

## SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS

The election of members of the Board of Education shall be held at the same time as the budget vote. This vote shall be held on the third Tuesday in May. The polls shall be open from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.

While the polls are open, electioneering is prohibited within the polling place and within 100 feet from the entrance to the building where the election is being held.

### *Nomination of Candidates*

Candidates for the Board of Education shall be nominated by petition with signatures of at least 25 qualified voters of the district or two percent of the number of voters who voted in the previous election, whichever is greater. The petition shall also state the name and residence of the candidate and the residence of each signer. There is no limit on the number of candidates for whom qualified district residents may sign nominating petitions. Nominating petitions must be filed in the office of the district clerk no later than 30 days before the election, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Since board members serve at large, candidates do not run for a specific seat on the board. The board may reject nominations if the candidate is ineligible or has declared an unwillingness to serve. In the event a nominee withdraws and then attempts to re-enter, such person may not be considered a candidate unless a new nominating petition is filed.

If a candidate for whom a petition has been filed withdraws within 15 days prior to the deadline for filing petitions, the time for filing petitions shall be extended for 15 days from the date of withdrawal but no further than the seventh day before the election.

The order of names on the ballot shall be determined by a drawing conducted by the district clerk on the day following the deadline for filing petitions.

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( ) Required ( ) Local (X) Notice