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Forms that must be submitted by mail or in person include: Statements of Interest, Nonpartisan Petitions and Nomination Declaration forms. They must be received by the deadline or they will not be accepted. Statement of Organization and Candidate Website forms can be emailed.

All efforts have been made to ensure this packet is complete. Please verify that you have received all forms listed below. Please call our office if you need any forms, or you can download additional forms from our website www.pinalcso.org, click on the Superintendent's Office tab and then select Candidate Filing Information.

The candidate filing period begins Saturday, June 6, 2026 at 8:00 am and ends Monday, July 6, 2026 at 5:00 pm. The filing location is the Pinal County School Office (address listed above). Candidates must file all required documents on time or their names **WILL NOT** appear on the ballot.

Candidate Statement of Interest

- Candidate must complete, sign and submit this form **PRIOR TO ACQUIRING SIGNATURES**. The completed form must be submitted to the Pinal County School Office to be date stamped and recorded. A receipt will be provided.

Political Committee Statement of Organization

- **Must be filed ONLY when a candidate receives contributions OR makes expenditures, in any combination, of at least \$1,400 for the 2026 General Election cycle. THIS INCLUDES THE USE OF CANDIDATE'S OWN MONIES.**
- **Candidates who will NOT reach the \$1,400 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 Pinal County School Superintendent's Office within 10 days of exceeding the threshold amount of \$1,400.
- Campaign Finance reporting will be required when a Political Committee Statement of Organization has been filed.

- Open Seats** – this listing is informational only and does not require completion. It indicates the number of seats which will be open in your school district at the November election and the length of each term. Some school districts may have four-year terms and two-year terms, while other school districts may only have four-year terms. Please decide if you will be a candidate for the two-year term or the four-year term and then specify your choice on the Nomination Paper.

- Number of Signatures Required for 2026 School District Governing Board Elections-** this listing indicates the minimum number of qualified signatures required in order for your name to appear on the ballot in November. It is recommended that you obtain more than the minimum required in the event of ineligible signatures.

Nomination Paper

- Candidates must sign this form.
- A candidate's name must be written exactly how he or she would like it to be printed on the ballot. Nicknames are permissible as long as they do not suggest a title.
- **This form is filed with the Nomination Petitions. It cannot be accepted separately.**

Nonpartisan Nomination Petitions

- This is a two-sided form – Signatures are on one side and the Circulator Information is on the other side. This form **MUST** be back-to-back on paper or the entire petition will be invalidated.
- Nomination Petition Form must be on 8 ½ " x 11" paper and contain only 10 signature lines per page. Candidate must file at least the minimum number of signatures required for the office sought. If there are too few signatures, the Pinal County School Superintendent's Office will reject all the nomination petitions.
- A photograph of the candidate may appear on the Nonpartisan Nomination Petitions.
- Check the front of each petition for completeness of the following: the proper designation of office sought and term; is there a signature and complete date for each signer; is there a residence address, Arizona post office box, or description of actual residence for each signer?
- Check to see that the circulator portion on the back of each petition page is complete. Incomplete circulator information will cause the specific petition page to be rejected. A circulator must complete the affidavit on the back of the nomination petition attesting that each of the names on the petition was signed in the circulator's presence on the date indicated and that, in the circulator's belief, each signer was a qualified elector who resides at the address given as the signer's residence on the date indicated.

- Pinal County Candidate Website Form- 500 Word Statement-** this form is optional. It should be completed and will be posted on the Pinal County School Superintendent's website. The statement must be in electronic format with signature. If the form is not received by the deadline, the statement "*No Response Submitted*" will be posted on the website