

Nomination & school board trustee election information packages are available at our Central Office.



A person is **eligible to be nominated** as a candidate in the school board election (Sections 21 & 47 of Local Authorities Election Act) if on Nomination Day the person:

- is eligible to vote (ie - at least 18 years old and a Canadian citizen);
- is a resident of the local school jurisdiction and the WARD for the six consecutive months immediately preceding nomination day (ie - March 18 - Sept 18)
- has resided in Alberta for the six consecutive months immediately preceding election day (ie - April 16 to Oct 16) and the person's place of residence is located in the area on election day (Oct 16).
- is not otherwise ineligible or disqualified.

A person **is NOT eligible to be nominated** as a candidate, if on Nomination Day the person (according to Section 22 of Local Authorities Election Act):

- is the auditor of the local school jurisdiction;
- is an employee of the local school jurisdiction for which the election is to be held UNLESS on a leave of absence under this section;
  - Section 22 (5.1) - "An employee who wishes to be nominated as a candidate for election as a trustee of a school board may notify his/her employer on or after July 1st in the year of an election but before the employee's last working day prior to nomination day that the employee is taking a leave of absence without pay under this section."
  - Section 22 (7) - "An employee who takes a leave of absence under this section is subject to the same conditions that apply to taking a leave of absence without pay for any other purpose."
  - Section 22 (8) - "If an employee who takes a leave of absence under this section is NOT elected, the employee may return to work, in the position the employee had before the leave commenced, on the 5th day after election day or, if the 5th day is not a working day, on the first working day after the 5th day."
  - Section 22 (9) - "If an employee who takes a leave of absence under this section IS declared elected, the employee is deemed to have resigned that position as an employee the day the employee takes the official Oath of Office as an elected official."
- has within the previous 10 years, been convicted of an elections offence under the *Local Authorities Election Act*, the *Election Act* or the *Canada Elections Act*.

**PLRD will be accepting nomination forms on Nomination Day (Monday Sept 18th, 2017) at our Central Office between 10 AM and 12:00 PM (Noon).** People seeking nominations must complete the required "Form 3 - Nomination Paper and Candidate's Acceptance" (included in our information package), and this must be signed by at least 5 electors eligible to vote in the election (ie - at least 18 years old, Canadian citizen, has lived in Alberta for 6 consecutive months immediately preceding election day - so since Apr 16, 2017 - and the person's place of residence is located in the area on election day) AND resident in the WARD on the date of signing the nomination paper.

- Section 27(3) - "Only an elector who is a resident of the WARD for which a candidate for election is being nominated may sign the nomination of the candidate".

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## **Resources for Candidates**

You may find the following resources useful as you begin your journey as a school board trustee candidate:

Schools within Prairie Land Regional Division (PLRD) - <http://www.plrd.ab.ca/Schools.php>

PLRD Board Policy Handbook - <http://www.plrd.ab.ca/view.php?action=documents&id=15>

Alberta School Boards Association – Trustee Election Information :  
<http://www.asba.ab.ca/trustee-election/>

PLRD Map – showing election boundaries -  
<http://www.plrd.ab.ca/documents/general/Prairie%20Land%20Regional%20Division%2025-Election%20Boundaries.pdf>

PLRD Map – showing location of school boundaries & election boundaries -  
<http://www.plrd.ab.ca/documents/general/Prairie%20Land%20Regional%20Division%2025%20-%20School%20Boundaries%20%20Election%20Boundaries.pdf>

PLRD Map – showing WARD 2 (Subdivision 1) election boundary (Town of Hanna) -  
<http://www.plrd.ab.ca/documents/general/PLRD%20-%20showing%20Town%20of%20Hanna%20Ward%202%20SubDivision%201%20-%20MAP.pdf>

School Act - [http://www.qp.alberta.ca/1266.cfm?page=s03.cfm&leg\\_type=Acts&isbncln=9780779798377](http://www.qp.alberta.ca/1266.cfm?page=s03.cfm&leg_type=Acts&isbncln=9780779798377)

Local Authorities Election Act -  
[http://www.qp.alberta.ca/1266.cfm?page=L21.cfm&leg\\_type=Acts&isbncln=9780779797707](http://www.qp.alberta.ca/1266.cfm?page=L21.cfm&leg_type=Acts&isbncln=9780779797707)

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