Here’s what is happening...

“The people of Montclair have decided to elect its School Board Members. In doing so, they need to have a ‘Special Election’ in March to elect two Board Members.”

— Christopher J. Durkin
Essex County Clerk

Montclair School District

- Bradford Elementary School
- Charles H. Bullock Elementary School
- Edgemont Montessori School
- Hillside Elementary School
- Nishuane Elementary School
- Northeast Elementary School
- Watchung Elementary School
- Buzz Aldrin Middle School
- Glenfield Middle School
- Renaissance Middle School at the Rand Building
- Montclair High School

Important Dates in 2022

1st School Board Election

Monday, January 17, 2022 at 4:00pm — Petition Filing deadline for School Board. There will be two seats available for candidates to run for: both seats are for a term of one year and eight months each.

Tuesday, March 1, 2022 — Last Day to request a Vote by Mail Ballot via mail.

Monday, March 7, 2022 at 3:00pm — Last day to apply for Vote by Mail Ballot in person or by an authorized messenger.

Tuesday, March 8, 2022 — Election Day.

2nd School Board Election

Monday, July 25, 2022 at 4:00pm — deadline to file petitions for November 8, 2022 election. There will be three seats available for candidates to run for: all three seats will be for a term of three years.

Tuesday, November 1, 2022 — last day to apply for a Vote by Mail Ballot via mail.

Monday, November 7, 2022 at 3:00pm — last day to apply for a Vote by Mail Ballot in person or by authorized messenger.

Tuesday, November 8, 2022 — Election Day.

VOTE

On Tuesday, March 8, 2022
for Montclair Board of Education
School Board Members

Montclair Board of Education Website:
www.montclair.k12.nj.us
The Montclair voters have decided to make a change from a type 1 appointed school board to a type 2 elected school board.

The first step in the process is for the Township of Montclair to host a “Special Election” on Tuesday, March 8, 2022, to elect two (2) School Board members and increase the Township of Montclair School Board from seven (7) members to nine (9) members.

The two (2) School Board members being elected at the Tuesday, March 8, 2022, “Special Election” will be elected to one year and nine-month terms in office.

The petitions to run for each office will be available at the Montclair Public School’s Office, 22 Valley Road, or can be downloaded at: www.montclair.k12.nj.us.

The deadline for petitions to be submitted to the Montclair Public School’s Office is Monday, January 17, 2022, by 4:00pm (*Ten (10) qualified signatures are needed on the petition to qualify as a candidate).

The Montclair voters have decided to move the annual School Board elections to the November General Election ballot in order to save the township approximately $70,000 a year by not having the School Board host the election every April.

At the Tuesday, November 8, 2022, General Election three (3) members of the School Board will be elected for three (3) year terms in office. These elected School Board members will replace three of the current (3) appointed School Board members whose terms are expiring. Petition deadline is Monday, July 25, 2022. Those petitions will be available at the Essex County Clerk’s Office at 495 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Newark, 07102, Suite 130 or at the Essex County Clerk’s website at: www.essexclerk.com.

There will be three (3) more School Board members elected for three (3) year terms at the Tuesday, November 7, 2023, General Election. Those petitions deadline is Monday, July 25, 2022. Those petitions will be available at the Essex County Clerk's Office at 495 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Newark, 07102, Suite 130 or at the Essex County Clerk’s website at: www.essexclerk.com.

The terms of the remaining three (3) appointed School Board members will be set to expire at the end of 2024 and three (3) School Board members will be elected at the November 5, 2024, General Election.

At that time, the Montclair Township School Board will have nine (9) elected School Board members.

In every year following 2024, the people of the Montclair Township will elect three members to the School Board for three (3) year terms in office.

“The right to vote is precious, almost sacred. It is the most powerful nonviolent tool or instrument in a democratic society. We must use it.” —John Lewis