

<u>Patchogue-Medford Congress of Teachers</u> <u>Special, Non-Precedent Setting, One Time Mail</u> Ballot Election Procedures



Official Ballots will be counted on Monday, June 1, 2020 at 6pm.

- 1. Election Procedures shall be posted on www.patmedteachers.org
- 2. Ballots will be mailed to active PMCT members, no later than 5pm on Thursday, May 14, 2020. Once received, active members shall cast their vote and return the official ballot in the provided envelope. Only official ballots will be eligible in this election. All official ballots must be post marked no later than Tuesday, May 26, 2020 in order to be eligible to be counted. Any ballot post marked after May 26, 2020 will not be counted.
- 3. In order to maintain a secret ballot, please do not make any identifying marks on the official ballot or the return envelope.
- 4. Votes will not be accepted via telephone, email or similar. Only official ballots can will be counted.
- 5. The Election Committee shall consist of five members, one from each level appointed by the President with the consent of the Executive Board along with the Executive Vice-President and President.
- 6. The Committee, with the exception of any members running for office or in attendance via Video Conference, will be at the PMCT office to recount and tabulate the ballots to verify the results from all buildings. The Election Committee shall also investigate any written complaints about the conduct of an election.
- 7. If the total vote separating candidates is 10 votes or fewer, there will be an automatic recount until the same totals occur three times.
- 8. A candidate or candidate's representative may request a recount up until 8:00 PM the day of the vote.
- 9. Ballots and tallies will be kept on file for one year in the PMCT office.
- 10. The Election Committee will report the final results to the membership on the evening of June 1, 2020. The results will be published via e-mail and published at www.patmedteachers.org
- 11. If a candidate has a relative in the union, the relative may not handle the ballots, other than casting his or her own vote.
- 12. Any complaints about the conduct of the election should be forwarded in writing to the President within two (2) school days following the election. The Election Committee will investigate the matter and make recommendations to the Executive Board for further action.