

A close-up, vertical view of the American flag, showing the stars and stripes. The flag is draped and folded, with the blue field containing white stars at the top and the red and white stripes below. The lighting creates soft shadows, emphasizing the texture of the fabric.

State of Illinois

2023 CANDIDATE'S GUIDE

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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) See page 19 regarding filing the receipt.

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 12-19, 2022 (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)

If reapportionment is required under 9-22 of the school code, the members are divided into two groups, with terms of 4 years and 2 years or 2 years and 4 years.

TERM BEGINS

Within 40 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 69 W. Washington St., Pedway LL-08, Chicago, IL 60602.