

BOARD OF EDUCATION ELECTION PROTOCOL

Trustees and Trustee Candidates shall not use students, schools or school district property in any manner in their campaign for election to the Board of Education.

Trustees and Trustee Candidates shall not campaign on School District property.

School Visits by Candidates

Requests by Trustee Candidates to visit schools for the purpose of campaigning are not permitted. When a member of the Board of Education attends a school event, he/she shall be introduced as a Trustee but no comments may be voiced regarding the election campaign. Should a Candidate choose to attend a school event, the candidate may be introduced by name only without reference to the trustee election.

All Candidates Meetings

While recognizing the value of All Candidates Meetings anyone organizing an All Candidates Meeting in a building owned by the District must book the space through the School District's facility rentals in order to host such an event.

Distribution of Board of Education Election Campaign Materials

No trustee election campaign ads or materials may be distributed via school mail, school websites, or school social media. Campaign materials must not be displayed on school property nor distributed to students, parents or employees via schools, school mail, district e-mail or e-mail lists created for educational purposes.

It is recognized that neither the District nor its individual schools have control over what happens off school property.

Distribution of information about the election in general is permissible – for example, information regarding the date of the election and where the polling booths will be located.

Legal Reference: Section 85 School Act

SD No. 40 (New Westminster)

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