

Mount Prospect School District 57



MOUNT PROSPECT SCHOOL DISTRICT 57
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Dear Community Members,

Have you ever thought of serving your community by becoming a school board member?

An effective school board has an invaluable role in maintaining the quality of education in our local schools. The board sets the vision and goals for the district, allocates resources, and monitors progress. Each board member brings their own unique talents and qualifications to collaborate with other board members and the superintendent.

A typical school board meeting includes a variety of business items, such as approving the staffing plan, curriculum, adopting school district policy, and overseeing construction projects. The board also oversees the budget and financial projections. Effective school board members have the capacity to work on a team, with an open mind and an ability to engage in a productive conversation to reach a consensus. The willingness to be informed, learn, and be prepared to have effective meetings. The desire to serve our children and the community.

Residents of Mount Prospect School District 57 will elect three members for a 4-year term and one member for a 2-year term at our next consolidated election on April 4th, 2023. Candidates must be at least 18 years old, a U.S. citizen, a registered voter, and a resident of District 57 for at least one year. Candidates may begin circulating petitions and collecting signatures as of September 20, 2022. The nominating papers must be filed between December 12, 2022 and December 19, 2022 with the Cook County Clerk.

Nominating petitions and filing requirements can be obtained from the Cook County Clerk's Office or downloaded from their website. You may also get petitions and candidate information from the Illinois State Board of Elections: [Click here to access more information](#). The Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB) offers a webinar to help assist school board candidates with the petition process. They will also have additional webinars regarding the process of a school board candidate throughout the fall. Please check out the link: ["How to Navigate Running for School Board: Petition Circulation"](#)

Being a school board member requires a lot of time and energy, but it is very rewarding to give back to our community and help our children have the best education.

Sincerely,

Eileen Kowalczyk
School Board President
Mount Prospect School District 57

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