

School Districts

School Districts - Thurston County is divided into nine separate school districts, each governed by a five-member board. The board's responsibilities include: budget, policy development, curriculum approval, planning, and communications. School board directors delegate authority for day-to-day functions to professional staff; however, they may never delegate ultimate responsibility. Board members are elected in a nonpartisan general election by voters

within that school district. They receive no salary. A board may approve a per diem compensation for its members for attending board meetings. In most districts, candidates must reside in the subdistrict for which they are seeking office. All candidates are elected by the voters of the entire school district.

All School District Positions are Nonpartisan.

Centralia School District No. 401-L - School Board Director, Position No. 1

Only voters in the Centralia School District will vote on this position.



My name is Michael J. Kelly and I am running for the Centralia School Board of Directors Position #1. I was born and raised in Centralia, where I attended Centralia Public Schools graduating in 1988. I am currently employed with TransAlta Centralia Generation as a Control & Electrical Technician. I also serve as a volunteer on TransAlta's Community Donations committee, which is often called upon to assist in funding local school programs. I am also an appointed member responsible for

setting policies relating to accident prevention of 300 plus employees within TransAlta's local power producing facilities. I have been married to my wife Shana for 19 years and we have four children who are currently enrolled in Centralia public schools. I am a serious stakeholder in ensuring an efficient, high quality public school system. I would greatly appreciate your vote to serve you as a Centralia School Board Director.

Michael J. Kelly

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Candidate Photo Not Submitted

No Candidate Statement Submitted

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Centralia School District No. 401-L - School Board Director, Position No. 5

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Candidate Photo Not Submitted

No Candidate Statement Submitted

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Griffin School District No. 324 - School Board Director, Position No. 4

Only voters in the Griffin School District will vote on this position.

Candidate Photo Not Submitted

My name is Neil Falkenburg. After serving 8 years on the Griffin Board, I have decided to run again as the district moves into what is arguably a very challenging time for public education. Griffin has seen dropping enrollment as the makeup of our community changes. We will continue to see lower levels of state funding until our economy and tax collections level out. Still, during this time, we need to concentrate on providing the educational opportunities expected by our community while protecting the revenues

entrusted to us. I will work hard to be innovative with the available funding while striving to keep our students learning at the highest level.

Neil Falkenburg

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Griffin School District No. 324 - School Board Director, Position No. 5

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I am very passionate about the education and support of children. Over the past twelve years, I have progressively gained career and volunteer experience in this area, including direct service work in the Early Childhood Education field, administrative and management of numerous family support and education programs, participation in community task forces and work groups that support children and their families as well as serving in various board positions at a local non-profit preschool.

My hope is that by serving on the Griffin school district board, I can utilize my skills, experience and community connections to ensure that good solid decisions are made that reflect the best interest of our children, support the Griffin staff in continuing to provide an exceptional learning environment for our kids and ensure that the voices of Griffin parents are heard and considered at the decision making level.

Thank you for this opportunity.

Patty Gregory

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Voting Instructions - How to mark your ballot

How To Mark Your Ballot



Incorrect Incorrect Incorrect Incorrect

Fill in the oval to the left of your desired selection. Use a dark ink pen. Do not use a pencil or gel pen.

If You Make A Mistake

~~George Washington~~
(This vote will not be counted)
 Thomas Jefferson
(This vote will be counted)

Do not erase any selection made in error. If you make a mistake, draw a line through the entire candidate's name.

If you wish to vote for another candidate, fill in the oval to the left of your chosen candidate.