

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBER

Boards of Education

NOMINATION PAPERS

Petitions: At-Large ([SBE Form P-7](#)); Districts 1-7 ([SBE Form P-7A](#))

Statement of Candidacy: Nonpartisan ([SBE Form P-1A](#))

Loyalty Oath (optional): All candidates ([SBE Form P-1C](#))

Statement of Economic Interests: Filed with the county clerk of the county in which the principal office of the unit of local government with which the person is associated is located. (5 ILCS 420/4A-106)

Fair Campaign Practices Act (voluntary): Filed with the State Board of Elections or the county clerk.

QUALIFICATIONS

Any person who, on the date of election, is a citizen of the United States, of the age of 18 years or over, a resident of the State and the territory encompassing the district for one year preceding the election, and a registered voter is eligible. A member shall not be a child sex offender as defined in Section 11-9.3 of the Criminal Code of 2012 and cannot serve as a school trustee. (105 ILCS 5/10-10)

SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS

Petitions must be signed by at least 50 qualified voters or 10% of the voters, whichever is less, residing within the district. (105 ILCS 5/9-10)

FILING DATES

December 14-21, 2020 (not more than 113 nor less than 106 days prior to the consolidated election).

WHERE TO FILE

With the county clerk or the county board of election commissioners, as the case may be, of the county in which the principal office of the school district is located. (105 ILCS 5/9-10)

TERM

4 years (may be changed to 6 years by referendum). (105 ILCS 5/9-5)

TERM BEGINS

Within 28 days after the election. (105 ILCS 5/10-16)

CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE

Reports must be filed either on paper or electronically with the State Board of Elections, 2329 S. MacArthur Blvd., Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 W. Randolph Street, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601.

CANDIDATE FILING PERIODS (AND CAUCUS DATE INFORMATION)

ESTABLISHED PARTY AND NONPARTISAN MUNICIPAL OFFICE CANDIDATES

November 16-23, 2020 (10 ILCS 5/7-12(3), 10-6(4))

(Filed not more than 99 nor less than 92 days prior to the date of the primary election)

Filing period for candidates seeking nomination at the **FEBRUARY 23, 2021 Consolidated Primary Election**, see page 3.

Petitions may NOT be circulated prior to August 25, 2020. (10 ILCS 5/10-4)

(No more than 90 days preceding the last day for the filing of the petition)

INDEPENDENT, NEW PARTY, COMMISSION-MUNICIPAL, AND NON-MUNICIPAL NONPARTISAN OFFICE CANDIDATES

December 14-21, 2020 (10 ILCS 5/10-6(2))

(Not more than 113 nor less than 106 days prior to the consolidated election)

Filing period for candidates seeking election at the **APRIL 6, 2021 Consolidated Election**, see page 5.

Petitions may NOT be circulated prior to September 22, 2020. (10 ILCS 5/10-4)

(No more than 90 days preceding the last day for the filing of the petition)

CAUCUS DATE INFORMATION

In **MUNICIPALITIES** under 5,000 population, established political parties hold their caucuses on December 7, 2020, and file their certificates of nomination with the municipal clerk during the filing period, December 14-21, 2020. (10 ILCS 5/10-1(a))

NOTE: Municipalities of 5,000 or less may determine by ordinance (by November 15, 2020) that established political parties shall nominate candidates for municipal offices by primary election. (10 ILCS 5/7-1(b))

TOWNSHIP CAUCUS – December 1, 2020 (60 ILCS 1/45-10)

MULTI-TOWNSHIP CAUCUS – December 2, 2020 (60 ILCS 1/45-25)

New political parties: The SBE does not require new political parties to submit a full-slate of candidates, in accordance with the Seventh Circuit's 2017 ruling which found the full-slate requirement unconstitutional. *Libertarian Party of Illinois v. Scholz, et al.*, 872 F.3d 518 (7th Cir. 2017).

CANDIDATE CHECKLIST

- Meet **residency, age, and other qualifications** for the specific office

- File paperwork with the **SBE Campaign Disclosure division** or the **Federal Election Commission** regarding finances (if needed)

- File a notarized **Statement of Candidacy** including (but not limited to):
 - Your name
 - Your address
 - Office sought
 - Party
 - Office location (for example, the district or county)
 - Date of the election

- File a **Statement of Economic Interests receipt** (does not apply to federal offices or political party offices)

- File a **Loyalty Oath** (optional)

- File a **Code of Fair Campaign Practices** (optional)

- File notarized **petition sheets** with the required number of signatures, numbered consecutively starting with the number "1"

- Include **Certificate of Deletions** with petitions, numbered consecutively starting with the number "1" (if applicable)

- Fill out **data entry card** (for people who file with the State Board of Elections) and place on top of nominating petition packet (does not need to be attached to packet)

- File with the appropriate** election authority (see specific office in this guide for details)

Note: This checklist is not binding and should not be construed as sufficient argument in response to any objection or legal argument. If you have further questions, you may contact the division of Election Operations at the State Board of Elections or your legal counsel.

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY

NONPARTISAN

NAME:	OFFICE: A Full Term is sought, unless an unexpired term is stated here: ____ year unexpired term
ADDRESS – ZIP CODE:	CITY, VILLAGE OR SPECIAL DISTRICT:

If required pursuant to 10 ILCS 5/7-10.2, 8-8.1 or 10-5.1, complete the following (this information will appear on the ballot)

FORMERLY KNOWN AS _____ UNTIL NAME CHANGED ON _____
(List all names during last 3 years) (List date of each name change)

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS.
County of _____)

I, _____ being first duly sworn (or affirmed), say that I reside at _____, in the City, Village, Unincorporated Area of _____

(if unincorporated, list municipality that provides postal service) Zip Code _____, in the County of _____, State of Illinois; that I am a qualified voter therein, that I am a candidate for Nomination/

Election to the office of _____ in the _____ (Name of City, Village or Special District)

to be voted upon at the election to be held on _____ (date of election) and that I am legally qualified to hold such office and that I have filed (or I will file before the close of the petition filing period) a Statement of Economic Interests as required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act and I hereby request that my name be printed upon the official ballot for Nomination/Election to such office.

(Signature of Candidate)

Signed and sworn to (or affirmed) by _____ before me, on _____
(Name of Candidate) (insert month, day, year)

(SEAL)

(Notary Public's Signature)

ATTACH TO PETITION

10 ILCS 5/7-10.1

Suggested
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L O Y A L T Y O A T H
(OPTIONAL)

United States of America)
)
State of Illinois) SS.

I, _____, do swear (or affirm) that I am a citizen of the United States and the State of Illinois, that I am not affiliated directly or indirectly with any communist organization or any communist front organization, or any foreign political agency, party, organization or government which advocates the overthrow of constitutional government by force or other means not permitted under the Constitution of the United States or the Constitution of this State; that I do not directly or indirectly teach or advocate the overthrow of the government of the United States or of this State or any unlawful change in the form of the governments thereof by force or any unlawful means.

(Signature of Candidate)

Signed and sworn to (or affirmed) by _____ before me,
(Name of Candidate)

on _____.
(insert month, day, year)

(Notary Public's Signature)

(SEAL)

PETITION FOR NOMINATION

TO THE COUNTY CLERK OR COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS HAVING JURISDICTION OVER
SCHOOL DISTRICT NUMBER IN COUNTY, ILLINOIS

We, the undersigned, being (or more) (or 10% or more) (or 5% or more) of the voters residing within said district, hereby petition that
who resides at in the City, Village, Unincorporated Area
of (If unincorporated, list municipality that provides postal service) in Township in said
district shall be a candidate for the office of of the Board of Education (or Board of Directors) (full term) or
(vacancy) to be voted for at the Consolidated Election to be held on (date of election).

A Full Term is sought, unless an unexpired term is stated here: year unexpired term

If required pursuant to 10 ILCS 5/10-5.1, complete the following (this information will appear on the ballot)

FORMERLY KNOWN AS UNTIL NAME CHANGED ON
(List all names during last 3 years) (List date of each name change)

NAME (VOTER'S SIGNATURE)	VOTER'S PRINTED NAME (optional)	STREET ADDRESS OR RR NUMBER	CITY, TOWN OR VILLAGE	COUNTY
1.			,IL	
2.			,IL	
3.			,IL	
4.			,IL	
5.			,IL	
6.			,IL	
7.			,IL	
8.			,IL	
9.			,IL	
10.			,IL	

State of)
County of) SS.

I, (Circulator's Name) do hereby certify that I reside at , in the
City/Village/Unincorporated Area of (if unincorporated, list municipality that provides postal service) (Zip

Code) , County of , State of that I am 18 years of age or older (or 17 years of
age and qualified to vote in Illinois), that I am a citizen of the United States, and that the signatures on this sheet were signed in my presence, not
more than 90 days preceding the last day of filing of the petitions and are genuine and that to the best of my knowledge and belief the persons so
signing were at the time of signing the petition registered voters of the political division in which the candidate is seeking elective office, and their
respective residences are correctly stated, as above set forth.

(Circulator's Signature)

Signed and sworn to (or affirmed) by before me, on
(Name of Circulator) (Insert month, day, year)

(SEAL)

(Notary Public's Signature)