

Interested in the direction of public schools?

You can run for your local school board if you are a registered voter in Arizona and live in the district. The term in office is four years.

[Find your School District](#)

School board members are responsible for all areas that affect students and staff in their schools, including hiring a Superintendent. Some roles and responsibilities are implicit.

Others are specifically mandated (A.R.S. §15-341) or allowed (§15-342) by Arizona law. School board members have no individual authority—the power of a school board exists only as a group. Everything board members do is focused on providing the best education possible for every child in their community.



Plan Now to Run for Your Local School Board

[Why you should run for school board.](#)

To run you must first file a [Statement of Interest Form](#) with the County Superintendent. Then you must collect the required number of signatures and file your petitions by July 8, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. The minimum signatures required is [different for each district, based on population](#).

Five school districts are within the boundaries of LD18:

- Amphitheater Unified
- Catalina Foothills
- Flowing Wells Unified
- Marana Unified
- Tucson Unified

Governing Board members who are up for re-election in 2024.

At this time, we do not know who will be running for re-election or not. Candidates must submit a statement of interest to the County Superintendent's office to begin collecting signatures. You can track who has submitted Statements of Interest

here: <https://www.schools.pima.gov/elections/governing-board-elections-and-candidate-information/2024-statement-of-interests>

Amphitheater Unified

- Deanna Day
- Vicki Cox Golder
- Scott Baker

Catalina Foothills

- Eileen Jackson
- Doug Hadley

Flowing Wells Unified

- Tom Jacobs
- Wendy Effing
- Jim Love

Marana Unified

- Hunter Holt
- Maribel Lopez
- Dan Post

Tucson Unified

- Natalie Luna Rose
- Sadie Shaw
- Ravi Shah (has informed us verbally his intention to run for re-election)

Here is a link to the database of all current Pima County governing board members and their

terms: http://pima-county-schools.s3.amazonaws.com/downloads/45/board_member_terms_2022-2026.pdf



School Governing Board Qualifications

Pursuant to [ARS 15-421 \(C\)](#), a person is eligible to run for a school governing board seat in Arizona when they meet the following qualifications:

- Registered voter in the state of Arizona
- Resident of the school district for at least one year immediately preceding the day of election

School governing board members cannot be an employee of the school district or be a spouse of a school district employee, including a person who directly provides certified or classified services to the school district as an employee of a third-party contractor.

Statement of Interest

According to [ARS 16-311 \(H\)](#), candidates must file a [Statement of Interest Form](#) with the Pima County School Superintendent's Office **before collecting nomination petition signatures**.

UPDATE: You can submit your statement of interest electronically. You can scan (or take a picture) and email your statement of interest to: jeanette.velasquez@pima.gov.

[CLICK HERE to view statement of interest filings for the 2024 election](#)

Statements of Organization (Campaign Finance)

- Must be filed ONLY when a candidate receives contributions OR makes expenditures – in any combination – of at least \$1,300 for the 2024 General Election Cycle.
- Candidates who will NOT reach the \$1,300 threshold are NOT required to file a Statement of Organization.
- If a candidate reaches the threshold, the [Statement of Organization](#) must be filed with the [Pima County Elections Department](#) located at 6550 S. Country Club Road.
- Candidates are no longer required to file this form before circulating petitions.

Filing Petition Signatures

The candidate filing period for the **November 5, 2024**, election begins **Saturday, June 8, 2024, at 8:00 a.m. and closes Monday, July 8, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.** (Due to the first filing date occurring on a Saturday, our office will begin accepting nonpartisan nomination petitions on **Monday, June 11, 2024, at 8:00 a.m.**). The filing location is the Pima County School Superintendent's Office located at 200 North Stone Ave, Tucson, AZ 85701. Candidates must file all required documents on time, or their names WILL NOT appear on the ballot.

Candidates must file the following original documents with our office for their name to appear on the ballot:

- PCSS Nonpartisan Nomination Paper (coming soon)
- [Nonpartisan Nomination Petition](#) (view a [SAMPLE of the nomination petition](#))

2024 Nonpartisan Petition Signature Requirements (available in January 2024)