

Reykdal Announces Elections for State Board of Education

OLYMPIA—JUNE 26, 2017—Superintendent of Public Instruction Chris Reykdal will conduct an election in October 2017 for two positions on the State Board of Education: Eastern Region Position 2 and Western Region Position 5. These positions are four-year terms beginning the second Monday in January 2018.

The State Board is composed of [16 members](#):

- two members from the [eastern region](#) of the state, elected by public school directors;
- three members from the [western region](#), elected by public school directors;
- one member, at large, elected by approved private schools;
- the superintendent of public instruction;
- seven members appointed by the governor;
- and two student representatives selected by the state board itself.

Candidates must be residents of the region they wish to represent. They cannot be employed by any public or private school, college, university or other educational institution, any educational service district, or the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction after being elected to the State Board. Persons elected to the board may not concurrently serve as a member of the board of directors of either a public school district or a private school.

The State Board of Education helps develop programs that prepare each student for the future. It provides leadership, support and advocacy, through policy, to help each student achieve success in school and life. Membership on the board requires a considerable commitment of time for preparation and attendance at 2-3 day meetings throughout the year. More information can be found at www.sbe.wa.gov/membership.

All declarations of candidacy and candidate statements must be filed with the state superintendent's office in Olympia by September 16, 2017.

Elected board members will be sworn in at the January 2018 State Board of Education meeting.

On August 25, declaration of candidacy and candidate statement forms will be available through the [Administrative Resources website](#) or by mail at:

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