

NOMINATING PETITION FOR NOVEMBER SCHOOL ELECTIONS

Instructions for School Board Candidates

- Print the petition on one-sided pages.
- Carefully review the petition and fill in all the blank spaces.
- Please write clearly. Do not type, pre-fill, or e-sign signatures.
- Candidates must be registered voters; at least 18 years old; and have lived in the school district for at least one year before the General Election (Chapter 94 Laws of 1980).
- Candidates filing jointly can bracket under the same slogan/designation and waive having their ballot positions drawn individually.
- Candidates seeking different offices and/or terms of office must file separate petitions.
- Every candidate must sign one Certificate of Acceptance and Oath of Allegiance, which must be notarized.
- P.L. 2018, Chapter 66 requires each candidate to provide a personal or campaign email address. Candidates should not use official government email, including school district emails.
- The person whose presence the petition was signed (the circulator) MUST be one of the petition signers and make an affidavit before a notary or other officer authorized by law to take the affidavit.
- Board of Education candidate petitions must have at least 25 valid signatures.**
- Petitioners must sign their names in their own handwriting, ensure their signatures match those on their voter registration, and provide their correct address in front of the person witnessing the signatures.
- Candidates may circulate and sign their petitions. Candidate signatures count toward the total number of signatures required.
- The circulator (the person gathering signatures) MUST sign the petition and indicate where they signed.
- Only legally qualified voters in New Jersey who live in the same school district can sign the petition.
- Each voter can only sign for the same candidate once and must not sign for more candidates than there are seats available.
- The Burlington County Clerk's Office will conduct a public ballot draw at 3 PM on the 85th day preceding the General Election at the County Clerk's Office at 50 Rancocas Road, 3rd Floor, in Mount Holly.
- The candidates for the school district will be organized by office sought, and each office on the ballot will have a randomized order based on the ballot draw.

Recommendations for Petitioners

- Begin the process and submit your petition early.
- Obtain 10% to 20% more signatures than the minimum required.
- Make sure everything is signed and notarized correctly, and that all requested information is included. If you want a nickname or alternate name to appear on the ballot instead of your legal name, include a letter requesting this with your petition.
- Questions? Contact the Burlington County Clerk's Office at 609-265-5229 if necessary.

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To: Joanne Schwartz, Burlington County Clerk

A: NOMINATING STATEMENT:

We, the undersigned, are qualified voters of the below School District in Burlington County, New Jersey, or, in the case of a regional school district, qualified voters of the constituent district which the candidate shall represent on the below Board of Education of the Regional District in Burlington County, New Jersey. We hereby endorse the following as candidate(s) for membership on the below-named Board of Education, and we hereby request that the name(s) of said candidate(s) be printed on the Official Ballot to be used at the ensuing election for the Board of Education to be held November _____, 20_____.

(Date of General Election)

School District: _____

Municipality: _____

Term: Full 3-Year Term Unexpired 2-Year Term Unexpired 1-Year Term

Name of Candidate(s)	Residence Address	Post Office (Mailing) Address

First Choice Slogan/Designation: _____
No more than THREE words that convey the principles which the candidates represent, but no designation may contain the name, or a derivative or any part thereof, used as a noun or an adjective, of any political party that is entitled to participate in a Primary Election. Use of a slogan/designation is optional.

Second Choice Slogan/Designation: _____
OPTIONAL – if the first slogan is already taken by a candidate who filed before you, or is otherwise not acceptable, the second-choice slogan will be used.

Joint Petition Candidates - Check here that you intend to be associated together in the order presented above and under the same slogan and waive your right to have your ballot positions drawn separately.

B. SIGNATORIES:

We, the undersigned petitioners, hereby certify that the above candidate(s) is/are legally qualified under the laws of the State to be elected a Member of the above Board of Education.

At least twenty-five (25) signatures, which may include those of the candidate(s), are required to nominate a candidate.

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C. AFFIDAVIT OF CIRCULATOR:

I, _____, circulator of this nominating petition, being duly sworn
(Name of Circulator)

or affirmed according to the law on oath, deposes and says: The present petition is signed by each of the signers thereof in his/her own handwriting; the signers are, to the best of my knowledge and belief, legally qualified to vote at the school district election for which the candidates are nominated; and that the petition is prepared and filed in absolute good faith for the sole purpose of endorsing each candidate and placing the candidate(s)'s name on the official ballot in order to seek election as a member of the Board of Education. The circulator further affirms that he/she is eligible to vote in the State of New Jersey, and meets the age, citizenship, and residency requirements as required by New Jersey law.

Circulator's Signature

Circulator's Typed/Printed Name

SWORN OR AFFIRMED AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME THIS

_____ DAY OF _____, 20_____

*Signature of Notary Public, NJ Attorney or other person
authorized under New Jersey law to administer oath*

(Affix notary stamp here)

Per N.J.S.A. 19:60-7, N.J.S.A. 40A:14-71(b), Petitions shall be filed with the County Clerk at 50 Rancocas Road, 3rd Floor, Mount Holly, before 4:00 p.m. on the last Monday in July.

D. NOTICE

All candidates are required to comply with the provisions of the "New Jersey Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Reporting Act." For further information, please call (609) 292-8700 or go to www.elec.nj.gov

