

School Board

Constitutional Duties

“The school board shall operate, control and supervise all free public schools within the school district and determine the rate of school district taxes within the limits prescribed [by the constitution].” (Florida Constitution)

School Boards are also responsible for:

- Adopting curriculum and behavior standards and policies;
- Establishing schools, school attendance areas, and school calendar;
- Governing personnel matters;
- Collectively bargaining employee salaries;
- Adopting standards of ethical conduct for instructional personnel and school administrators.

<https://tinyurl.com/mrkkp4v9>

HOW PREPARED ARE YOUR CANDIDATES TO BE EFFECTIVE SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS?

Use our checklist inside to help you decide, and learn more about each candidate by:

- attending candidate forums
- reading their statements
- listening to them at school board meetings
- contacting them with your questions
- using school board candidate information at VOTE411.org, available for most districts.

About the League of Women Voters

The League of Women Voters (LWV) was founded over 100 years ago to educate voters and to promote democracy. The League remains non-partisan, never endorsing or opposing any candidate for public office.

Because local school board members play a vital role in creating educational policy for school districts, the League of Women Voters of Florida (LWVFL) provides voters this checklist that offers guidance on qualities to look for when voting for Board of Education candidates in your school district.

For more information about current education issues, please visit our website: <https://lwwfl.org/issues/education/>



Election Dates 2024

Primary Election: August 20
General Election: November 5

Keep in mind:

- Voters must request mail-in ballots for the 2024 election cycle.
- The deadline for mail-in ballot requests is 12 days before the election.
- **Many local races are decided in the Primary Elections.**

Voting for School Board Members



A Checklist for Making Smart Choices

*Your vote matters.
Your vote is your voice.*

