECETA McARDLE</b> Wheeling Ohio Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MYCHAL S. SCHULZ</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KRIS RAYNES</b> Eleanor</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KRIS WARNER</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KEN REED</b> Hedgesville Morgan Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRIAN WOOD</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DOUG SKAFF JR.</b> South Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JON D. HOOVER</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PHILLIP M. STOWERS</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ROBERT "BOBBY" EGGLETON</b> Leon</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CALEB L. HANNA</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MARK HUNT</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>TRICIA JACKSON</b> Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ERIC L. HOUSEHOLDER</b> Martinsburg Berkeley Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>GARY WARNER</b> Red House</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LARRY PACK</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RICHARD "RICK" WITT</b> Red House Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ROY RAMEY</b> Lesage Cabell Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KENT LEONHARDT</b> Fairview Monongalia Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOSHUA KURT HIGGINBOTHAM</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LINDA J. HUNT</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PAUL SOWARDS</b> Hurricane District III</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>J. CHRISTIAN WELLS</b> Winfield District I</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHUCK HATFIELD</b> Hurricane District III</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JACOB FERTIG</b> Scott Depot District I</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOHN "JB" McCUSKEY</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MIKE STUART</b> South Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MICHAEL WOLPERT</b> Hurricane</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT</b></p>
<p style="text-align: right;"><b>VOTE BOTH SIDES</b></p>		

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

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In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

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The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

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- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

**Putnam County, WV**

**Primary Election**

**May 14, 2024**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER**

To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.

**STATE TICKET**

**FOR STATE SENATOR  
4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**AMY NICHOLE GRADY**  
Leon Mason Co.

**FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES  
21ST DELEGATE DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JARRED CANNON**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUDICIAL OFFICERS**

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF  
APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**HALEY BUNN**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

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Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF  
APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2**  
(Vote for ONE)

**CHARLES S TRUMP IV**  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

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Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE  
COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**S. RYAN WHITE**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**ELGINE HECETA McARDLE**  
Wheeling Ohio Co.

**MYCHAL S. SCHULZ**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

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Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE  
7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JON D. HOOVER**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

**PHILLIP M. STOWERS**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

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Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE  
7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

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Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
FAMILY COURT JUDGE  
26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**RICHARD "RICK" WITT**  
Red House Putnam Co.

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Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**LINDA J. HUNT**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

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Write-in, If Any

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**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUDICIAL OFFICERS**

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JEAN ANNE LUIKART**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

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Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3**  
(Vote for ONE)

**ERIC B. WHITNEY**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

**SARAH WEAVER**  
Buffalo Putnam Co.

**LARRY WINGO**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

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Write-in, If Any

**COUNTY TICKET**

**FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER**  
(Vote for ONE)

**ANDY SKIDMORE**  
Scott Depot

**FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY**  
(Vote for ONE)

**KRIS RAYNES**  
Eleanor

**FOR SHERIFF**  
(Vote for ONE)

**ROBERT "BOBBY" EGGLETON**  
Leon

**FOR ASSESSOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

**GARY WARNER**  
Red House

**FOR SURVEYOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

**OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF  
ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM  
COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
(Vote For Not More Than TWO)  
Maximum eligible to be elected from each  
district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

**PAUL SOWARDS**  
Hurricane District III

**J. CHRISTIAN WELLS**  
Winfield District I

**CHUCK HATFIELD**  
Hurricane District III

**JACOB FERTIG**  
Scott Depot District I

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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

**OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT**

**FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR  
WESTERN DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**MICHAEL WOLPERT**  
Hurricane

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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

**NATIONAL TICKET**

**FOR PRESIDENT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**DAVID STUCKENBERG**  
Tampa, FL

**RACHEL HANNA MoHAWK SWIFT**  
Hagerstown, MD

**RYAN L. BINKLEY**  
Dallas, TX

**NIKKI R. HALEY**  
Kiawah Island, SC

**DONALD J. TRUMP**  
Palm Beach, FL

**FOR U.S. SENATOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

**ZANE LAWHORN**  
Princeton Mercer Co.

**JIM JUSTICE**  
Lewisburg Greenbrier Co.

**BRYAN BIRD**  
Beckley Raleigh Co.

**JANET McNULTY**  
Martinsburg Berkeley Co.

**ALEXANDER X. MOONEY**  
Charles Town Jefferson Co.

**BRYAN McKINNEY**  
Inwood Berkeley Co.

**DON LINDSAY**  
Lost River Hardy Co.

**FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**DERRICK EVANS**  
Prichard, WV Wayne Co.

**CAROL MILLER**  
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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

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The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
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In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

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- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**



OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

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STATE TICKET

FOR STATE SENATOR 8TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ GLENN D. JEFFRIES Red House Putnam Co.

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

○ JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

○ ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

○ CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ S. RYAN WHITE Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ ELGINE HECETA McARDLE Wheeling Ohio Co.

○ MYCHAL S. SCHULZ Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ JON D. HOOVER Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ PHILLIP M. STOWERS Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

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○ JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

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COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

○ ANDY SKIDMORE Scott Depot

○ Write-in, If Any

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

○ KRIS RAYNES Eleanor

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

○ ROBERT "BOBBY" EGGLETON Leon

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

○ GARY WARNER Red House

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

○ PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III

○ J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

○ CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

○ JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

○ Write-in, If Any

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

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<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

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In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

**Putnam County, WV**

**Primary Election**

**May 14, 2024**

<p><b>INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER</b> To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATE TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR STATE SENATOR 8TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>GLENN D. JEFFRIES</b> Red House Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS</b></p>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ZANE LAWHORN</b> Princeton Mercer Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JIM JUSTICE</b> Lewisburg Greenbrier Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRYAN BIRD</b> Beckley Raleigh Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JANET McNULTY</b> Martinsburg Berkeley Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ALEXANDER X. MOONEY</b> Charles Town Jefferson Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRYAN McKINNEY</b> Inwood Berkeley Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DON LINDSAY</b> Lost River Hardy Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>HALEY BUNN</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ERIC B. WHITNEY</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>SARAH WEAVER</b> Buffalo Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LARRY WINGO</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DERRICK EVANS</b> Prichard, WV Wayne Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CAROL MILLER</b> Huntington, WV Cabell Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHARLES S TRUMP IV</b> Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>COUNTY TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ANDY SKIDMORE</b> Scott Depot</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KRIS RAYNES</b> Eleanor</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATE TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MAC WARNER</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MITCH ROBERTS</b> Poca Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MOORE CAPITO</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PATRICK MORRISEY</b> Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHRIS MILLER</b> Huntington Cabell Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KEVIN "KC" CHRISTIAN</b> Chloe Calhoun Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>S. RYAN WHITE</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ELGINE HECETA McARDLE</b> Wheeling Ohio Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MYCHAL S. SCHULZ</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ROBERT "BOBBY" EGGLETON</b> Leon</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>GARY WARNER</b> Red House</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KRIS WARNER</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KEN REED</b> Hedgesville Morgan Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRIAN WOOD</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DOUG SKAFF JR.</b> South Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JON D. HOOVER</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PHILLIP M. STOWERS</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PAUL SOWARDS</b> Hurricane District III</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>J. CHRISTIAN WELLS</b> Winfield District I</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHUCK HATFIELD</b> Hurricane District III</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JACOB FERTIG</b> Scott Depot District I</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CALEB L. HANNA</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MARK HUNT</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>TRICIA JACKSON</b> Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ERIC L. HOUSEHOLDER</b> Martinsburg Berkeley Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p>Write-in, If Any</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LARRY PACK</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RICHARD "RICK" WITT</b> Red House Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p>Write-in, If Any</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ROY RAMEY</b> Lesage Cabell Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KENT LEONHARDT</b> Fairview Monongalia Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOSHUA KURT HIGGINBOTHAM</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LINDA J. HUNT</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MICHAEL WOLPERT</b> Hurricane</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOHN "JB" McCUSKEY</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MIKE STUART</b> South Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p>Write-in, If Any</p>
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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

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The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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- For the Levies
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**VOTE BOTH SIDES**



# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

**Putnam County, WV**

**Primary Election**

**May 14, 2024**

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DERRICK EVANS</b> Prichard, WV Wayne Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CAROL MILLER</b> Huntington, WV Cabell Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATE TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MAC WARNER</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MITCH ROBERTS</b> Poca Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MOORE CAPITO</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PATRICK MORRISEY</b> Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHRIS MILLER</b> Huntington Cabell Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KEVIN "KC" CHRISTIAN</b> Chloe Calhoun Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>COUNTY TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ANDY SKIDMORE</b> Scott Depot</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KRIS RAYNES</b> Eleanor</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CALEB L. HANNA</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MARK HUNT</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>TRICIA JACKSON</b> Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ERIC L. HOUSEHOLDER</b> Martinsburg Berkeley Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JON D. HOOVER</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PHILLIP M. STOWERS</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PAUL SOWARDS</b> Hurricane District III</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>J. CHRISTIAN WELLS</b> Winfield District I</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHUCK HATFIELD</b> Hurricane District III</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JACOB FERTIG</b> Scott Depot District I</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LARRY PACK</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MICHAEL WOLPERT</b> Hurricane</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ROY RAMEY</b> Lesage Cabell Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KENT LEONHARDT</b> Fairview Monongalia Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOSHUA KURT HIGGINBOTHAM</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LINDA J. HUNT</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>VOTE BOTH SIDES</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOHN "JB" McCUSKEY</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MIKE STUART</b> South Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p>Write-in, If Any</p>	

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
Class II	45.90
Class III	91.80
Class IV	91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.

STATE TICKET

FOR STATE SENATOR 8TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ GLENN D. JEFFRIES Red House Putnam Co.

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ KATHIE HESS CROUSE Buffalo Putnam Co.

○ DEBBIE DEWEESE Buffalo Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ ZANE LAWHORN Princeton Mercer Co.

○ JIM JUSTICE Lewisburg Greenbrier Co.

○ BRYAN BIRD Beckley Raleigh Co.

○ JANET McNULTY Martinsburg Berkeley Co.

○ ALEXANDER X. MOONEY Charles Town Jefferson Co.

○ BRYAN McKINNEY Inwood Berkeley Co.

○ DON LINDSAY Lost River Hardy Co.

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ DERRICK EVANS Prichard, WV Wayne Co.

○ CAROL MILLER Huntington, WV Cabell Co.

STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

○ MAC WARNER Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ MITCH ROBERTS Poca Putnam Co.

○ MOORE CAPITO Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ PATRICK MORRISEY Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.

○ CHRIS MILLER Huntington Cabell Co.

○ KEVIN "KC" CHRISTIAN Chloe Calhoun Co.

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

○ KRIS WARNER Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ KEN REED Hedgesville Morgan Co.

○ BRIAN WOOD Winfield Putnam Co.

○ DOUG SKAFF JR. South Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

○ CALEB L. HANNA Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ MARK HUNT Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ TRICIA JACKSON Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.

○ ERIC L. HOUSEHOLDER Martinsburg Berkeley Co.

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

○ LARRY PACK Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

○ ROY RAMEY Lesage Cabell Co.

○ KENT LEONHARDT Fairview Monongalia Co.

○ JOSHUA KURT HIGGINBOTHAM Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

○ JOHN "JB" McCUSKEY Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ MIKE STUART South Charleston Kanawha Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

○ JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

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○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

○ ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.

○ SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.

○ LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

○ Write-in, If Any

COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

○ ANDY SKIDMORE Scott Depot

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

○ KRIS RAYNES Eleanor

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

○ ROBERT "BOBBY" EGGLETON Leon

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

○ GARY WARNER Red House

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

○ PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III

○ J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

○ CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

○ JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

○ Write-in, If Any

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OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

○ Write-in, If Any

○ Write-in, If Any

○ Write-in, If Any

○ Write-in, If Any

VOTE BOTH SIDES

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

○ CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

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○ JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

○ RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

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○ JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

○ ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.

○ SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.

○ LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

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COUNTY TICKET

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FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

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FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

○ GARY WARNER Red House

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

○ PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III

○ J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

○ CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

○ JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

○ Write-in, If Any

○ Write-in, If Any

○ Write-in, If Any

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

○ Write-in, If Any

○ Write-in, If Any

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
Class II	45.90
Class III	91.80
Class IV	91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

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# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

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### STATE TICKET

FOR STATE SENATOR  
4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

AMY NICHOLE GRADY  
Leon Mason Co.

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES  
21ST DELEGATE DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

JARRED CANNON  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF  
APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1  
(Vote for ONE)

HALEY BUNN  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF  
APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2  
(Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE  
COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1  
(Vote for ONE)

S. RYAN WHITE  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

ELGINE HECETA McARDLE  
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MYCHAL S. SCHULZ  
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Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE  
7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1  
(Vote for ONE)

JON D. HOOVER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

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Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
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(Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
FAMILY COURT JUDGE  
26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT  
(Vote for ONE)

RICHARD "RICK" WITT  
Red House Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1  
(Vote for ONE)

LINDA J. HUNT  
Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

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MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1  
(Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

JOHN "JB" McCUSKEY  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

MIKE STUART  
South Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF  
MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2  
(Vote for ONE)

JEAN ANNE LUIKART  
Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

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Eleanor

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Hurricane District III

JACOB FERTIG  
Scott Depot District I

Write-in, If Any

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### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR  
WESTERN DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

MICHAEL WOLPERT  
Hurricane

Write-in, If Any

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# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

**Putnam County, WV**

**Primary Election**

**May 14, 2024**

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NATIONAL TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DAVID STUCKENBERG</b> Tampa, FL</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RACHEL HANNA MoHAWK SWIFT</b> Hagerstown, MD</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RYAN L. BINKLEY</b> Dallas, TX</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>NIKKI R. HALEY</b> Kiawah Island, SC</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DONALD J. TRUMP</b> Palm Beach, FL</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 20TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JACOB LOSH</b> Scott Depot Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>SARAH DRENNAN</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JEAN ANNE LUIKART</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ZANE LAWHORN</b> Princeton Mercer Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JIM JUSTICE</b> Lewisburg Greenbrier Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRYAN BIRD</b> Beckley Raleigh Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JANET McNULTY</b> Martinsburg Berkeley Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ALEXANDER X. MOONEY</b> Charles Town Jefferson Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRYAN McKINNEY</b> Inwood Berkeley Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DON LINDSAY</b> Lost River Hardy Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>HALEY BUNN</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ERIC B. WHITNEY</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>SARAH WEAVER</b> Buffalo Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LARRY WINGO</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DERRICK EVANS</b> Prichard, WV Wayne Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CAROL MILLER</b> Huntington, WV Cabell Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHARLES S TRUMP IV</b> Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>COUNTY TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ANDY SKIDMORE</b> Scott Depot</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KRIS WARNER</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KEN REED</b> Hedgesville Morgan Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>BRIAN WOOD</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>DOUG SKAFF JR.</b> South Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JON D. HOOVER</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PHILLIP M. STOWERS</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ROBERT "BOBBY" EGGLETON</b> Leon</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CALEB L. HANNA</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MARK HUNT</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>TRICIA JACKSON</b> Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ERIC L. HOUSEHOLDER</b> Martinsburg Berkeley Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>GARY WARNER</b> Red House</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LARRY PACK</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>RICHARD "RICK" WITT</b> Red House Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ROY RAMEY</b> Lesage Cabell Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>KENT LEONHARDT</b> Fairview Monongalia Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOSHUA KURT HIGGINBOTHAM</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LINDA J. HUNT</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PAUL SOWARDS</b> Hurricane District III</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>J. CHRISTIAN WELLS</b> Winfield District I</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHUCK HATFIELD</b> Hurricane District III</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JACOB FERTIG</b> Scott Depot District I</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOHN "JB" McCUSKEY</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MIKE STUART</b> South Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<p>Write-in, If Any</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)</b></p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MICHAEL WOLPERT</b> Hurricane</p> <p>Write-in, If Any</p>
<p style="text-align: right;"><b>VOTE BOTH SIDES</b></p>		

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
Class II	45.90
Class III	91.80
Class IV	91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.

STATE TICKET

FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ AMY NICHOLE GRADY Leon Mason, Co.

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ KATHIE HESS CROUSE Buffalo Putnam Co.

○ DEBBIE DEWEESE Buffalo Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ ZANE LAWHORN Princeton Mercer Co.

○ JIM JUSTICE Lewisburg Greenbrier Co.

○ BRYAN BIRD Beckley Raleigh Co.

○ JANET McNULTY Martinsburg Berkeley Co.

○ ALEXANDER X. MOONEY Charles Town Jefferson Co.

○ BRYAN McKINNEY Inwood Berkeley Co.

○ DON LINDSAY Lost River Hardy Co.

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ DERRICK EVANS Prichard, WV Wayne Co.

○ CAROL MILLER Huntington, WV Cabell Co.

STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

○ MAC WARNER Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ MITCH ROBERTS Poca Putnam Co.

○ MOORE CAPITO Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ PATRICK MORRISEY Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.

○ CHRIS MILLER Huntington Cabell Co.

○ KEVIN "KC" CHRISTIAN Chloe Calhoun Co.

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

○ KRIS WARNER Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ KEN REED Hedgesville Morgan Co.

○ BRIAN WOOD Winfield Putnam Co.

○ DOUG SKAFF JR. South Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

○ JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ CALEB L. HANNA Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ MARK HUNT Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ TRICIA JACKSON Harpers Ferry Jefferson Co.

○ ERIC L. HOUSEHOLDER Martinsburg Berkeley Co.

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

○ RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

○ LARRY PACK Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

○ ROY RAMEY Lesage Cabell Co.

○ KENT LEONHARDT Fairview Monongalia Co.

○ JOSHUA KURT HIGGINBOTHAM Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

○ JOHN "JB" McCUSKEY Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ MIKE STUART South Charleston Kanawha Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

○ JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

○ ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.

○ SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.

○ LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

○ ANDY SKIDMORE Scott Depot

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

○ KRIS RAYNES Eleanor

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

○ ROBERT "BOBBY" EGGLETON Leon

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

○ GARY WARNER Red House

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

○ PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III

○ J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

○ CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

○ JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

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**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

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In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**



OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

NATIONAL TICKET

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

- JOSEPH R. BIDEN JR, STEPHEN P LYONS, JASON MICHAEL PALMER, ARMANDO "MANDO" PEREZ-SERRATO, DEAN PHILLIPS

- CHARLES S TRUMP IV, Morgan Co., Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

- DON BLANKENSHIP, ZACHARY SHREWSBURY, GLENN ELLIOTT

- S. RYAN WHITE, ELGINE HECETA McARDLE, MYCHAL S. SCHULZ

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

- JIM UMBERGER, CHRIS BOB REED

- JON D. HOOVER, PHILLIP M. STOWERS

PAUL SOWARDS, J. CHRISTIAN WELLS

STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

CHUCK HATFIELD, JACOB FERTIG

- STEVE WILLIAMS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

- THORNTON COOPER

- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

- MARY ANN ROEBUCK CLAYTOR

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

- DEBORAH STILES

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

MICHAEL WOLPERT

- TERESA TORISEVA, RICHIE ROBB

- LINDA J. HUNT

FOR STATE SENATOR 8TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

JEAN ANNE LUIKART

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3

- HALEY BUNN

- ERIC B. WHITNEY, SARAH WEAVER, LARRY WINGO

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
Class II	45.90
Class III	91.80
Class IV	91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

### INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

- CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.
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- Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

- S. RYAN WHITE  
Charleston Kanawha Co.
- ELGINE HECETA McARDLE  
Wheeling Ohio Co.
- MYCHAL S. SCHULZ  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

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- Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

- JON D. HOOVER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.
- PHILLIP M. STOWERS  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

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- Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

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- Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

- RICHARD "RICK" WITT  
Red House Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

- LINDA J. HUNT  
Winfield Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

- JEAN ANNE LUIKART  
Winfield Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

- ERIC B. WHITNEY  
Winfield Putnam Co.
- SARAH WEAVER  
Buffalo Putnam Co.
- LARRY WINGO  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

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- Write-in, If Any

### COUNTY TICKET

### FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

### FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

### FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

### FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

### FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

### NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

- PAUL SOWARDS  
Hurricane District III
- J. CHRISTIAN WELLS  
Winfield District I
- CHUCK HATFIELD  
Hurricane District III
- JACOB FERTIG  
Scott Depot District I

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

### FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

- MICHAEL WOLPERT  
Hurricane

### FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

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- Write-in, If Any

### FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

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- Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

### VOTE BOTH SIDES

### NATIONAL TICKET

### FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

- JOSEPH R. BIDEN JR  
Wilmington, DE
- STEPHEN P LYONS  
Damascus, MD
- JASON MICHAEL PALMER  
Baltimore, MD
- ARMANDO "MANDO" PEREZ-SERRATO  
Orange, CA
- DEAN PHILLIPS  
Wayzata, MN

### FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

- DON BLANKENSHIP  
Sprigg Mingo Co.
- ZACHARY SHREWSBURY  
Princeton Mercer Co.
- GLENN ELLIOTT  
Wheeling Ohio Co.

### FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

- JIM UMBERGER  
Lewisburg, WV Greenbrier Co
- CHRIS BOB REED  
Charleston, WV Kanawha Co

### STATE TICKET

### FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

- STEVE WILLIAMS  
Huntington Cabell Co.

### FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

- THORNTON COOPER  
South Charleston Kanawha Co.

### FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

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St. Albans Kanawha Co.

### FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

### FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

- DEBORAH STILES  
Parsons Tucker Co.

### FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

- TERESA TORISEVA  
Wheeling Ohio Co.
- RICHIE ROBB  
South Charleston Kanawha Co.

### FOR STATE SENATOR 8TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

### FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

- HALEY BUNN  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

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- Write-in, If Any

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

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For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

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- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

NATIONAL TICKET

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH R. BIDEN JR Wilmington, DE

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

STEPHEN P LYONS Damascus, MD

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

JASON MICHAEL PALMER Baltimore, MD

S. RYAN WHITE Charleston Kanawha Co.

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

ARMANDO "MANDO" PEREZ-SERRATO Orange, CA

ELGINE HECETA McARDLE Wheeling Ohio Co.

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

DEAN PHILLIPS Wayzata, MN

MYCHAL S. SCHULZ Charleston Kanawha Co.

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

DON BLANKENSHIP Sprigg Mingo Co.

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

ZACHARY SHREWSBURY Princeton Mercer Co.

Write-in, If Any

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

GLENN ELLIOTT Wheeling Ohio Co.

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

JIM UMBERGER Lewisburg, WV Greenbrier Co.

JON D. HOOVER Hurricane Putnam Co.

PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III

CHRIS BOB REED Charleston, WV Kanawha Co.

PHILLIP M. STOWERS Hurricane Putnam Co.

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

STATE TICKET

Write-in, If Any

CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

STEVE WILLIAMS Huntington Cabell Co.

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

THORNTON COOPER South Charleston Kanawha Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

MARY ANN ROEBUCK CLAYTOR St. Albans Kanawha Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

DEBORAH STILES Parsons Tucker Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

LINDA J. HUNT Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

TERESA TORISEVA Wheeling Ohio Co.

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

RICHIE ROBB South Charleston Kanawha Co.

ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.

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FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

DWAYNE RUSSELL Leon Mason Co.

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FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 20TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

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STEVE PATRICK Hurricane Putnam Co.

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

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HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
Class II	45.90
Class III	91.80
Class IV	91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**



# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

**Putnam County, WV**

**Primary Election**

**May 14, 2024**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER**

To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS**

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2**  
(Vote for ONE)

**CHARLES S TRUMP IV**  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

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**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**S. RYAN WHITE**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**ELGINE HECETA McARDLE**  
Wheeling Ohio Co.

**MYCHAL S. SCHULZ**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

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**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JON D. HOOVER**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

**PHILLIP M. STOWERS**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**RICHARD "RICK" WITT**  
Red House Putnam Co.

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**LINDA J. HUNT**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JEAN ANNE LUIKART**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3**  
(Vote for ONE)

**ERIC B. WHITNEY**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

**SARAH WEAVER**  
Buffalo Putnam Co.

**LARRY WINGO**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

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**COUNTY TICKET**

**FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

**FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

**FOR SHERIFF**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

**FOR ASSESSOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

**FOR SURVEYOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

**OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
(Vote For Not More Than TWO)  
Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

**PAUL SOWARDS**  
Hurricane District III

**J. CHRISTIAN WELLS**  
Winfield District I

**CHUCK HATFIELD**  
Hurricane District III

**JACOB FERTIG**  
Scott Depot District I

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**OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**MICHAEL WOLPERT**  
Hurricane

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

NATIONAL TICKET

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH R. BIDEN JR Wilmington, DE

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

STEPHEN P LYONS Damascus, MD

Write-in, If Any

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

JASON MICHAEL PALMER Baltimore, MD

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

ARMANDO "MANDO" PEREZ-SERRATO Orange, CA

S. RYAN WHITE Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

DEAN PHILLIPS Wayzata, MN

ELGINE HECETA McARDLE Wheeling Ohio Co.

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

MYCHAL S. SCHULZ Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

DON BLANKENSHIP Sprigg Mingo Co.

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

ZACHARY SHREWSBURY Princeton Mercer Co.

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OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

GLENN ELLIOTT Wheeling Ohio Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

JON D. HOOVER Hurricane Putnam Co.

PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III

JIM UMBERGER Lewisburg, WV Greenbrier Co

PHILLIP M. STOWERS Hurricane Putnam Co.

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

CHRIS BOB REED Charleston, WV Kanawha Co

Write-in, If Any

CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

STEVE WILLIAMS Huntington Cabell Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

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THORNTON COOPER South Charleston Kanawha Co.

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FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

MARY ANN ROEBUCK CLAYTOR St. Albans Kanawha Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

DEBORAH STILES Parsons Tucker Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

LINDA J. HUNT Winfield Putnam Co.

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TERESA TORISEVA Wheeling Ohio Co.

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RICHIE ROBB South Charleston Kanawha Co.

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

DWAYNE RUSSELL Leon Mason Co.

JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 21ST DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

MICHAEL MOSTELLER II Hurricane Putnam Co.

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.

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**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
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# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

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### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2

(Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1

(Vote for ONE)

S. RYAN WHITE  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

ELGINE HECETA McARDLE  
Wheeling Ohio Co.

MYCHAL S. SCHULZ  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1

(Vote for ONE)

JON D. HOOVER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

PHILLIP M. STOWERS  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2

(Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT

(Vote for ONE)

RICHARD "RICK" WITT  
Red House Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1

(Vote for ONE)

LINDA J. HUNT  
Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2

(Vote for ONE)

JEAN ANNE LUIKART  
Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3

(Vote for ONE)

ERIC B. WHITNEY  
Winfield Putnam Co.

SARAH WEAVER  
Buffalo Putnam Co.

LARRY WINGO  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

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### COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY  
(Vote for ONE)

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FOR SHERIFF  
(Vote for ONE)

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(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR SURVEYOR  
(Vote for ONE)

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### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION  
(Vote For Not More Than TWO)  
Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

PAUL SOWARDS  
Hurricane District III

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS  
Winfield District I

CHUCK HATFIELD  
Hurricane District III

JACOB FERTIG  
Scott Depot District I

Write-in, If Any

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### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

### FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT

(Vote for ONE)

MICHAEL WOLPERT  
Hurricane

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

NATIONAL TICKET

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

- JOSEPH R. BIDEN JR, STEPHEN P LYONS, JASON MICHAEL PALMER, ARMANDO "MANDO" PEREZ-SERRATO, DEAN PHILLIPS

- CHARLES S TRUMP IV, Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

- DON BLANKENSHIP, ZACHARY SHREWSBURY, GLENN ELLIOTT

- S. RYAN WHITE, ELGINE HECETA McARDLE, MYCHAL S. SCHULZ

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

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STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

PAUL SOWARDS, J. CHRISTIAN WELLS

- STEVE WILLIAMS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2

CHUCK HATFIELD, JACOB FERTIG

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

- THORNTON COOPER

- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER

Write-in, If Any

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

- MARY ANN ROEBUCK CLAYTOR

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT

Write-in, If Any

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- RICHARD "RICK" WITT

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

- DEBORAH STILES

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

- TERESA TORISEVA, RICHIE ROBB

- LINDA J. HUNT

MICHAEL WOLPERT

FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

- DWAYNE RUSSELL

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2

Write-in, If Any

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 21ST DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

- MICHAEL MOSTELLER II

- JEAN ANNE LUIKART

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3

- HALEY BUNN

- ERIC B. WHITNEY, SARAH WEAVER, LARRY WINGO

Write-in, If Any

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

NATIONAL TICKET

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH R. BIDEN JR Wilmington, DE
STEPHEN P LYONS Damascus, MD

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

JASON MICHAEL PALMER Baltimore, MD
ARMANDO "MANDO" PEREZ-SERRATO Orange, CA
DEAN PHILLIPS Wayzata, MN

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

S. RYAN WHITE Charleston Kanawha Co.
ELGINE HECETA McARDLE Wheeling Ohio Co.
MYCHAL S. SCHULZ Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

DON BLANKENSHIP Sprigg Mingo Co.
ZACHARY SHREWSBURY Princeton Mercer Co.
GLENN ELLIOTT Wheeling Ohio Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

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CHRIS BOB REED Charleston, WV Kanawha Co.

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NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

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CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III
JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

STEVE WILLIAMS Huntington Cabell Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

THORNTON COOPER South Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

MARY ANN ROEBUCK CLAYTOR St. Albans Kanawha Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

DEBORAH STILES Parsons Tucker Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

LINDA J. HUNT Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

TERESA TORISEVA Wheeling Ohio Co.
RICHIE ROBB South Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

DWAYNE RUSSELL Leon Mason Co.

JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 21ST DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

MICHAEL MOSTELLER II Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.
SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.
LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

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**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
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<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

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### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

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(Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

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(Vote for ONE)

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Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

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(Vote for ONE)

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Hurricane Putnam Co.

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Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

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(Vote for ONE)

RICHARD "RICK" WITT  
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Write-in, If Any

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### COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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Scott Depot District I

Write-in, If Any

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### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

### FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT

(Vote for ONE)

MICHAEL WOLPERT  
Hurricane

Write-in, If Any

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

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- CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.
- 
- Write-in, If Any

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Hurricane Putnam Co.
- PHILLIP M. STOWERS  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

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- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.
- 
- Write-in, If Any

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- RICHARD "RICK" WITT  
Red House Putnam Co.
- 
- Write-in, If Any

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- Write-in, If Any

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- Write-in, If Any

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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- JACOB FERTIG  
Scott Depot District I

Write-in, If Any

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### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

### FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

- MICHAEL WOLPERT  
Hurricane
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- Write-in, If Any

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
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For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

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# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

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### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

S. RYAN WHITE  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

ELGINE HECETA McARDLE  
Wheeling Ohio Co.

MYCHAL S. SCHULZ  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

JON D. HOOVER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

PHILLIP M. STOWERS  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

RICHARD "RICK" WITT  
Red House Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

LINDA J. HUNT  
Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

JEAN ANNE LUIKART  
Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

ERIC B. WHITNEY  
Winfield Putnam Co.

SARAH WEAVER  
Buffalo Putnam Co.

LARRY WINGO  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

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### COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR SHERIFF  
(Vote for ONE)

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(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR SURVEYOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION  
(Vote For Not More Than TWO)  
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PAUL SOWARDS  
Hurricane District III

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Winfield District I

CHUCK HATFIELD  
Hurricane District III

JACOB FERTIG  
Scott Depot District I

Write-in, If Any

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### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

MICHAEL WOLPERT  
Hurricane

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

NATIONAL TICKET

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

- JOSEPH R. BIDEN JR, STEPHEN P LYONS, JASON MICHAEL PALMER, ARMANDO "MANDO" PEREZ-SERRATO, DEAN PHILLIPS

- CHARLES S TRUMP IV, Morgan Co., Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

- DON BLANKENSHIP, ZACHARY SHREWSBURY, GLENN ELLIOTT

- S. RYAN WHITE, ELGINE HECETA McARDLE, MYCHAL S. SCHULZ

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

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NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

PAUL SOWARDS, District III

- STEVE WILLIAMS, Cabell Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS, District I

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

CHUCK HATFIELD, District III

- THORNTON COOPER, Kanawha Co.

- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER, Hurricane

JACOB FERTIG, District I

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

- MARY ANN ROEBUCK CLAYTOR, Kanawha Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT

Write-in, If Any

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

- RICHARD "RICK" WITT, Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

- DEBORAH STILES, Tucker Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1

MICHAEL WOLPERT, Hurricane

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

- LINDA J. HUNT, Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

- TERESA TORISEVA, Ohio Co.

Write-in, If Any

- RICHIE ROBB, Kanawha Co.

FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2

- DWAYNE RUSSELL, Mason Co.

- JEAN ANNE LUIKART, Putnam Co.

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 21ST DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

- MICHAEL MOSTELLER II, Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1

- ERIC B. WHITNEY, Putnam Co.

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Write-in, If Any

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Primary Election

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OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
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<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

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(Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
Class II	45.90
Class III	91.80
Class IV	91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**



# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

### INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

### COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
(Vote for ONE)

### NATIONAL TICKET

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT  
(Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY  
(Vote for ONE)

- JOSEPH R. BIDEN JR  
Wilmington, DE
- STEPHEN P LYONS  
Damascus, MD
- JASON MICHAEL PALMER  
Baltimore, MD
- ARMANDO "MANDO" PEREZ-SERRATO  
Orange, CA
- DEAN PHILLIPS  
Wayzata, MN

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1  
(Vote for ONE)

FOR SHERIFF  
(Vote for ONE)

- DON BLANKENSHIP  
Sprigg Mingo Co.
- ZACHARY SHREWSBURY  
Princeton Mercer Co.
- GLENN ELLIOTT  
Wheeling Ohio Co.

S. RYAN WHITE  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

ELGINE HECETA McARDLE  
Wheeling Ohio Co.

MYCHAL S. SCHULZ  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR ASSESSOR  
(Vote for ONE)

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR SURVEYOR  
(Vote for ONE)

- JIM UMBERGER  
Lewisburg, WV Greenbrier Co.
- CHRIS BOB REED  
Charleston, WV Kanawha Co.

JON D. HOOVER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

PHILLIP M. STOWERS  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION  
(Vote For Not More Than TWO)  
Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

### STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR  
(Vote for ONE)

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PAUL SOWARDS  
Hurricane District III

STEVE WILLIAMS  
Huntington Cabell Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2  
(Vote for ONE)

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS  
Winfield District I

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE  
(Vote for ONE)

THORNTON COOPER  
South Charleston Kanawha Co.

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

CHUCK HATFIELD  
Hurricane District III

JACOB FERTIG  
Scott Depot District I

FOR AUDITOR  
(Vote for ONE)

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MARY ANN ROEBUCK CLAYTOR  
St. Albans Kanawha Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT  
(Vote for ONE)

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FOR TREASURER  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

RICHARD "RICK" WITT  
Red House Putnam Co.

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE  
(Vote for ONE)

DEBORAH STILES  
Parsons Tucker Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1  
(Vote for ONE)

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FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL  
(Vote for ONE)

TERESA TORISEVA  
Wheeling Ohio Co.

LINDA J. HUNT  
Winfield Putnam Co.

### FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

RICHIE ROBB  
South Charleston Kanawha Co.

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MICHAEL WOLPERT  
Hurricane

FOR STATE SENATOR 8TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

JEAN ANNE LUIKART  
Winfield Putnam Co.

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1  
(Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3  
(Vote for ONE)

HALEY BUNN  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

ERIC B. WHITNEY  
Winfield Putnam Co.

SARAH WEAVER  
Buffalo Putnam Co.

LARRY WINGO  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

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- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER
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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

NATIONAL TICKET

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH R. BIDEN JR Wilmington, DE

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

STEPHEN P LYONS Damascus, MD

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

JASON MICHAEL PALMER Baltimore, MD

S. RYAN WHITE Charleston Kanawha Co.

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

ARMANDO "MANDO" PEREZ-SERRATO Orange, CA

ELGINE HECETA McARDLE Wheeling Ohio Co.

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

DEAN PHILLIPS Wayzata, MN

MYCHAL S. SCHULZ Charleston Kanawha Co.

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

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FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

DON BLANKENSHIP Sprigg Mingo Co.

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

ZACHARY SHREWSBURY Princeton Mercer Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

GLENN ELLIOTT Wheeling Ohio Co.

JON D. HOOVER Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

PHILLIP M. STOWERS Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

JIM UMBERGER Lewisburg, WV Greenbrier Co.

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CHRIS BOB REED Charleston, WV Kanawha Co.

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STATE TICKET

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

STEVE WILLIAMS Huntington Cabell Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

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THORNTON COOPER South Charleston Kanawha Co.

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FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

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MARY ANN ROEBUCK CLAYTOR St. Albans Kanawha Co.

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FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

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FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

LINDA J. HUNT Winfield Putnam Co.

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DEBORAH STILES Parsons Tucker Co.

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FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

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TERESA TORISEVA Wheeling Ohio Co.

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RICHIE ROBB South Charleston Kanawha Co.

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FOR STATE SENATOR 8TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

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FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.

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HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.

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LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

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### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

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- CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.
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- Write-in, If Any

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### VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

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Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

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Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

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RICHARD "RICK" WITT  
Red House Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

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JEAN ANNE LUIKART  
Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

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Winfield Putnam Co.

SARAH WEAVER  
Buffalo Putnam Co.

LARRY WINGO  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

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## COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR SHERIFF  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR ASSESSOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR SURVEYOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

## OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION  
(Vote For Not More Than TWO)  
Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

PAUL SOWARDS  
Hurricane District III

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS  
Winfield District I

CHUCK HATFIELD  
Hurricane District III

JACOB FERTIG  
Scott Depot District I

Write-in, If Any

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## OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

### FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

MICHAEL WOLPERT  
Hurricane

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VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

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Class III	91.80
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In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

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**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

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Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

NATIONAL TICKET

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH R. BIDEN JR Wilmington, DE

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

STEPHEN P LYONS Damascus, MD

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

JASON MICHAEL PALMER Baltimore, MD

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

ARMANDO "MANDO" PEREZ-SERRATO Orange, CA

ELGINE HECETA McARDLE Wheeling Ohio Co.

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

DEAN PHILLIPS Wayzata, MN

MYCHAL S. SCHULZ Charleston Kanawha Co.

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

DON BLANKENSHIP Sprigg Mingo Co.

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

ZACHARY SHREWSBURY Princeton Mercer Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

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FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

PHILLIP M. STOWERS Hurricane Putnam Co.

PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III

JIM UMBERGER Lewisburg, WV Greenbrier Co

Write-in, If Any

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

CHRIS BOB REED Charleston, WV Kanawha Co

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

STATE TICKET

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

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STEVE WILLIAMS Huntington Cabell Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

THORNTON COOPER South Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

MARY ANN ROEBUCK CLAYTOR St. Albans Kanawha Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

LINDA J. HUNT Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

DEBORAH STILES Parsons Tucker Co.

JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

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TERESA TORISEVA Wheeling Ohio Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

RICHIE ROBB South Charleston Kanawha Co.

ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR STATE SENATOR 8TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

Write-in, If Any

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

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HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

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VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

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# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

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### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

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Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

S. RYAN WHITE  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

ELGINE HECETA McARDLE  
Wheeling Ohio Co.

MYCHAL S. SCHULZ  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

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Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

JON D. HOOVER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

PHILLIP M. STOWERS  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

RICHARD "RICK" WITT  
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### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

ERIC B. WHITNEY  
Winfield Putnam Co.

SARAH WEAVER  
Buffalo Putnam Co.

LARRY WINGO  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

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### COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR SHERIFF  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR ASSESSOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR SURVEYOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION  
(Vote For Not More Than TWO)  
Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

PAUL SOWARDS  
Hurricane District III

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS  
Winfield District I

CHUCK HATFIELD  
Hurricane District III

JACOB FERTIG  
Scott Depot District I

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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

### FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

MICHAEL WOLPERT  
Hurricane

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Write-in, If Any

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
Class II	45.90
Class III	91.80
Class IV	91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**CITY OF NITRO MUNICIPAL  
OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2024, July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, and July 1, 2028 for the following purposes:

A. Street Maintenance and Repair	\$34,959.50
B. Parks and Recreation	\$25,946.94
C. Firemen's Wages	\$70,027.87
D. Street Lighting	\$41,610.89
E. Policeman's Wages	\$136,370.01
F. Library	\$46,917.64
G. Fire Hydrant Rental	\$12,735.25

According to the Order of the City Council entered February 6, 2024.

The additional Levy shall be on Class I property 3.65 cents, Class II property 7.30 cents, Class IV property 14.60 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation.

- For the Levy
- Against the Levy

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

NATIONAL TICKET

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH R. BIDEN JR Wilmington, DE

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

STEPHEN P LYONS Damascus, MD

Write-in, If Any

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

JASON MICHAEL PALMER Baltimore, MD

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

ARMANDO "MANDO" PEREZ-SERRATO Orange, CA

S. RYAN WHITE Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

DEAN PHILLIPS Wayzata, MN

ELGINE HECETA McARDLE Wheeling Ohio Co.

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

MYCHAL S. SCHULZ Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

DON BLANKENSHIP Sprigg Mingo Co.

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

ZACHARY SHREWSBURY Princeton Mercer Co.

Write-in, If Any

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

GLENN ELLIOTT Wheeling Ohio Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

JON D. HOOVER Hurricane Putnam Co.

JIM UMBERGER Lewisburg, WV Greenbrier Co.

PHILLIP M. STOWERS Hurricane Putnam Co.

CHRIS BOB REED Charleston, WV Kanawha Co.

STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III
J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I
CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III
JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

STEVE WILLIAMS Huntington Cabell Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

THORNTON COOPER South Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

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MARY ANN ROEBUCK CLAYTOR St. Albans Kanawha Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

DEBORAH STILES Parsons Tucker Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

LINDA J. HUNT Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

TERESA TORISEVA Wheeling Ohio Co.

RICHIE ROBB South Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR STATE SENATOR 8TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.

HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.

LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

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VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
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<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

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For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

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- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

NATIONAL TICKET

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

- JOSEPH R. BIDEN JR, STEPHEN P LYONS, JASON MICHAEL PALMER, ARMANDO "MANDO" PEREZ-SERRATO, DEAN PHILLIPS

- CHARLES S TRUMP IV, Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

- DON BLANKENSHIP, ZACHARY SHREWSBURY, GLENN ELLIOTT

- S. RYAN WHITE, ELGINE HECETA McARDLE, MYCHAL S. SCHULZ

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

- JIM UMBERGER, CHRIS BOB REED

- JON D. HOOVER, PHILLIP M. STOWERS

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

PAUL SOWARDS, J. CHRISTIAN WELLS

- STEVE WILLIAMS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2

CHUCK HATFIELD, JACOB FERTIG

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

- THORNTON COOPER

- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER

Write-in, If Any

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

- MARY ANN ROEBUCK CLAYTOR

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT

Write-in, If Any

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

- NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- RICHARD "RICK" WITT

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

- DEBORAH STILES

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1

MICHAEL WOLPERT

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

- TERESA TORISEVA, RICHIE ROBB

- LINDA J. HUNT

Write-in, If Any

FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2

- DWAYNE RUSSELL

- JEAN ANNE LUIKART

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 21ST DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

- MICHAEL MOSTELLER II

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

- HALEY BUNN

- ERIC B. WHITNEY

- SARAH WEAVER

- LARRY WINGO

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

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- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
Class II	45.90
Class III	91.80
Class IV	91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**



OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

NATIONAL TICKET

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH R. BIDEN JR Wilmington, DE

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

STEPHEN P LYONS Damascus, MD

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

JASON MICHAEL PALMER Baltimore, MD

S. RYAN WHITE Charleston Kanawha Co.

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

ARMANDO "MANDO" PEREZ-SERRATO Orange, CA

ELGINE HECETA McARDLE Wheeling Ohio Co.

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

DEAN PHILLIPS Wayzata, MN

MYCHAL S. SCHULZ Charleston Kanawha Co.

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

DON BLANKENSHIP Sprigg Mingo Co.

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

ZACHARY SHREWSBURY Princeton Mercer Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

GLENN ELLIOTT Wheeling Ohio Co.

JON D. HOOVER Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

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PHILLIP M. STOWERS Hurricane Putnam Co.

JIM UMBERGER Lewisburg, WV Greenbrier Co.

Write-in, If Any

CHRIS BOB REED Charleston, WV Kanawha Co.

PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III  
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CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III  
JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

STEVE WILLIAMS Huntington Cabell Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

THORNTON COOPER South Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

MARY ANN ROEBUCK CLAYTOR St. Albans Kanawha Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

DEBORAH STILES Parsons Tucker Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

TERESA TORISEVA Wheeling Ohio Co.

Write-in, If Any

RICHIE ROBB South Charleston Kanawha Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

DWAYNE RUSSELL Leon Mason Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 20TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

STEVE PATRICK Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.

HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.

LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

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VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
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Class IV	91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

NATIONAL TICKET

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH R. BIDEN JR Wilmington, DE

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

STEPHEN P LYONS Damascus, MD

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

GLENN ELLIOTT Wheeling Ohio Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

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NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

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PHILLIP M. STOWERS Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

CHRIS BOB REED Charleston, WV Kanawha Co.

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STATE TICKET

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FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III

STEVE WILLIAMS Huntington Cabell Co.

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

THORNTON COOPER South Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

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MARY ANN ROEBUCK CLAYTOR St. Albans Kanawha Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

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RICHIE ROBB South Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

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FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

DWAYNE RUSSELL Leon Mason Co.

JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 20TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

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STEVE PATRICK Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

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### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

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Write-in, If Any

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

S. RYAN WHITE  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

ELGINE HECETA McARDLE  
Wheeling Ohio Co.

MYCHAL S. SCHULZ  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

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Write-in, If Any

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

JON D. HOOVER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

PHILLIP M. STOWERS  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

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Write-in, If Any

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

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Write-in, If Any

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

RICHARD "RICK" WITT  
Red House Putnam Co.

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Write-in, If Any

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

LINDA J. HUNT  
Winfield Putnam Co.

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#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

JEAN ANNE LUIKART  
Winfield Putnam Co.

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Write-in, If Any

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Winfield Putnam Co.

SARAH WEAVER  
Buffalo Putnam Co.

LARRY WINGO  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

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### COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY  
(Vote for ONE)

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FOR SHERIFF  
(Vote for ONE)

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FOR ASSESSOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR SURVEYOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION  
(Vote For Not More Than TWO)  
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PAUL SOWARDS  
Hurricane District III

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS  
Winfield District I

CHUCK HATFIELD  
Hurricane District III

JACOB FERTIG  
Scott Depot District I

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Write-in, If Any

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### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

#### FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

MICHAEL WOLPERT  
Hurricane

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Write-in, If Any

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

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**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
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<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

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OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Putnam County, WV

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May 14, 2024

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

NATIONAL TICKET

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH R. BIDEN JR Wilmington, DE

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

STEPHEN P LYONS Damascus, MD

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

JASON MICHAEL PALMER Baltimore, MD

S. RYAN WHITE Charleston Kanawha Co.

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

ARMANDO "MANDO" PEREZ-SERRATO Orange, CA

ELGINE HECETA McARDLE Wheeling Ohio Co.

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

DEAN PHILLIPS Wayzata, MN

MYCHAL S. SCHULZ Charleston Kanawha Co.

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

DON BLANKENSHIP Sprigg Mingo Co.

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

ZACHARY SHREWSBURY Princeton Mercer Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

GLENN ELLIOTT Wheeling Ohio Co.

JON D. HOOVER Hurricane Putnam Co.

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FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

PHILLIP M. STOWERS Hurricane Putnam Co.

PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III

JIM UMBERGER Lewisburg, WV Greenbrier Co.

Write-in, If Any

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

CHRIS BOB REED Charleston, WV Kanawha Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

STATE TICKET

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

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STEVE WILLIAMS Huntington Cabell Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

THORNTON COOPER South Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

MARY ANN ROEBUCK CLAYTOR St. Albans Kanawha Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

LINDA J. HUNT Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

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DEBORAH STILES Parsons Tucker Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

TERESA TORISEVA Wheeling Ohio Co.

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

RICHIE ROBB South Charleston Kanawha Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

DWAYNE RUSSELL Leon Mason Co.

SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 20TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

STEVE PATRICK Hurricane Putnam Co.

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

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HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH R. BIDEN JR Wilmington, DE

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

STEPHEN P LYONS Damascus, MD

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

JASON MICHAEL PALMER Baltimore, MD

S. RYAN WHITE Charleston Kanawha Co.

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

ARMANDO "MANDO" PEREZ-SERRATO Orange, CA

ELGINE HECETA McARDLE Wheeling Ohio Co.

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ZACHARY SHREWSBURY Princeton Mercer Co.

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

GLENN ELLIOTT Wheeling Ohio Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

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JON D. HOOVER Hurricane Putnam Co.

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PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III

CHRIS BOB REED Charleston, WV Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

STEVE WILLIAMS Huntington Cabell Co.

MARY ANN ROEBUCK CLAYTOR St. Albans Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

THORNTON COOPER South Charleston Kanawha Co.

RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

DEBORAH STILES Parsons Tucker Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

LINDA J. HUNT Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

TERESA TORISEVA Wheeling Ohio Co.

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

RICHIE ROBB South Charleston Kanawha Co.

JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

DWAYNE RUSSELL Leon Mason Co.

ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 20TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

STEVE PATRICK Hurricane Putnam Co.

LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

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VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
Class II	45.90
Class III	91.80
Class IV	91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

NATIONAL TICKET

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH R. BIDEN JR Wilmington, DE
STEPHEN P LYONS Damascus, MD

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

JASON MICHAEL PALMER Baltimore, MD
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DEAN PHILLIPS Wayzata, MN

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

S. RYAN WHITE Charleston Kanawha Co.
ELGINE HECETA McARDLE Wheeling Ohio Co.
MYCHAL S. SCHULZ Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

DON BLANKENSHIP Sprigg Mingo Co.
ZACHARY SHREWSBURY Princeton Mercer Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

GLENN ELLIOTT Wheeling Ohio Co.

Write-in, If Any

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

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PHILLIP M. STOWERS Hurricane Putnam Co.

PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

STEVE WILLIAMS Huntington Cabell Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

THORNTON COOPER South Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

MARY ANN ROEBUCK CLAYTOR St. Albans Kanawha Co.

RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

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RICHIE ROBB South Charleston Kanawha Co.

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

DWAYNE RUSSELL Leon Mason Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

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VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**



# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

### INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

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### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

### COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
(Vote for ONE)

### NATIONAL TICKET

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT  
(Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY  
(Vote for ONE)

- JOSEPH R. BIDEN JR  
Wilmington, DE
- STEPHEN P LYONS  
Damascus, MD
- JASON MICHAEL PALMER  
Baltimore, MD
- ARMANDO "MANDO" PEREZ-SERRATO  
Orange, CA
- DEAN PHILLIPS  
Wayzata, MN

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Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR  
(Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

FOR SHERIFF  
(Vote for ONE)

- DON BLANKENSHIP  
Sprigg Mingo Co.
- ZACHARY SHREWSBURY  
Princeton Mercer Co.
- GLENN ELLIOTT  
Wheeling Ohio Co.

- S. RYAN WHITE  
Charleston Kanawha Co.
- ELGINE HECETA McARDLE  
Wheeling Ohio Co.
- MYCHAL S. SCHULZ  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR ASSESSOR  
(Vote for ONE)

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR SURVEYOR  
(Vote for ONE)

- JIM UMBERGER  
Lewisburg, WV Greenbrier Co.
- CHRIS BOB REED  
Charleston, WV Kanawha Co.

- JON D. HOOVER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.
- PHILLIP M. STOWERS  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

### STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

- STEVE WILLIAMS  
Huntington Cabell Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

- PAUL SOWARDS  
Hurricane District III
- J. CHRISTIAN WELLS  
Winfield District I
- CHUCK HATFIELD  
Hurricane District III
- JACOB FERTIG  
Scott Depot District I

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE  
(Vote for ONE)

- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

- THORNTON COOPER  
South Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR AUDITOR  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

- MARY ANN ROEBUCK CLAYTOR  
St. Albans Kanawha Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

FOR TREASURER  
(Vote for ONE)

- RICHARD "RICK" WITT  
Red House Putnam Co.

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

### FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

- DEBORAH STILES  
Parsons Tucker Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

- MICHAEL WOLPERT  
Hurricane

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL  
(Vote for ONE)

- LINDA J. HUNT  
Winfield Putnam Co.

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Write-in, If Any

- TERESA TORISEVA  
Wheeling Ohio Co.
- RICHIE ROBB  
South Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR STATE SENATOR  
4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

- DWAYNE RUSSELL  
Leon Mason Co.

- JEAN ANNE LUIKART  
Winfield Putnam Co.

- STEVE PATRICK  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

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Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

- HALEY BUNN  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

- ERIC B. WHITNEY  
Winfield Putnam Co.

- SARAH WEAVER  
Buffalo Putnam Co.

- LARRY WINGO  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
Class II	45.90
Class III	91.80
Class IV	91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

○ CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ S. RYAN WHITE Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ ELGINE HECETA McARDLE Wheeling Ohio Co.

○ MYCHAL S. SCHULZ Charleston Kanawha Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ JON D. HOOVER Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ PHILLIP M. STOWERS Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

○ JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

○ RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

○ LINDA J. HUNT Winfield Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

○ JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

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○ SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.

○ LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

○ Write-in, If Any

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COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

○ PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III

○ J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

○ CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

○ JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

○ Write-in, If Any

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OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

○ MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

○ Write-in, If Any

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

NATIONAL TICKET

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH R. BIDEN JR Wilmington, DE

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

STEPHEN P LYONS Damascus, MD

Write-in, If Any

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

JASON MICHAEL PALMER Baltimore, MD

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

ARMANDO "MANDO" PEREZ-SERRATO Orange, CA

S. RYAN WHITE Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

DEAN PHILLIPS Wayzata, MN

ELGINE HECETA McARDLE Wheeling Ohio Co.

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

MYCHAL S. SCHULZ Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

DON BLANKENSHIP Sprigg Mingo Co.

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

ZACHARY SHREWSBURY Princeton Mercer Co.

Write-in, If Any

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

GLENN ELLIOTT Wheeling Ohio Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

JON D. HOOVER Hurricane Putnam Co.

PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III

JIM UMBERGER Lewisburg, WV Greenbrier Co

PHILLIP M. STOWERS Hurricane Putnam Co.

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

CHRIS BOB REED Charleston, WV Kanawha Co

Write-in, If Any

CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

STATE TICKET

Write-in, If Any

JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

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STEVE WILLIAMS Huntington Cabell Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

THORNTON COOPER South Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

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FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

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MARY ANN ROEBUCK CLAYTOR St. Albans Kanawha Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

DEBORAH STILES Parsons Tucker Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

LINDA J. HUNT Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

TERESA TORISEVA Wheeling Ohio Co.

Write-in, If Any

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RICHIE ROBB South Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

DWAYNE RUSSELL Leon Mason Co.

JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 18TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

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ANDREA MEADOWS Fraziers Bottom Mason Co.

Write-in, If Any

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

Write-in, If Any

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.

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SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

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<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

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The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

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- For the Levies
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**VOTE BOTH SIDES**



# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

**Putnam County, WV**

**Primary Election**

**May 14, 2024**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER**  
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**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS**

**COUNTY TICKET**

**NATIONAL TICKET**

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2**  
(Vote for ONE)

**FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER**  
(Vote for ONE)

**FOR PRESIDENT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**CHARLES S TRUMP IV**  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

**JOSEPH R. BIDEN JR**  
Wilmington, DE

**FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY**  
(Vote for ONE)

**STEPHEN P LYONS**  
Damascus, MD

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

**JASON MICHAEL PALMER**  
Baltimore, MD

Write-in, If Any

**FOR SHERIFF**  
(Vote for ONE)

**ARMANDO "MANDO" PEREZ-SERRATO**  
Orange, CA

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

**DEAN PHILLIPS**  
Wayzata, MN

**S. RYAN WHITE**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**FOR ASSESSOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

**FOR U.S. SENATOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

**ELGINE HECETA McARDLE**  
Wheeling Ohio Co.

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

**DON BLANKENSHIP**  
Sprigg Mingo Co.

**MYCHAL S. SCHULZ**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**FOR SURVEYOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

**ZACHARY SHREWSBURY**  
Princeton Mercer Co.

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

**GLENN ELLIOTT**  
Wheeling Ohio Co.

Write-in, If Any

**OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
(Vote For Not More Than TWO)  
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**JIM UMBERGER**  
Lewisburg, WV Greenbrier Co.

**JON D. HOOVER**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

**PAUL SOWARDS**  
Hurricane District III

**CHRIS BOB REED**  
Charleston, WV Kanawha Co.

**PHILLIP M. STOWERS**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

**J. CHRISTIAN WELLS**  
Winfield District I

**STATE TICKET**

**CHUCK HATFIELD**  
Hurricane District III

**FOR GOVERNOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

**JACOB FERTIG**  
Scott Depot District I

**STEVE WILLIAMS**  
Huntington Cabell Co.

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2**  
(Vote for ONE)

**FOR SECRETARY OF STATE**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

**THORNTON COOPER**  
South Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

**FOR AUDITOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

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**MARY ANN ROEBUCK CLAYTOR**  
St. Albans Kanawha Co.

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT**  
(Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

**FOR TREASURER**  
(Vote for ONE)

**RICHARD "RICK" WITT**  
Red House Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

Write-in, If Any

**FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE**  
(Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

**OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT**

**DEBORAH STILES**  
Parsons Tucker Co.

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL**  
(Vote for ONE)

**LINDA J. HUNT**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

**MICHAEL WOLPERT**  
Hurricane

**TERESA TORISEVA**  
Wheeling Ohio Co.

Write-in, If Any

**RICHIE ROBB**  
South Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

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**FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2**  
(Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

**DWAYNE RUSSELL**  
Leon Mason Co.

**JEAN ANNE LUIKART**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

**FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 21ST DELEGATE DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

**MICHAEL MOSTELLER II**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS**

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3**  
(Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**ERIC B. WHITNEY**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

**HALEY BUNN**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**SARAH WEAVER**  
Buffalo Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

**LARRY WINGO**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

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**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

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# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

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### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

- CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.
- 
- Write-in, If Any

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

- S. RYAN WHITE  
Charleston Kanawha Co.
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Wheeling Ohio Co.
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- Write-in, If Any

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

- JON D. HOOVER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.
- PHILLIP M. STOWERS  
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- Write-in, If Any

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- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER  
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- Write-in, If Any

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### COUNTY TICKET

#### FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

#### FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

#### FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

#### FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

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### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

#### NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

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Hurricane District III
- J. CHRISTIAN WELLS  
Winfield District I
- CHUCK HATFIELD  
Hurricane District III
- JACOB FERTIG  
Scott Depot District I
- 
- Write-in, If Any

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

#### FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

- MICHAEL WOLPERT  
Hurricane
- 
- Write-in, If Any

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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- STEVE WILLIAMS, Cabell Co.

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J. CHRISTIAN WELLS, District I

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

CHUCK HATFIELD, District III

- THORNTON COOPER, Kanawha Co.

- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER, Putnam Co.

JACOB FERTIG, District I

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

- MARY ANN ROEBUCK CLAYTOR, Kanawha Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT

Write-in, If Any

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

- RICHARD "RICK" WITT, Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

- DEBORAH STILES, Tucker Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1

MICHAEL WOLPERT, Hurricane

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

- LINDA J. HUNT, Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

- TERESA TORISEVA, Ohio Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

- RICHIE ROBB, Kanawha Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 21ST DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

JEAN ANNE LUIKART, Putnam Co.

- DWAYNE RUSSELL, Leon, Mason Co.

- MICHAEL MOSTELLER II, Hurricane, Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1

- HALEY BUNN, Charleston, Kanawha Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3

ERIC B. WHITNEY, Winfield, Putnam Co.

SARAH WEAVER, Buffalo, Putnam Co.

LARRY WINGO, Hurricane, Putnam Co.

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

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CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

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### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

### FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

MICHAEL WOLPERT  
Hurricane

Write-in, If Any

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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COUNTY TICKET

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH R. BIDEN JR Wilmington, DE

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

STEPHEN P LYONS Damascus, MD

Write-in, If Any

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

JASON MICHAEL PALMER Baltimore, MD

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

DEAN PHILLIPS Wayzata, MN

ELGINE HECETA McARDLE Wheeling Ohio Co.

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FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

DON BLANKENSHIP Sprigg Mingo Co.

Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

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FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

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J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

THORNTON COOPER South Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

MARY ANN ROEBUCK CLAYTOR St. Albans Kanawha Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

DEBORAH STILES Parsons Tucker Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

LINDA J. HUNT Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

TERESA TORISEVA Wheeling Ohio Co.

Write-in, If Any

RICHIE ROBB South Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR STATE SENATOR 8TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.

HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.

LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
Class II	45.90
Class III	91.80
Class IV	91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

## INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

S. RYAN WHITE  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

ELGINE HECETA McARDLE  
Wheeling Ohio Co.

MYCHAL S. SCHULZ  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

JON D. HOOVER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

PHILLIP M. STOWERS  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

RICHARD "RICK" WITT  
Red House Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

LINDA J. HUNT  
Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

JEAN ANNE LUIKART  
Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

ERIC B. WHITNEY  
Winfield Putnam Co.

SARAH WEAVER  
Buffalo Putnam Co.

LARRY WINGO  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

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### COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR SHERIFF  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR ASSESSOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR SURVEYOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION  
(Vote For Not More Than TWO)  
Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

PAUL SOWARDS  
Hurricane District III

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS  
Winfield District I

CHUCK HATFIELD  
Hurricane District III

JACOB FERTIG  
Scott Depot District I

Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

#### FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

MICHAEL WOLPERT  
Hurricane

Write-in, If Any

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VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

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- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**



OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

NATIONAL TICKET

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH R. BIDEN JR Wilmington, DE

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

STEPHEN P LYONS Damascus, MD

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

JASON MICHAEL PALMER Baltimore, MD

S. RYAN WHITE Charleston Kanawha Co.

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

ARMANDO "MANDO" PEREZ-SERRATO Orange, CA

ELGINE HECETA McARDLE Wheeling Ohio Co.

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

DEAN PHILLIPS Wayzata, MN

MYCHAL S. SCHULZ Charleston Kanawha Co.

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

DON BLANKENSHIP Sprigg Mingo Co.

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

ZACHARY SHREWSBURY Princeton Mercer Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

GLENN ELLIOTT Wheeling Ohio Co.

JON D. HOOVER Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

PHILLIP M. STOWERS Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

JIM UMBERGER Lewisburg, WV Greenbrier Co.

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

CHRIS BOB REED Charleston, WV Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

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STATE TICKET

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FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III

STEVE WILLIAMS Huntington Cabell Co.

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

THORNTON COOPER South Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

MARY ANN ROEBUCK CLAYTOR St. Albans Kanawha Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

DEBORAH STILES Parsons Tucker Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

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RICHIE ROBB South Charleston Kanawha Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR STATE SENATOR 8TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

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FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.

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LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

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VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

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Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

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### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

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(Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**



# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

## INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

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### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

S. RYAN WHITE  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

ELGINE HECETA McARDLE  
Wheeling Ohio Co.

MYCHAL S. SCHULZ  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

JON D. HOOVER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

PHILLIP M. STOWERS  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

RICHARD "RICK" WITT  
Red House Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

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Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

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Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

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Winfield Putnam Co.

SARAH WEAVER  
Buffalo Putnam Co.

LARRY WINGO  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

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### COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR SHERIFF  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR ASSESSOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR SURVEYOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION  
(Vote For Not More Than TWO)  
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JACOB FERTIG  
Scott Depot District I

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

#### FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

MICHAEL WOLPERT  
Hurricane

Write-in, If Any

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

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- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

### INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

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### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

- S. RYAN WHITE  
Charleston Kanawha Co.
- ELGINE HECETA McARDLE  
Wheeling Ohio Co.
- MYCHAL S. SCHULZ  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

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- JON D. HOOVER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.
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Hurricane Putnam Co.

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

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### NATIONAL TICKET

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

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Lexington, MA

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

### STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

- CHASE LINKO-LOOPER  
Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR STATE SENATOR 8TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

- HALEY BUNN  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

- CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

### COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

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### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

- MICHAEL WOLPERT  
Hurricane

Write-in, If Any

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VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

COUNTY TICKET

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

NATIONAL TICKET

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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Write-in, If Any

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

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FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

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FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

- RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

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- LINDA J. HUNT Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR STATE SENATOR 8TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

- JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

- ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.
SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.
LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

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**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
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<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
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The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

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- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**



# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

### INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

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### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

- S. RYAN WHITE  
Charleston Kanawha Co.
- ELGINE HECETA McARDLE  
Wheeling Ohio Co.
- MYCHAL S. SCHULZ  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

### COUNTY TICKET

FOR SHERIFF  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR ASSESSOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR SURVEYOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION  
(Vote For Not More Than TWO)  
Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

PAUL SOWARDS  
Hurricane District III

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS  
Winfield District I

CHUCK HATFIELD  
Hurricane District III

JACOB FERTIG  
Scott Depot District I

- JON D. HOOVER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.
- PHILLIP M. STOWERS  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

- RICHARD "RICK" WITT  
Red House Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

### FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

MICHAEL WOLPERT  
Hurricane

Write-in, If Any

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- LINDA J. HUNT  
Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

- JEAN ANNE LUIKART  
Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

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- ERIC B. WHITNEY  
Winfield Putnam Co.
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Buffalo Putnam Co.
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Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

- HALEY BUNN  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

- CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

### COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

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OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

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May 14, 2024

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

COUNTY TICKET

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

NATIONAL TICKET

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

S. RYAN WHITE Charleston Kanawha Co.
ELGINE HECETA McARDLE Wheeling Ohio Co.

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

JILL STEIN Lexington, MA

MYCHAL S. SCHULZ Charleston Kanawha Co.

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III

CHASE LINKO-LOOPER Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

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FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

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FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

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COUNTY TICKET

Write-in, If Any

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

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VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

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### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

- S. RYAN WHITE  
Charleston Kanawha Co.
- ELGINE HECETA McARDLE  
Wheeling Ohio Co.
- MYCHAL S. SCHULZ  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

### COUNTY TICKET

FOR SHERIFF  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR ASSESSOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR SURVEYOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

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(Vote For Not More Than TWO)  
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Winfield District I

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Hurricane District III

JACOB FERTIG  
Scott Depot District I

Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

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Hurricane Putnam Co.
- PHILLIP M. STOWERS  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

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- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

- RICHARD "RICK" WITT  
Red House Putnam Co.

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Winfield Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

- JEAN ANNE LUIKART  
Winfield Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

- ERIC B. WHITNEY  
Winfield Putnam Co.
- SARAH WEAVER  
Buffalo Putnam Co.
- LARRY WINGO  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

### NATIONAL TICKET

FOR PRESIDENT  
(Vote for ONE)

JILL STEIN  
Lexington, MA

FOR U.S. SENATOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

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FOR GOVERNOR  
(Vote for ONE)

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FOR SECRETARY OF STATE  
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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

HALEY BUNN  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

### COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

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**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
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NATIONAL TICKET

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Write-in, If Any

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STATE TICKET

Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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Write-in, If Any

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

LINDA J. HUNT Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 21ST DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

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COUNTY TICKET

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**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

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(Vote for ONE)

### NATIONAL TICKET

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT  
(Vote for ONE)

- S. RYAN WHITE  
Charleston Kanawha Co.
- ELGINE HECETA McARDLE  
Wheeling Ohio Co.
- MYCHAL S. SCHULZ  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR ASSESSOR  
(Vote for ONE)

JILL STEIN  
Lexington, MA

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR  
(Vote for ONE)

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FOR SURVEYOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JON D. HOOVER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.
- PHILLIP M. STOWERS  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION  
(Vote For Not More Than TWO)  
Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

### STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

PAUL SOWARDS  
Hurricane District III

CHASE LINKO-LOOPER  
Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS  
Winfield District I

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE  
(Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHUCK HATFIELD  
Hurricane District III

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

JACOB FERTIG  
Scott Depot District I

FOR AUDITOR  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR TREASURER  
(Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE  
(Vote for ONE)

- RICHARD "RICK" WITT  
Red House Putnam Co.

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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Write-in, If Any

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR  
WESTERN DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL  
(Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

MICHAEL WOLPERT  
Hurricane

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- LINDA J. HUNT  
Winfield Putnam Co.

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Write-in, If Any

FOR STATE SENATOR  
4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES  
21ST DELEGATE DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JEAN ANNE LUIKART  
Winfield Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

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Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

HALEY BUNN  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

- ERIC B. WHITNEY  
Winfield Putnam Co.
- SARAH WEAVER  
Buffalo Putnam Co.
- LARRY WINGO  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

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Write-in, If Any

### COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
Class II	45.90
Class III	91.80
Class IV	91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

**Putnam County, WV**

**Primary Election**

**May 14, 2024**

<p><b>INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER</b> To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.</p>	<p><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS</b></p>	<p><b>COUNTY TICKET</b></p>
	<p><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1</b> (Vote for ONE)</p>	<p><b>FOR SHERIFF</b> (Vote for ONE)</p>
<b>NATIONAL TICKET</b>		<b>NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED</b>
<b>FOR PRESIDENT</b> (Vote for ONE)	<p><input type="radio"/> <b>S. RYAN WHITE</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>ELGINE HECETA McARDLE</b> Wheeling Ohio Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>MYCHAL S. SCHULZ</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.</p>	<b>FOR ASSESSOR</b> (Vote for ONE)
<input type="radio"/> <b>JILL STEIN</b> Lexington, MA		<b>NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED</b>
<b>FOR U.S. SENATOR</b> (Vote for ONE)	<p><input type="radio"/> _____ Write-in, If Any</p>	<b>FOR SURVEYOR</b> (Vote for ONE)
<b>NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED</b>		<b>NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED</b>
<b>FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT</b> (Vote for ONE)	<p><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1</b> (Vote for ONE)</p>	<b>OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION</b>
<b>NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED</b>	<p><input type="radio"/> <b>JON D. HOOVER</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>PHILLIP M. STOWERS</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p>	<b>NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION</b> (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)
<b>STATE TICKET</b>		
<b>FOR GOVERNOR</b> (Vote for ONE)	<p><input type="radio"/> _____ Write-in, If Any</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> <b>PAUL SOWARDS</b> Hurricane District III</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>J. CHRISTIAN WELLS</b> Winfield District I</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>CHUCK HATFIELD</b> Hurricane District III</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>JACOB FERTIG</b> Scott Depot District I</p>
<input type="radio"/> <b>CHASE LINKO-LOOPER</b> Saint Albans Kanawha Co.		
<b>FOR SECRETARY OF STATE</b> (Vote for ONE)	<p><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2</b> (Vote for ONE)</p>	
<b>NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED</b>	<p><input type="radio"/> <b>JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p>	
<b>FOR AUDITOR</b> (Vote for ONE)	<p><input type="radio"/> _____ Write-in, If Any</p>	
<b>NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED</b>		
<b>FOR TREASURER</b> (Vote for ONE)	<p><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT</b> (Vote for ONE)</p>	
<b>NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED</b>	<p><input type="radio"/> <b>RICHARD "RICK" WITT</b> Red House Putnam Co.</p>	<b>OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT</b>
<b>FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE</b> (Vote for ONE)	<p><input type="radio"/> _____ Write-in, If Any</p>	<b>FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT</b> (Vote for ONE)
<b>NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED</b>		<p><input type="radio"/> <b>MICHAEL WOLPERT</b> Hurricane</p>
<b>FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL</b> (Vote for ONE)	<p><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1</b> (Vote for ONE)</p>	
<b>NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED</b>	<p><input type="radio"/> <b>LINDA J. HUNT</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p>	<p><input type="radio"/> _____ Write-in, If Any</p>
<b>FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT</b> (Vote for ONE)	<p><input type="radio"/> _____ Write-in, If Any</p>	
<b>NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED</b>		
<b>FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 21ST DELEGATE DISTRICT</b> (Vote for ONE)	<p><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2</b> (Vote for ONE)</p>	
<b>NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED</b>	<p><input type="radio"/> <b>JEAN ANNE LUIKART</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p>	
<b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS</b>		
<b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1</b> (Vote for ONE)	<p><input type="radio"/> _____ Write-in, If Any</p>	
<input type="radio"/> <b>HALEY BUNN</b> Charleston Kanawha Co.	<p><b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3</b> (Vote for ONE)</p>	
<input type="radio"/> _____ Write-in, If Any	<p><input type="radio"/> <b>ERIC B. WHITNEY</b> Winfield Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>SARAH WEAVER</b> Buffalo Putnam Co.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>LARRY WINGO</b> Hurricane Putnam Co.</p>	
<b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2</b> (Vote for ONE)	<p><input type="radio"/> _____ Write-in, If Any</p>	
<input type="radio"/> <b>CHARLES S TRUMP IV</b> Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.		
<input type="radio"/> _____ Write-in, If Any	<b>COUNTY TICKET</b>	
	<b>FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER</b> (Vote for ONE)	
	<b>NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED</b>	
	<b>FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY</b> (Vote for ONE)	
	<b>NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED</b>	
	<b>VOTE BOTH SIDES</b>	

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**



# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

## INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

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### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

- S. RYAN WHITE  
Charleston Kanawha Co.
- ELGINE HECETA McARDLE  
Wheeling Ohio Co.
- MYCHAL S. SCHULZ  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

### COUNTY TICKET

FOR SHERIFF  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR ASSESSOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR SURVEYOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION  
(Vote For Not More Than TWO)  
Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

PAUL SOWARDS  
Hurricane District III

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS  
Winfield District I

CHUCK HATFIELD  
Hurricane District III

JACOB FERTIG  
Scott Depot District I

Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

- JON D. HOOVER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.
- PHILLIP M. STOWERS  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

- RICHARD "RICK" WITT  
Red House Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

- LINDA J. HUNT  
Winfield Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

- JEAN ANNE LUIKART  
Winfield Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

- ERIC B. WHITNEY  
Winfield Putnam Co.
- SARAH WEAVER  
Buffalo Putnam Co.
- LARRY WINGO  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

### NATIONAL TICKET

FOR PRESIDENT  
(Vote for ONE)

JILL STEIN  
Lexington, MA

FOR U.S. SENATOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR GOVERNOR  
(Vote for ONE)

CHASE LINKO-LOOPER  
Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR AUDITOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR TREASURER  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 21ST DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

HALEY BUNN  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

### COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
Class II	45.90
Class III	91.80
Class IV	91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

## INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

### COUNTY TICKET

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

### NATIONAL TICKET

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

- S. RYAN WHITE  
Charleston Kanawha Co.
- ELGINE HECETA McARDLE  
Wheeling Ohio Co.
- MYCHAL S. SCHULZ  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

JILL STEIN  
Lexington, MA

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JON D. HOOVER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.
- PHILLIP M. STOWERS  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

### STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

PAUL SOWARDS  
Hurricane District III

CHASE LINKO-LOOPER  
Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS  
Winfield District I

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHUCK HATFIELD  
Hurricane District III

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

JACOB FERTIG  
Scott Depot District I

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- RICHARD "RICK" WITT  
Red House Putnam Co.

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

MICHAEL WOLPERT  
Hurricane

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- LINDA J. HUNT  
Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 21ST DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JEAN ANNE LUIKART  
Winfield Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

HALEY BUNN  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

- ERIC B. WHITNEY  
Winfield Putnam Co.
- SARAH WEAVER  
Buffalo Putnam Co.
- LARRY WINGO  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

### COUNTY TICKET

### VOTE BOTH SIDES

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
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<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

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For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

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- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER
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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

COUNTY TICKET

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

NATIONAL TICKET

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

S. RYAN WHITE Charleston Kanawha Co.
ELGINE HECETA McARDLE Wheeling Ohio Co.

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

JILL STEIN Lexington, MA

MYCHAL S. SCHULZ Charleston Kanawha Co.

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

JON D. HOOVER Hurricane Putnam Co.
PHILLIP M. STOWERS Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III
J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

CHASE LINKO-LOOPER Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III
JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

LINDA J. HUNT Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 21ST DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.
SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.
LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

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COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

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VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

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ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

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AMOUNT FOR  
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<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

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- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**



# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

## INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

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### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

### COUNTY TICKET

FOR SHERIFF  
(Vote for ONE)

### NATIONAL TICKET

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT  
(Vote for ONE)

- S. RYAN WHITE  
Charleston Kanawha Co.
- ELGINE HECETA McARDLE  
Wheeling Ohio Co.
- MYCHAL S. SCHULZ  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR ASSESSOR  
(Vote for ONE)

JILL STEIN  
Lexington, MA

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

FOR SURVEYOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JON D. HOOVER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.
- PHILLIP M. STOWERS  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION  
(Vote For Not More Than TWO)  
Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

### STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

PAUL SOWARDS  
Hurricane District III

CHASE LINKO-LOOPER  
Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS  
Winfield District I

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE  
(Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHUCK HATFIELD  
Hurricane District III

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

JACOB FERTIG  
Scott Depot District I

FOR AUDITOR  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR TREASURER  
(Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE  
(Vote for ONE)

- RICHARD "RICK" WITT  
Red House Putnam Co.

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR  
WESTERN DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL  
(Vote for ONE)

- LINDA J. HUNT  
Winfield Putnam Co.

MICHAEL WOLPERT  
Hurricane

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR STATE SENATOR  
4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES  
21ST DELEGATE DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JEAN ANNE LUIKART  
Winfield Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

HALEY BUNN  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

- ERIC B. WHITNEY  
Winfield Putnam Co.

- SARAH WEAVER  
Buffalo Putnam Co.

- LARRY WINGO  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

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Write-in, If Any

### COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

COUNTY TICKET

NATIONAL TICKET

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

- S. RYAN WHITE Charleston Kanawha Co.
ELGINE HECETA McARDLE Wheeling Ohio Co.
MYCHAL S. SCHULZ Charleston Kanawha Co.

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

JILL STEIN Lexington, MA

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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Write-in, If Any

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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- JON D. HOOVER Hurricane Putnam Co.
PHILLIP M. STOWERS Hurricane Putnam Co.

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

STATE TICKET

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III

CHASE LINKO-LOOPER Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

- RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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- LINDA J. HUNT Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 20TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

- JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

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Write-in, If Any

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

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COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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Write-in, If Any

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
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SERVICES**

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# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

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### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

### COUNTY TICKET

FOR SHERIFF  
(Vote for ONE)

### NATIONAL TICKET

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT  
(Vote for ONE)

- S. RYAN WHITE  
Charleston Kanawha Co.
- ELGINE HECETA McARDLE  
Wheeling Ohio Co.
- MYCHAL S. SCHULZ  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR ASSESSOR  
(Vote for ONE)

JILL STEIN  
Lexington, MA

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

FOR SURVEYOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JON D. HOOVER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.
- PHILLIP M. STOWERS  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION  
(Vote For Not More Than TWO)  
Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

### STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

PAUL SOWARDS  
Hurricane District III

CHASE LINKO-LOOPER  
Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS  
Winfield District I

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE  
(Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHUCK HATFIELD  
Hurricane District III

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

JACOB FERTIG  
Scott Depot District I

FOR AUDITOR  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR TREASURER  
(Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE  
(Vote for ONE)

- RICHARD "RICK" WITT  
Red House Putnam Co.

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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Write-in, If Any

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR  
WESTERN DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL  
(Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

MICHAEL WOLPERT  
Hurricane

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- LINDA J. HUNT  
Winfield Putnam Co.

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Write-in, If Any

FOR STATE SENATOR  
4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES  
20TH DELEGATE DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JEAN ANNE LUIKART  
Winfield Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

HALEY BUNN  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

- ERIC B. WHITNEY  
Winfield Putnam Co.
- SARAH WEAVER  
Buffalo Putnam Co.
- LARRY WINGO  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

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Write-in, If Any

### COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
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<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

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The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

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Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

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### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

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- S. RYAN WHITE  
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### COUNTY TICKET

FOR SHERIFF  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR ASSESSOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR SURVEYOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

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Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

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- RICHARD "RICK" WITT  
Red House Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

#### FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

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Hurricane

Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

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- HALEY BUNN  
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Write-in, If Any

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Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

### COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
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FOR SHERIFF  
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(Vote for ONE)

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### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR  
WESTERN DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

MICHAEL WOLPERT  
Hurricane

Write-in, If Any

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### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

- JON D. HOOVER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.
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Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

- RICHARD "RICK" WITT  
Red House Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

- LINDA J. HUNT  
Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

- JEAN ANNE LUIKART  
Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

- ERIC B. WHITNEY  
Winfield Putnam Co.
- SARAH WEAVER  
Buffalo Putnam Co.
- LARRY WINGO  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

- HALEY BUNN  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

- CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

### COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
Class II	45.90
Class III	91.80
Class IV	91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER
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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

COUNTY TICKET

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

NATIONAL TICKET

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

S. RYAN WHITE Charleston Kanawha Co.
ELGINE HECETA McARDLE Wheeling Ohio Co.

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

JILL STEIN Lexington, MA

MYCHAL S. SCHULZ Charleston Kanawha Co.

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

JON D. HOOVER Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

STATE TICKET

PHILLIP M. STOWERS Hurricane Putnam Co.

PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

CHASE LINKO-LOOPER Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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Write-in, If Any

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

LINDA J. HUNT Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR STATE SENATOR 8TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

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SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

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COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**



# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

## INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

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### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

### COUNTY TICKET

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

### NATIONAL TICKET

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

- S. RYAN WHITE  
Charleston Kanawha Co.
- ELGINE HECETA McARDLE  
Wheeling Ohio Co.
- MYCHAL S. SCHULZ  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

JILL STEIN  
Lexington, MA

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JON D. HOOVER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.
- PHILLIP M. STOWERS  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

### STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

PAUL SOWARDS  
Hurricane District III

CHASE LINKO-LOOPER  
Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS  
Winfield District I

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHUCK HATFIELD  
Hurricane District III

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

JACOB FERTIG  
Scott Depot District I

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

- RICHARD "RICK" WITT  
Red House Putnam Co.

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

MICHAEL WOLPERT  
Hurricane

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

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FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

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FOR STATE SENATOR 8TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

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FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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Winfield Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

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Write-in, If Any

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HALEY BUNN  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

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Hurricane Putnam Co.

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Write-in, If Any

CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

### COUNTY TICKET

Write-in, If Any

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

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The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

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For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

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- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER
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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

COUNTY TICKET

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

NATIONAL TICKET

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

S. RYAN WHITE Charleston Kanawha Co.
ELGINE HECETA McARDLE Wheeling Ohio Co.

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

JILL STEIN Lexington, MA

MYCHAL S. SCHULZ Charleston Kanawha Co.

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

JON D. HOOVER Hurricane Putnam Co.
PHILLIP M. STOWERS Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

STATE TICKET

Write-in, If Any

PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III
J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III
JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

CHASE LINKO-LOOPER Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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Write-in, If Any

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

LINDA J. HUNT Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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FOR STATE SENATOR 8TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.
SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.
LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
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<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
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# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

## INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

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### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

- S. RYAN WHITE  
Charleston Kanawha Co.
- ELGINE HECETA McARDLE  
Wheeling Ohio Co.
- MYCHAL S. SCHULZ  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

### COUNTY TICKET

FOR SHERIFF  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR ASSESSOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR SURVEYOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

- JON D. HOOVER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.
- PHILLIP M. STOWERS  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION  
(Vote For Not More Than TWO)  
Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

- PAUL SOWARDS  
Hurricane District III
- J. CHRISTIAN WELLS  
Winfield District I
- CHUCK HATFIELD  
Hurricane District III
- JACOB FERTIG  
Scott Depot District I

### NATIONAL TICKET

FOR PRESIDENT  
(Vote for ONE)

- JILL STEIN  
Lexington, MA

FOR U.S. SENATOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

### STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR  
(Vote for ONE)

- CHASE LINKO-LOOPER  
Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR AUDITOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR TREASURER  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR STATE SENATOR 8TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

- HALEY BUNN  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

- CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

- RICHARD "RICK" WITT  
Red House Putnam Co.

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Winfield Putnam Co.

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Winfield Putnam Co.

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Winfield Putnam Co.
- SARAH WEAVER  
Buffalo Putnam Co.
- LARRY WINGO  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

### COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

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- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**



# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

## INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

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### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

- S. RYAN WHITE  
Charleston Kanawha Co.
- ELGINE HECETA McARDLE  
Wheeling Ohio Co.
- MYCHAL S. SCHULZ  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

- JON D. HOOVER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.
- PHILLIP M. STOWERS  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

- RICHARD "RICK" WITT  
Red House Putnam Co.

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

- LINDA J. HUNT  
Winfield Putnam Co.

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

- JEAN ANNE LUIKART  
Winfield Putnam Co.

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

- ERIC B. WHITNEY  
Winfield Putnam Co.
- SARAH WEAVER  
Buffalo Putnam Co.
- LARRY WINGO  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

- CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

### COUNTY TICKET

FOR SHERIFF  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR ASSESSOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR SURVEYOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION  
(Vote For Not More Than TWO)  
Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

PAUL SOWARDS  
Hurricane District III

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS  
Winfield District I

CHUCK HATFIELD  
Hurricane District III

JACOB FERTIG  
Scott Depot District I

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

#### FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

MICHAEL WOLPERT  
Hurricane

Write-in, If Any

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
Class II	45.90
Class III	91.80
Class IV	91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

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- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

### INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

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### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

### COUNTY TICKET

FOR SHERIFF  
(Vote for ONE)

### NATIONAL TICKET

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT  
(Vote for ONE)

- S. RYAN WHITE  
Charleston Kanawha Co.
- ELGINE HECETA McARDLE  
Wheeling Ohio Co.
- MYCHAL S. SCHULZ  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR ASSESSOR  
(Vote for ONE)

JILL STEIN  
Lexington, MA

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

FOR SURVEYOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JON D. HOOVER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.
- PHILLIP M. STOWERS  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION  
(Vote For Not More Than TWO)  
Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

### STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

PAUL SOWARDS  
Hurricane District III

CHASE LINKO-LOOPER  
Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS  
Winfield District I

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE  
(Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHUCK HATFIELD  
Hurricane District III

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

JACOB FERTIG  
Scott Depot District I

FOR AUDITOR  
(Vote for ONE)

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR TREASURER  
(Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE  
(Vote for ONE)

- RICHARD "RICK" WITT  
Red House Putnam Co.

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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Write-in, If Any

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR  
WESTERN DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL  
(Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

MICHAEL WOLPERT  
Hurricane

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- LINDA J. HUNT  
Winfield Putnam Co.

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Write-in, If Any

FOR STATE SENATOR  
8TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES  
19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JEAN ANNE LUIKART  
Winfield Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1  
(Vote for ONE)

- ERIC B. WHITNEY  
Winfield Putnam Co.
- SARAH WEAVER  
Buffalo Putnam Co.
- LARRY WINGO  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

HALEY BUNN  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

### COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**CITY OF NITRO MUNICIPAL  
OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2024, July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, and July 1, 2028 for the following purposes:

A. Street Maintenance and Repair	\$34,959.50
B. Parks and Recreation	\$25,946.94
C. Firemen's Wages	\$70,027.87
D. Street Lighting	\$41,610.89
E. Policeman's Wages	\$136,370.01
F. Library	\$46,917.64
G. Fire Hydrant Rental	\$12,735.25

According to the Order of the City Council entered February 6, 2024.

The additional Levy shall be on Class I property 3.65 cents, Class II property 7.30 cents, Class IV property 14.60 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation.

- For the Levy
- Against the Levy

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER
To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

COUNTY TICKET

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

NATIONAL TICKET

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

S. RYAN WHITE Charleston Kanawha Co.
ELGINE HECETA McARDLE Wheeling Ohio Co.

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

JILL STEIN Lexington, MA

MYCHAL S. SCHULZ Charleston Kanawha Co.

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

JON D. HOOVER Hurricane Putnam Co.
PHILLIP M. STOWERS Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III

CHASE LINKO-LOOPER Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III
JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

LINDA J. HUNT Winfield Putnam Co.

FOR STATE SENATOR 8TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.

LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

COUNTY TICKET

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

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VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
Class II	45.90
Class III	91.80
Class IV	91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**



OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER
To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

COUNTY TICKET

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

NATIONAL TICKET

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

S. RYAN WHITE Charleston Kanawha Co.
ELGINE HECETA McARDLE Wheeling Ohio Co.

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

JILL STEIN Lexington, MA

MYCHAL S. SCHULZ Charleston Kanawha Co.

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

JON D. HOOVER Hurricane Putnam Co.
PHILLIP M. STOWERS Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III

CHASE LINKO-LOOPER Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III
JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

LINDA J. HUNT Winfield Putnam Co.

FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 21ST DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

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SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.

LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

COUNTY TICKET

Write-in, If Any

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

VOTE BOTH SIDES

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

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<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
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<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

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For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

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- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER
To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

COUNTY TICKET

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

NATIONAL TICKET

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

S. RYAN WHITE Charleston Kanawha Co.
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FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

JON D. HOOVER Hurricane Putnam Co.
PHILLIP M. STOWERS Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

STATE TICKET

Write-in, If Any

PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

CHASE LINKO-LOOPER Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

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FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 20TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

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COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

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### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

- S. RYAN WHITE  
Charleston Kanawha Co.
- ELGINE HECETA McARDLE  
Wheeling Ohio Co.
- MYCHAL S. SCHULZ  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

### COUNTY TICKET

FOR SHERIFF  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR ASSESSOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR SURVEYOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION  
(Vote For Not More Than TWO)  
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PAUL SOWARDS  
Hurricane District III

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS  
Winfield District I

CHUCK HATFIELD  
Hurricane District III

JACOB FERTIG  
Scott Depot District I

Write-in, If Any

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- JON D. HOOVER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.
- PHILLIP M. STOWERS  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

- RICHARD "RICK" WITT  
Red House Putnam Co.

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Winfield Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

- JEAN ANNE LUIKART  
Winfield Putnam Co.

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- ERIC B. WHITNEY  
Winfield Putnam Co.
- SARAH WEAVER  
Buffalo Putnam Co.
- LARRY WINGO  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

### NATIONAL TICKET

FOR PRESIDENT  
(Vote for ONE)

JILL STEIN  
Lexington, MA

FOR U.S. SENATOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR GOVERNOR  
(Vote for ONE)

CHASE LINKO-LOOPER  
Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR AUDITOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR TREASURER  
(Vote for ONE)

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(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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HALEY BUNN  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

### COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

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**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
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NATIONAL TICKET

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Write-in, If Any

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FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

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CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

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OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

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NATIONAL TICKET

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Write-in, If Any

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CHASE LINKO-LOOPER Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 20TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.

SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.

LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

COUNTY TICKET

Write-in, If Any

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

VOTE BOTH SIDES

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
Class II	45.90
Class III	91.80
Class IV	91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III
JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 20TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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**VOTE BOTH SIDES**



# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

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### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

### COUNTY TICKET

FOR SHERIFF  
(Vote for ONE)

### NATIONAL TICKET

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT  
(Vote for ONE)

- S. RYAN WHITE  
Charleston Kanawha Co.
- ELGINE HECETA McARDLE  
Wheeling Ohio Co.
- MYCHAL S. SCHULZ  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR ASSESSOR  
(Vote for ONE)

JILL STEIN  
Lexington, MA

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR  
(Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR SURVEYOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JON D. HOOVER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.
- PHILLIP M. STOWERS  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION  
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### STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR  
(Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

PAUL SOWARDS  
Hurricane District III

CHASE LINKO-LOOPER  
Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS  
Winfield District I

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE  
(Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHUCK HATFIELD  
Hurricane District III

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

JACOB FERTIG  
Scott Depot District I

FOR AUDITOR  
(Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR TREASURER  
(Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE  
(Vote for ONE)

- RICHARD "RICK" WITT  
Red House Putnam Co.

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR  
WESTERN DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL  
(Vote for ONE)

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MICHAEL WOLPERT  
Hurricane

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- LINDA J. HUNT  
Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR STATE SENATOR  
4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES  
19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JEAN ANNE LUIKART  
Winfield Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

HALEY BUNN  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

- ERIC B. WHITNEY  
Winfield Putnam Co.
- SARAH WEAVER  
Buffalo Putnam Co.
- LARRY WINGO  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

### COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
Class II	45.90
Class III	91.80
Class IV	91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

**Putnam County, WV**

**Primary Election**

**May 14, 2024**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER**

To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS**

**COUNTY TICKET**

**NATIONAL TICKET**

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**FOR SHERIFF**  
(Vote for ONE)

**FOR PRESIDENT**  
(Vote for ONE)

- S. RYAN WHITE**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.
- ELGINE HECETA McARDLE**  
Wheeling Ohio Co.
- MYCHAL S. SCHULZ**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

**JILL STEIN**  
Lexington, MA

**FOR ASSESSOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

**FOR U.S. SENATOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

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**FOR SURVEYOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

**FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

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- JON D. HOOVER**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.
- PHILLIP M. STOWERS**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

**OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**STATE TICKET**

**NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
(Vote For Not More Than TWO)  
Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

**FOR GOVERNOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

**PAUL SOWARDS**  
Hurricane District III

**CHASE LINKO-LOOPER**  
Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

**J. CHRISTIAN WELLS**  
Winfield District I

**FOR SECRETARY OF STATE**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2**  
(Vote for ONE)

**CHUCK HATFIELD**  
Hurricane District III

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

**JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

**JACOB FERTIG**  
Scott Depot District I

**FOR AUDITOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT**  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

**FOR TREASURER**  
(Vote for ONE)

**RICHARD "RICK" WITT**  
Red House Putnam Co.

**OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT**

**FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE**  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

**FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

**MICHAEL WOLPERT**  
Hurricane

**FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

**LINDA J. HUNT**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

**FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2**  
(Vote for ONE)

**FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 20TH DELEGATE DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JEAN ANNE LUIKART**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS**

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

- ERIC B. WHITNEY**  
Winfield Putnam Co.
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Hurricane Putnam Co.

**HALEY BUNN**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2**  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

**CHARLES S TRUMP IV**  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

**COUNTY TICKET**

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Write-in, If Any

**FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

**FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

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**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

**Putnam County, WV**

**Primary Election**

**May 14, 2024**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER**

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**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS**

**COUNTY TICKET**

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**FOR SHERIFF**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NATIONAL TICKET**

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

**FOR PRESIDENT**  
(Vote for ONE)

- S. RYAN WHITE**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.
- ELGINE HECETA McARDLE**  
Wheeling Ohio Co.
- MYCHAL S. SCHULZ**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**FOR ASSESSOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

**JILL STEIN**  
Lexington, MA

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

**FOR U.S. SENATOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

**FOR SURVEYOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

**FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

**OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

- JON D. HOOVER**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.
- PHILLIP M. STOWERS**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

**NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
(Vote For Not More Than TWO)  
Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

**STATE TICKET**

**FOR GOVERNOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

**PAUL SOWARDS**  
Hurricane District III

**CHASE LINKO-LOOPER**  
Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

**J. CHRISTIAN WELLS**  
Winfield District I

**FOR SECRETARY OF STATE**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2**  
(Vote for ONE)

**CHUCK HATFIELD**  
Hurricane District III

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

**JACOB FERTIG**  
Scott Depot District I

**FOR AUDITOR**  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

**FOR TREASURER**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT**  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

- RICHARD "RICK" WITT**  
Red House Putnam Co.

**OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT**

**FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE**  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

**FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

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**MICHAEL WOLPERT**  
Hurricane

**FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

- LINDA J. HUNT**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

**FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

**FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 20TH DELEGATE DISTRICT**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

- JEAN ANNE LUIKART**  
Winfield Putnam Co.

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS**

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1**  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

**HALEY BUNN**  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2**  
(Vote for ONE)

- ERIC B. WHITNEY**  
Winfield Putnam Co.
- SARAH WEAVER**  
Buffalo Putnam Co.
- LARRY WINGO**  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

**CHARLES S TRUMP IV**  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

**COUNTY TICKET**

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

**FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

**FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY**  
(Vote for ONE)

**NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED**

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

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<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
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<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
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In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

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For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

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**VOTE BOTH SIDES**



OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

COUNTY TICKET

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

NATIONAL TICKET

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

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ELGINE HECETA McARDLE Wheeling Ohio Co.

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

JILL STEIN Lexington, MA

MYCHAL S. SCHULZ Charleston Kanawha Co.

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III

CHASE LINKO-LOOPER Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 18TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

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SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.

LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

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Write-in, If Any

CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

VOTE BOTH SIDES

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
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# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

### INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

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### COUNTY TICKET

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

### NATIONAL TICKET

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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Charleston Kanawha Co.  
 ELGINE HECETA McARDLE  
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JILL STEIN  
Lexington, MA

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

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FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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Hurricane Putnam Co.  
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### STATE TICKET

PAUL SOWARDS  
Hurricane District III

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS  
Winfield District I

CHASE LINKO-LOOPER  
Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

CHUCK HATFIELD  
Hurricane District III

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

JACOB FERTIG  
Scott Depot District I

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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Red House Putnam Co.

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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 21ST DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

JEAN ANNE LUIKART  
Winfield Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

HALEY BUNN  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

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Write-in, If Any

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Hurricane Putnam Co.

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CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

### COUNTY TICKET

Write-in, If Any

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

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### VOTE BOTH SIDES

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

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- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

COUNTY TICKET

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

NATIONAL TICKET

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Write-in, If Any

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

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FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

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CHASE LINKO-LOOPER Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 21ST DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.

SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.

LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

COUNTY TICKET

Write-in, If Any

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

VOTE BOTH SIDES

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
Class II	45.90
Class III	91.80
Class IV	91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

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- For the Levies
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**VOTE BOTH SIDES**



# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

## INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

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### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

### COUNTY TICKET

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

### NATIONAL TICKET

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

- S. RYAN WHITE  
Charleston Kanawha Co.
- ELGINE HECETA McARDLE  
Wheeling Ohio Co.
- MYCHAL S. SCHULZ  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

JILL STEIN  
Lexington, MA

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

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FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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Hurricane Putnam Co.
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FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

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Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS  
Winfield District I

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHUCK HATFIELD  
Hurricane District III

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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Hurricane Putnam Co.

JACOB FERTIG  
Scott Depot District I

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

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FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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Winfield Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

Write-in, If Any

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Charleston Kanawha Co.

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Winfield Putnam Co.
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Buffalo Putnam Co.
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Hurricane Putnam Co.

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Write-in, If Any

CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

### COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
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Putnam County, WV

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May 14, 2024

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

COUNTY TICKET

NATIONAL TICKET

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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Write-in, If Any

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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JON D. HOOVER Hurricane Putnam Co.
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OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

STATE TICKET

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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CHASE LINKO-LOOPER Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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LINDA J. HUNT Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 21ST DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.

CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

VOTE BOTH SIDES

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
Class II	45.90
Class III	91.80
Class IV	91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER
To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

COUNTY TICKET

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

NATIONAL TICKET

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

S. RYAN WHITE Charleston Kanawha Co.
ELGINE HECETA McARDLE Wheeling Ohio Co.

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

JILL STEIN Lexington, MA

MYCHAL S. SCHULZ Charleston Kanawha Co.

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

JON D. HOOVER Hurricane Putnam Co.
PHILLIP M. STOWERS Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III
J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

CHASE LINKO-LOOPER Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III
JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

LINDA J. HUNT Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR STATE SENATOR 8TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.
SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.
LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

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ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

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AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

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<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

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For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**



# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

## INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

### COUNTY TICKET

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

### NATIONAL TICKET

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

- S. RYAN WHITE  
Charleston Kanawha Co.
- ELGINE HECETA McARDLE  
Wheeling Ohio Co.
- MYCHAL S. SCHULZ  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

JILL STEIN  
Lexington, MA

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JON D. HOOVER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.
- PHILLIP M. STOWERS  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

### STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

PAUL SOWARDS  
Hurricane District III

CHASE LINKO-LOOPER  
Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS  
Winfield District I

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHUCK HATFIELD  
Hurricane District III

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

JACOB FERTIG  
Scott Depot District I

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- RICHARD "RICK" WITT  
Red House Putnam Co.

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

MICHAEL WOLPERT  
Hurricane

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- LINDA J. HUNT  
Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR STATE SENATOR 8TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JEAN ANNE LUIKART  
Winfield Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

HALEY BUNN  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

- ERIC B. WHITNEY  
Winfield Putnam Co.

- SARAH WEAVER  
Buffalo Putnam Co.

- LARRY WINGO  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

### COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

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**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
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<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
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In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

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- For the Levies
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**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

## INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

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### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

### COUNTY TICKET

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

### NATIONAL TICKET

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

- S. RYAN WHITE  
Charleston Kanawha Co.
- ELGINE HECETA McARDLE  
Wheeling Ohio Co.
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Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

JILL STEIN  
Lexington, MA

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JON D. HOOVER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.
- PHILLIP M. STOWERS  
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NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

### STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

PAUL SOWARDS  
Hurricane District III

CHASE LINKO-LOOPER  
Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS  
Winfield District I

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHUCK HATFIELD  
Hurricane District III

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

JACOB FERTIG  
Scott Depot District I

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- RICHARD "RICK" WITT  
Red House Putnam Co.

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

MICHAEL WOLPERT  
Hurricane

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- LINDA J. HUNT  
Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR STATE SENATOR 8TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JEAN ANNE LUIKART  
Winfield Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

HALEY BUNN  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

- ERIC B. WHITNEY  
Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

- SARAH WEAVER  
Buffalo Putnam Co.

- LARRY WINGO  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

### COUNTY TICKET

### VOTE BOTH SIDES

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
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# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

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### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

### COUNTY TICKET

FOR SHERIFF  
(Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

### NATIONAL TICKET

FOR PRESIDENT  
(Vote for ONE)

- S. RYAN WHITE  
Charleston Kanawha Co.
- ELGINE HECETA McARDLE  
Wheeling Ohio Co.
- MYCHAL S. SCHULZ  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR ASSESSOR  
(Vote for ONE)

JILL STEIN  
Lexington, MA

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

FOR SURVEYOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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Hurricane Putnam Co.
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NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION  
(Vote For Not More Than TWO)  
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### STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

PAUL SOWARDS  
Hurricane District III

CHASE LINKO-LOOPER  
Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS  
Winfield District I

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE  
(Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHUCK HATFIELD  
Hurricane District III

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

JACOB FERTIG  
Scott Depot District I

FOR AUDITOR  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR TREASURER  
(Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

RICHARD "RICK" WITT  
Red House Putnam Co.

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR  
WESTERN DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

MICHAEL WOLPERT  
Hurricane

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL  
(Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

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LINDA J. HUNT  
Winfield Putnam Co.

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Write-in, If Any

FOR STATE SENATOR  
8TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES  
19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT  
(Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

JEAN ANNE LUIKART  
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NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

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Charleston Kanawha Co.

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Winfield Putnam Co.

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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

LARRY WINGO  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2  
(Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

### COUNTY TICKET

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Write-in, If Any

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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VOTE BOTH SIDES

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Write-in, If Any

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

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# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

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### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

- S. RYAN WHITE  
Charleston Kanawha Co.
- ELGINE HECETA McARDLE  
Wheeling Ohio Co.
- MYCHAL S. SCHULZ  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

### COUNTY TICKET

FOR SHERIFF  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR ASSESSOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR SURVEYOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

- JON D. HOOVER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.
- PHILLIP M. STOWERS  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION  
(Vote For Not More Than TWO)  
Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

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Hurricane District III
- J. CHRISTIAN WELLS  
Winfield District I
- CHUCK HATFIELD  
Hurricane District III
- JACOB FERTIG  
Scott Depot District I

### NATIONAL TICKET

FOR PRESIDENT  
(Vote for ONE)

- JILL STEIN  
Lexington, MA

FOR U.S. SENATOR  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

### STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR  
(Vote for ONE)

- CHASE LINKO-LOOPER  
Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR AUDITOR  
(Vote for ONE)

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(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR STATE SENATOR 8TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

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- HALEY BUNN  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

- CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

- ERIC B. WHITNEY  
Winfield Putnam Co.
- SARAH WEAVER  
Buffalo Putnam Co.
- LARRY WINGO  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

### COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY  
(Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

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The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

COUNTY TICKET

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

NATIONAL TICKET

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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Write-in, If Any

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

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FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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- LINDA J. HUNT Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 20TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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- JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

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**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

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Putnam County, WV

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

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Write-in, If Any

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

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LINDA J. HUNT Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 21ST DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.

SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.

LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

VOTE BOTH SIDES

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
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In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, or for the enrichment, supplementation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools. Provided, however, that subject to the expenditure of such surplus funds for purposes associated with legal and contractual obligations, surplus funds (in an amount representing the difference in the maximum levy rate allowed by law and a 95% levy rate) shall be dedicated to new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, and equipping buildings.

In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

The Board of Education of the County of Putnam reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy should increased assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

Those favoring the additional levies shall make a selection "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall make a selection "Against the Levies".

- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**



# OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

## INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

### COUNTY TICKET

#### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

### NATIONAL TICKET

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

- S. RYAN WHITE  
Charleston Kanawha Co.
- ELGINE HECETA McARDLE  
Wheeling Ohio Co.
- MYCHAL S. SCHULZ  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

JILL STEIN  
Lexington, MA

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JON D. HOOVER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.
- PHILLIP M. STOWERS  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

### STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

PAUL SOWARDS  
Hurricane District III

CHASE LINKO-LOOPER  
Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS  
Winfield District I

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHUCK HATFIELD  
Hurricane District III

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

JACOB FERTIG  
Scott Depot District I

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- RICHARD "RICK" WITT  
Red House Putnam Co.

### OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

### FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

Write-in, If Any

MICHAEL WOLPERT  
Hurricane

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- LINDA J. HUNT  
Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 20TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JEAN ANNE LUIKART  
Winfield Putnam Co.

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

HALEY BUNN  
Charleston Kanawha Co.

- ERIC B. WHITNEY  
Winfield Putnam Co.
- SARAH WEAVER  
Buffalo Putnam Co.
- LARRY WINGO  
Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

### NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

CHARLES S TRUMP IV  
Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

### COUNTY TICKET

Write-in, If Any

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

### VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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- For the Levies
- Against the Levies

**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

OFFICIAL BALLOT OF THE MOUNTAIN PARTY

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

COUNTY TICKET

FOR SHERIFF (Vote for ONE)

NATIONAL TICKET

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for ONE)

- S. RYAN WHITE Charleston Kanawha Co.
ELGINE HECETA McARDLE Wheeling Ohio Co.
MYCHAL S. SCHULZ Charleston Kanawha Co.

FOR ASSESSOR (Vote for ONE)

JILL STEIN Lexington, MA

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR U.S. SENATOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR SURVEYOR (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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FOR U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 1ST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

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NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

STATE TICKET

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III

CHASE LINKO-LOOPER Saint Albans Kanawha Co.

J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

FOR AUDITOR (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR TREASURER (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE) MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

FOR STATE SENATOR 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR MEMBER OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES 19TH DELEGATE DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

- JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

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Write-in, If Any

COUNTY TICKET

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for ONE)

Write-in, If Any

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (Vote for ONE)

NO CANDIDATE(S) FILED

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
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Putnam County, WV

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Write-in, If Any

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Putnam County, WV

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

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**CITY OF NITRO MUNICIPAL  
OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2024, July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, and July 1, 2028 for the following purposes:

A. Street Maintenance and Repair	\$34,959.50
B. Parks and Recreation	\$25,946.94
C. Firemen's Wages	\$70,027.87
D. Street Lighting	\$41,610.89
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F. Library	\$46,917.64
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According to the Order of the City Council entered February 6, 2024.

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- For the Levy
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- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
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SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
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The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

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For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2026, The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

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OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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Putnam County, WV

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Write-in, If Any

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
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- JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE  
SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

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Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

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ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
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<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
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<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

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**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
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Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

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The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

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In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

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In the event that the actual amount collected is less than the approximate annual amounts allocated for the above-stated purposes for any one or more fiscal years, the Board is hereby authorized and empowered to determine in its discretion (i) which one or more of the abovestated purposes shall be reduced for each such fiscal year and (ii) the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year; provided, however, that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall each year and; provided, further, that if any such reduction for one or more of the above-stated purposes is necessary, then subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8, the funds allocated for Purpose B and F set forth in the table of purposes and average annual amounts above shall be the last purpose considered by the Board for a reduction in funds in the event of a shortfall.

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- For the Levies
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**VOTE BOTH SIDES**

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT

Putnam County, WV

Primary Election

May 14, 2024

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER
To vote you must darken the oval (●) completely next to the candidate or issue of your choice.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 3 (Vote for ONE)

- ERIC B. WHITNEY Winfield Putnam Co.
SARAH WEAVER Buffalo Putnam Co.
LARRY WINGO Hurricane Putnam Co.

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

- HALEY BUNN Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NONPARTISAN BOARD OF EDUCATION (Vote For Not More Than TWO) Maximum eligible to be elected from each district: Dist. I (1); Dist. II (1); Dist. III (1)

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

- CHARLES S TRUMP IV Berkeley Springs Morgan Co.

Write-in, If Any

- PAUL SOWARDS Hurricane District III

- J. CHRISTIAN WELLS Winfield District I

- CHUCK HATFIELD Hurricane District III

- JACOB FERTIG Scott Depot District I

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

- S. RYAN WHITE Charleston Kanawha Co.

- ELGINE HECETA McARDLE Wheeling Ohio Co.

- MYCHAL S. SCHULZ Charleston Kanawha Co.

Write-in, If Any

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NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

- JON D. HOOVER Hurricane Putnam Co.

- PHILLIP M. STOWERS Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WESTERN DISTRICT (Vote for ONE)

- MICHAEL WOLPERT Hurricane

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

- JOSEPH K "JOE" REEDER Hurricane Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF FAMILY COURT JUDGE 26TH FAMILY COURT CIRCUIT (Vote for ONE)

- RICHARD "RICK" WITT Red House Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)

- LINDA J. HUNT Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 (Vote for ONE)

- JEAN ANNE LUIKART Winfield Putnam Co.

Write-in, If Any

VOTE BOTH SIDES

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**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

**COUNTY COMMISSION OF PUTNAM COUNTY WEST VIRGINIA  
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION FOR PUTNAM COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES**

Special election to authorize additional levies for the replacement of the Fire Service Fee for the fiscal years beginning on July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, and July 1, 2029 and for the purpose of funding of operational needs and implementing daytime paid firefighters assistance for the Putnam County Fire/Rescue Services according to the Order of the Putnam County Commission entered on the 13th day of February, 2024.

The additional levy shall be on Class I property 2.5 cents; on Class II property 5.0 cents; on Class III property 10.0 cents; and Class IV property 10.0 cents.

None of the funds generated by the excess levy, if approved, will be used for any purposes other than those approved by the voters.

- FOR THE EXCESS LEVY
- AGAINST THE EXCESS LEVY

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT**

Election to Authorize Additional Levies According to the Order of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam entered on February 5, 2024

An election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, in the total amount of \$23,727,921 annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Putnam, including for the purposes hereinafter set forth in the table below; all according to this Official Ballot and the Order of the Board entered on February 5, 2024, and as more particularly described below.

The approximate average annual amount considered necessary for each purpose, subject to variation from year to year as provided herein, is set forth as follows:

**PURPOSE FOR WHICH  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED**

**AVERAGE ANNUAL  
AMOUNT FOR  
EACH PURPOSE**

<b>A. To continue to provide financial support for new buildings, building additions, renovations and repairs to existing buildings, land, improvements to existing land, operating expenses and equipping buildings</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>B. To continue to provide financial support toward employee salaries/benefits: Including, but not limited to 1) Local county salary supplements, substitute costs, and fixed charges 2) Extended employment for summer maintenance; 3) Overtime wages; 4) Extra-duty bus wages for academic and athletic trips; 5) Extra duty salary supplements for Curricular positions and Athletic positions; and 6) Dental and optical insurance</b>	\$16,317,921
<b>C. To continue to provide financial support of the following community organizations: Putnam County Public Library [\$191,600]; Putnam County 4-H [\$68,400]</b>	\$260,000
<b>D. To continue to provide for the purchase of instructional equipment/furniture, teaching supplies, textbooks and library books (to include print and electronic versions of all teaching materials)</b>	\$3,000,000
<b>E. To continue to provide and maintain a secure environment for students and employees in the schools: Including, but not limited to school resource officers and/or school security enhancements</b>	\$250,000
<b>F. To continue to provide for benefits to retired employees</b>	\$900,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,727,921</b>

As noted above and in the next paragraph, below, the amounts set forth in the table above are the average annual amounts for each purpose. The actual amounts for each purpose will likely vary from one fiscal year to the next. If any item in the above-stated purposes is declared unconstitutional or invalid due to judicial or legislative action, then any affected funds will be distributed among the remaining constitutional and valid itemized purposes.

The actual amounts budgeted, as well as the amounts spent, for each purpose and in aggregate, likely will vary from one fiscal year to the next depending on the realized tax collections and the needs of the Putnam County School District, as determined by the Board with respect to each fiscal year and, further, are subject to downward adjustments (if any) required to be made for any fiscal year under W. Va. Code § 18-9B-8. If the amounts budgeted by the Board for a specific purpose or purposes for a fiscal year are not able to be spent entirely in such fiscal year, then the unspent amount shall be carried over and spent on such specific purpose or purposes in subsequent fiscal years.

The proposed additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property within Putnam County School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027, July 1, 2028, July 1, 2029, and July 1, 2030, is as follows:

Class I	22.95
Class II	45.90
Class III	91.80
Class IV	91.80

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Putnam shall obtain additional money by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as The Board of Education of the County of Putnam may from time to time determine.

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