



Glenbard Township High School District 87

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School Board nominating petitions available

Nominating petition forms for the April 5, 2005 school board election in Glenbard Township High School District 87 are available. Forms may be picked up in the office of board secretary Jo Ahrens at 596 Crescent Blvd. in Glen Ellyn weekdays from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Four seats on the seven-member board will be up for election in April. The terms of board president David Brown of Lombard, Richard Heim of Lombard, Brad Hutchins of Glen Ellyn and Kathy Schmidt of Glen Ellyn will expire in April. Candidates elected will serve four-year terms that expire in April 2009.

Candidates' nominating petitions cannot be circulated before Wednesday, Oct. 27.

A school board candidate's petition must be filed in the board secretary's office no earlier than 8 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 18 and no later than 5 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 25. The district office closes at 4:30 p.m. each day other than on the last day of filing (Tuesday, Jan. 25, 2005) when the office will be open until 5 p.m. as required by law.

Candidates' names will appear on the ballot in the order in which their nominating papers are received in the secretary's office.

School board candidates must be a U.S. citizen, at least 18 years old, a resident of Illinois and the Glenbard school district for at least one year immediately preceding the election, and a registered voter. Candidates need to be aware of financial conflict-of-interest prohibitions and exceptions.

Elections are nonpartisan, and board candidates do not indicate a political party affiliation.

Nominating papers may be filed by the candidate in person, by mail or by an agent. They consist of the following:

1. Nominating petitions signed by at least 50 voters living within the district. Petitions must be securely bound together with pages numbered consecutively, and each page must carry the notarized signature of the petition circulator.

2. Statement of candidacy, which includes a request that the candidate's name be placed on the official ballot, the address of the candidate, the office sought, and a statement that the candidate is qualified for the office and has filed (or will file before the close of the petition filing period) a statement of economic interests as required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act.
3. A receipt from the county clerk showing that the candidate has filed the statement of economic interests as noted above.

Other important dates for candidates are:

- Tuesday, Feb. 1: last day for filing objections to nominating papers in the office of the board secretary.
- Thursday, Feb. 3: last day for candidates to withdraw from nomination.

Further information on becoming a candidate in the April 5 election is available by contacting Jo Ahrens at (630) 469-9100 Ext. 5142 or the DuPage County clerk's office at (630) 682-7440.

Additional information about the nature and duties of serving on a school board is available in the Illinois Association of School Boards' free booklet, "Your School Board and You." The booklet is available on the association's Web site, http://www.iasb.com/free_pubs.htm. It also is available by writing to IASB, 2921 Baker Drive, Springfield, IL 62703.

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