

# School Board Petitions in Union County are Due July 29



Union County, NJ - Union County Clerk Joanne Rajoppi reminds Union County residents seeking School Board positions in their municipality that the deadline for filing their nominating petitions is Monday, July 29, before 4:00 p.m. in the Main Office of the County Clerk, at 2 Broad Street in Elizabeth, Room 113.

“Service on a school board provides the public with an opportunity to contribute to the community,” said Ms. Rajoppi. “As a former board member, I encourage involvement in this important civic duty. Interested applicants should make note of the deadline.”

Ms. Rajoppi also advised applicants to be aware that a state law effective July 1, 2018 permits School Board Candidates to circulate petitions jointly. They may be bracketed together on the ballot if they wish with one or two other candidates.

The new law also permits a short non-political slogan not to exceed three words. Candidates are also required to file a specific affirmation that they have not been convicted of crimes that would disqualify them from office with their petition.

For more details about school board petitions, including a downloadable petition, visit the County Clerk’s elections website online at [unioncountyvotes.com/candidate-petition](http://unioncountyvotes.com/candidate-petition). A petition can also be obtained in person at the Main Office in Elizabeth.

Main Office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. The office may be reached by phone during office hours at 908-527-4996 with any inquiries regarding elections in Union County.

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