### Information for Voters

School board trustees represent Island students, families, and community on each the Public Schools Branch (PSB) which oversees the English language school system and la Commission scolaire de langue française' (CSLF) which oversees the French language school system. School board elections are an opportunity for residents to have a say in the governance of the education system and ensure community representation at the school board level.

# Key dates for the upcoming school board elections:

Nomination period	September 8 – September 26, 2:00 p.m
Voter registration (online voting)	September 8 – October 17, 11:00 a.m
Voter registration (mail-in ballot)	September 8 – September 28, 11:59 p.m
Online voting	October 3, 12:00 p.m – October 17, 12:00 p.m
Mail-in ballots due to Elections PEI	October 17, 12:00 p.m

# What are the responsibilities of the English and French language school boards?

The PSB and CSLF are responsible for:

- Strategic planning and policy for public schools;
- Approving budgets and operational plans;
- Recruitment, employment, management and evaluation of school board staff;
- Transportation of students to and from school;
- Maintaining school facilities and ensuring safe learning environments;
- Delivering English/French as an additional language services; and
- Accountability to students, parents, community members, and the Minister for the performance and operations of the School Board.

School Boards are not responsible for developing curriculum.

#### Who can vote in a school board election?

You are eligible to vote for a PEI school board trustee if you are:

- a Canadian citizen;
- 18 years of age or older on the date of the election; and
- Resident in the province for the six months immediately preceding the date of election.
- An additional eligibility requirement for CSLF elections only: You must be a parent (or would be a parent if you had a child) who is eligible under the Education Act as "a resident of the province who, under section 23(link is external) of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms, has the right to have his or her child receive French first language instruction in the province."

#### How to Vote?

Elections PEI is administering the school board election. You may request a mail-in ballot or register to vote on-line through the Elections PEI web site.

#### Dates for Registering to Vote On-Line

The Registration Portal for On-Line Voting will open on **Monday**, **September 8**, **2025 at 9 a.m.** and close promptly on **Friday**, **October 17**, **2025 at 11:00 a.m.** 

# Dates for Registering to Vote by Mail In Ballot Monday, September 8, 2025 at 9 a.m. until Sunday, September 28, 2025 at 11:59 p.m. All Mail-In Ballots must be received by Elections PEI office by Friday, October 17, 2025 at 12 p.m. (noon)

## How do I know who is running in my electoral zone?

Your electoral zone is determined by where you live, not where your child(ren) attend school. A full list of electoral zones can be viewed here on the Elections PEI web site.

A lists of candidates will be available September 26, 2025 on the <u>Elections PEI</u> site and additional information about candidates and their profiles can be viewed on the <u>PEI Home and</u> School Federation site as well.

#### Who can I contact for more information?

For voting and nomination inquiries, please contact: Elections PEI(link is external)

Toll-free: 1-888-234-8683 Phone: 902-368-5895 Fax: 902-368-6500

info@electionspei.ca(link sends e-mail)

For school board election inquiries, please email: <a href="mailto:schoolboardelections@gov.pe.ca">schoolboardelections@gov.pe.ca</a>