

GOWANDA CENTRAL SCHOOL

10674 Prospect Street, Gowanda, New York 14070, District Clerk 716-532-3325

APPLICATION FOR ABSENTEE BALLOT FOR BUDGET VOTE AND ELECTION

Name: _____ Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Town of: _____

The undersigned declares that he/she is (or will be) on the date of the Annual School District Budget Vote and Election May 19, 2026, a qualified voter of the school district, eighteen years of age or older, a citizen of the United States and has or will have resided in the school district for thirty days next preceding such date. He/she will be unable to appear to vote in person on the day of the Budget Vote and Election for which the absentee ballot is requested for the following reason:

Please check the appropriate box:

I am or will be a patient in a hospital or unable to appear personally at the polling location on such day because of illness or physical disability.

I am or will be unable to appear personally at the polling location on such day because of a temporary illness or physical disability.

I will be outside of the county because of duties, occupation, business or studies. A statement explaining the business or special circumstances which necessitate the absence, must be included in the application.
Statement: _____

I will be on vacation outside of the District: The application must include the dates you expect to leave and return, the place(s) you expect to be, your employer's name and address, or a statement that you are self-employed.
Destination: _____
Dates expected to leave and return: _____
Employer's name and address: _____

I am detained in jail awaiting grand jury action, awaiting trial, or confined in prison after conviction for an offense other than a felony. The application must specify for which of those reasons you are in jail.
Reason: _____

I hereby declare that the foregoing is a true statement to the best of my knowledge and belief, and I understand that if I make any material false statements in the foregoing statement of application for absentee ballot, I shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Date: _____ Signature of voter: _____

Please note:

If a spouse or child is a qualified voter and expects to be absent with an individual who is entitled to an absentee ballot, they may also request an absentee ballot by submitting a separate signed application including all the information above and citing the reasons for absence as accompanying the other person.

The District Clerk must receive this application at least seven (7) days before the election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the election, if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. If the School District Clerk finds the application meets all of the required criteria and is satisfied the applicant is a qualified voter, the Clerk may issue an absentee ballot.