

Richards I.S.D. Board of Trustees

Election Cycle and Election Information

Position #1
2026, 2030
2034, 2038

Elected Nov 2022

Britney Ketkoski, Secretary
bketkoski@shsu.edu

Position #2
2026, 2030,
2034, 2038

Elected Nov 2022

Beau Conner, Member
beau.conner@uvlogistics.com

Position #3
2026, 2030,
2034, 2038

Elected Nov 2022

Phillip Burnett, Member
phillipburnett_77873@yahoo.com

Position #4
2026, 2030,
2034, 2038

Elected Nov 2022

Wendy Graves, President
wgraves0306@gmail.com

Position #5
2028, 2032,
2036, 2040

Appointed June 2023

Dan Hardin, Member
dlhardin@rocketmail.com

Elected Nov 2024

Position #6
2028, 2032,
2036, 2040

Elected May 1996

Jeannine Shead, Vice President
jeannine@fnbanderson.com

Election Nov 2024

Position #7
2028, 2032,
2036, 2040

Elected Nov 2024

Reed Edelman, Member
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Richards ISD

Board of Trustees – Election Information

Date and Location of Next Trustee Election (Tex. Gov't Code § 2051.152(a)(3))

Dates:

Depending on the trustee positions up for re-election; RISD only has trustee re-elections in the general election in November of even number years, the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November. Tex. Elec. Code § 41.001(a).

Voting Locations:

Walker County residents:

Any polling location in Walker County.

Montgomery County residents:

Longstreet Community Center

20240 Bays Chapel Road

Richards, Texas 77873

Grimes County residents:

Any polling location in Grimes County.

Requirements and Deadline for Filing for Candidacy (Tex. Gov't Code § 2051.152(a)(4))

Requirements:

An application for a place on the ballot can be picked up from the superintendent. The application must be in writing; signed, sworn to by the candidate before a person authorized to administer an oath, and dated; timely filed with the district superintendent; and contain specified information about the candidate:

- the candidate's name, date of birth, and occupation;
- the candidate's residence address or the address at which the candidate receives mail with a description of the location of the candidate's residence;
- the candidate's length of continuous residence in Texas and in the district (and single member district, if applicable) as of the date the candidate swears to the application;
- if available, a public mailing address and email address at which the candidate receives correspondence relating to the candidate's campaign;
- the office sought, including any place or other distinguishing number and an indication of whether the office sought is for a full or unexpired term;
- statements that the candidate is a U.S. citizen; has not been determined by a court to be mentally incapacitated; has not been convicted of a felony; is aware of the nepotism law; and swears an oath to support and defend the U.S. and Texas Constitutions and laws.

Eligibility:

An individual is eligible to be a candidate for, or elected or appointed to, a Texas school board if the individual:

- is a United States citizen;
- is 18 years of age or older on the first day of the term to be filled at the election or on the date of appointment, as applicable;
- has not been determined by a final judgment of a court exercising probate jurisdiction to be totally mentally incapacitated or partially mentally incapacitated without the right to vote;
- has not been finally convicted of a felony;
- has resided continuously in the state for 12 months and in the territory from which the office is elected for six months immediately preceding the following date:
 - for an independent candidate, the date of the regular filing deadline for a candidate's application for a place on the ballot;
 - for a write-in candidate, the date of the election at which the candidate's name is written in; or
 - for an appointee to an office, the date the appointment is made;
- is registered to vote in the territory from which the office is elected on the date described above; and
- satisfies any other eligibility requirements prescribed by law for the office.

Tex. Elec. Code § 141.001; Tex. Educ. Code § 11.066.

The Texas Education Code imposes additional requirements:

- To be elected to a school board, an individual must be a qualified voter: 18 years of age or older, a U.S citizen, a Texas resident, a registered voter, not determined to be totally or partially mentally incapacitated by an appropriate court, and not finally convicted of a felony. Tex. Educ. Code § 11.061; Tex. Elec. Code § 11.002.
- A person is ineligible to serve on a school board if the person has been convicted of a felony or an offense under Texas Penal Code section 43.02(b) regarding prostitution. Tex. Educ. Code § 11.066.

Deadline:

The first day to file an application for a place on the ballot in a school district's general election is the 30th day before the filing deadline. The filing deadline for a general election is 5 p.m. on the 78th day before Election Day. Tex. Educ. Code § 11.055(a); Tex. Elec. Code § 144.005. The deadline to file a declaration of write-in candidacy is 5 p.m. on the 74th day before Election Day.