

Candidates are responsible for understanding and following the rules in Part 3 of the *Local Government Act*, Part 4 of the *School Act* and the *Local Elections Campaign Financing Act* (LECFA).

The Chief Election Officer and other election officials cannot provide legal advice or interpret legislation for candidates or their representatives. Candidates should obtain their own legal or professional advice if needed.

All questions about campaign financing must be directed to Elections BC, which administers LECFA. Elections BC contact information is included in this package.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR HOLDING OFFICE

Please reference Sections 32-34 and 42 of the *School Act* regarding qualifications and disqualifications for holding the office of School Trustee.

NOMINATIONS

A nomination for the office of School Trustee must be made by at least two qualified electors of the School Trustee Area for which the nomination is made. A nomination must be in writing on Form CS2 provided in this package. Elector qualifications are generally set out in Sections 39-42 of the *School Act*.

NOMINATION DOCUMENTS AND FILING INFORMATION

- 1) The following standardized forms must be completed and delivered together by hand, mail, fax, email or other delivery service to the Chief Election Officer/Deputy **no later than 4:00 pm September 11, 2026 (close of nominations)**.

- Form CS1 Candidate Cover Sheet and Checklist Form
- Form CS2 Nomination Documents
- Form CS4 OPTIONAL Appointment of Candidate Financial Agent
- Statement of Disclosure: Financial Disclosure Act
- Form 8-6 OPTIONAL Candidate Information Release Authorization

After nomination papers are submitted, they become public documents and can be viewed by anyone, as required by Section 89(7) and (8) of the *Local Government Act*. Once filed, they cannot be changed. Nominations may only be withdrawn or challenged through the processes set out in Sections 91 and 101 of the *Local Government Act*.

- 2) The following form must be submitted prior to the end of the nomination period but are not required to be submitted together with the nomination documents in item #1.
- Form CS3 - Other Information Provided by Candidate

3) The following forms are optional.

- Form CS5 - Appointment of Candidate Official Agent
- Form CS6 - Appointment of Candidate Scrutineer

CANDIDATE REPRESENTATIVES

A candidate may appoint one individual to act as an official agent for the candidate, and scrutineers to observe the conduct of voting and counting proceedings for the election. Official agents and scrutineers must abide by the direction provided by election staff at the respective voting place. Only one Scrutineer at each voting place is permitted. All candidate representatives attending voting locations must carry a copy of their appointment with them to show to the Presiding Election Official.

Scrutineer appointments must be made in writing on Form CS6 – Appointment of Scrutineer and must be delivered to the Chief Election Officer or designate as soon as possible after the appointment is made. Refer to Sections 102 and 103 of the *Local Government Act*.

CAMPAIGN FINANCING

The *Local Election Campaign Financing Act (LECFA)* regulates candidate and elector organization campaign financing, third party advertising sponsors and election advertising. All matters pertaining to campaign financing and advertising are the responsibility of Elections BC. Please contact them directly should you have any questions regarding campaign financing.

ELECTOR ORGANIZATION ENDORSEMENT

An elector organization who has registered with Elections BC prior to July 31, 2026 may endorse a candidate in an election and have the endorsement included on the ballot provided the following conditions are met:

- The candidate must consent to the endorsement
- The endorsement must be made on the nomination documents along with the consent statements of the candidate and the authorized principal officer of the elector organization.

CANDIDATE INFORMATION MEETING

An optional Candidate Information Meeting is being hosted by the Chief Election Officer on September 15, 2026 at 1:00 pm in the FVRD Boardroom. Candidates are encouraged to attend and learn more about election procedures and responsibilities.

CRITICAL DATES

Jan. 1, 2026

Commencement of Election Period (*LECFA*)

Mar. 11, 2026

Last day for to meet BC residency requirement

Week of Aug. 10, 2026	Nomination packages available
Sept. 1, 2026 9:00 a.m.	Nomination period opens
Sept. 11, 2026 4:00 p.m.	Nomination period closes
Sept. 15, 2026 1:00 p.m.	Candidate Information Meeting
Sept. 18, 2026 4:00 p.m.	Deadline for withdrawal of Candidates
Sept. 19, 2026 12:00 a.m.	Election Period ends, Campaign Period begins
Sept. 21, 2026 4:00 p.m.	Declaration of Election by Voting or Acclamation
OCT. 7, 2026 8:00 A.M.– 8:00 P.M.	REQUIRED ADVANCE VOTING OPPORTUNITY
OCT. 17, 2026 8:00 A.M.– 8:00 P.M.	GENERAL VOTING OPPORTUNITY
Oct. 19-20, 2026	Determination and Declaration of Official Election Results

CONTACT INFORMATION

FRASER VALLEY REGIONAL DISTRICT ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATION

Chief Election Officer

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Chilliwack, BC V2P 1N6
Email: elections@fvrd.ca
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Fax: 604-792-9684

CAMPAIGN FINANCING AND THIRD PARTY SPONSOR/ADVERTISING INFORMATION

Elections BC

Ph: 1-800-661-8683 (toll free)
Email: electoral.finance@elections.bc.ca
Website: www.elections.bc.ca

LEGISLATIVE QUESTIONS – LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS

Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Governance and Structure Branch

PO Box 9839 Stn. Prov. Govt.

Victoria, BC V8W 9T1

Ph: 250-387-4020, 1-800-663-7867

Email: LGgovernance@gov.bc.ca

Website: www.gov.bc.ca/localelections

LEGISLATIVE QUESTIONS – SCHOOL TRUSTEES

Ministry of Education

PO Box 9045 Stn. Prov. Govt.

Victoria, BC V8W 9E2

Ph: 250-387-6121, 1-800-663-7867

Website: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/administration/legislation-policy/school-trustee-election-procedures>