

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF JOHNSON CREEK BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY	POLICY: 131
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### School Board Elections

School Board elections will be held on the first Tuesday in April, unless otherwise specified by statute.

- A. **Notice of Election:** On or before the fourth Tuesday in November or in accordance with any change in the present law the School District Clerk is required to publish a notice of the school district election stating the time, place, and manner for filing the declaration for candidacy.

The School District Clerk is required to notify the clerk of each municipality, lying wholly or partially in the school district of the spring election and the primary election if one is to be held.

The School District Clerk must also furnish municipal clerks with a copy of the notice of School Board elections and an adequate supply of ballots.

- B. **Declaration of Candidacy:** Candidates must file a written declaration of candidacy prior to 5:00 p.m., on the first Tuesday in January or as specified by Wisconsin state law. If the first Tuesday is a holiday the deadline for filing nomination papers for the spring election will be the next day. Declarations of candidacy are verified by the School Board's Clerk immediately after the filing deadline.

- C. **Filling Unexpired Terms:** Elections to fill unexpired terms are conducted at the same time and in the same manner as other elections.

- D. **Costs of the Election:** If no state, municipal, or judicial election is held on the day of the School Board election then the school district must pay the costs of the election.

- E. **Recounting Ballots:** Recounting at an election of School Board members is conducted under the direction of the School Board in accordance with the general election law.

### ELECTION CRITERIA

The School Board of the School District of Johnson Creek is comprised of seven members selected at large in the spring election by the eligible voters of the school district; according to Wisconsin Statutes 120.02 and 120.06 School Board elections shall be conducted according to the applicable sections of Chapters five through ten of the Wisconsin Statutes and all candidates shall be subject to the requirements of Chapters Eleven and Twelve regarding campaign financing and prohibited practices. The election schedule shall replace three members at the first election of a three-year cycle, and two members during the next two elections of the cycle.

- A. **Term of Office:** The regular term of School Board members shall be three years. Each member shall execute an oath of office prior to the day of taking office. All members shall hold office until their successors have been elected and qualified except as otherwise provided in Chapter 17 of the Wisconsin Statutes.
  
- B. **Oath of Office:** Any eligible elector may be a candidate for School Board membership. An eligible elector must be a citizen of the United States, 18 years of age, and a resident of the district for at least ten days preceding the election. Elective board members must file a written oath of office with the Clerk as prescribed by law before they are legally entitled to hold office.

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