
Public Notice – School Board Election

Nominating petition forms for the April 4, 2017 school board election in River Ridge Community Unit School District #210 are now available. Forms may be picked up in the River Ridge District office at 4141 IL Rte 84 South, Hanover, Illinois on any business day between 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. and the County Clerk's Office; 330 N. Bench St.; Galena, Illinois.

A school board candidate's petition must be filed at the Jo Daviess County courthouse no earlier than 8:00 a.m. on Monday, December 12 and no later than 5:00 p.m., Monday, December 19, 2016.

Candidates' names will appear on the election ballot in the order in which their nominating papers are received at Jo Daviess county courthouse.

Four seats on the seven-member board of education will be filled at the April 4th election. Candidates elected will serve the four-year term expiring in April 2021.

To be eligible to serve, a school board member must be, on the date of election, a citizen of the United States, at least 18 years old, a resident of the State of Illinois and the school district for at least one year immediately preceding the election and a registered voter.

Elections are nonpartisan and board candidates do not indicate a political party affiliation. Candidates should be aware of financial conflict-of-interest limitations set forth in The School Code.

Nominating papers may be filed by the candidate in person, by mail or by an agent. They consist of the following:

1. Nominating petitions signed by at least 50 (fifty) voters residing within the district. Petitions must be securely bound together with pages numbered consecutively. Each page must carry the notarized signature of the petition circulator.
2. Statement of candidacy, which includes a request that the candidate's name be placed on the official ballot, the address of the candidate, the office sought, and a statement that the candidate is qualified for the office and has filed (or will file before the close of the petition filing period) a statement of economic interests as required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act.
3. A receipt from the county clerk showing that the candidate has filed the statement of economic interests as noted above.

For more information about the nature and duties of serving on a school board, contact the River Ridge District Office, 4141 IL Rte 84 South, Hanover, IL 61041; (815-858-9005). A booklet entitled "Your School Board and You" is available at the Illinois Ass'n. of School Boards web site: <http://www.iasb.com/files/issue1.htm>.