

INFORMATION REGARDING PETITIONS

To avoid disqualification of signatures on your petition, the following may be helpful:

1. **ONLY** persons qualified to vote in the election for the Enlarged City School District of Middletown, New York are eligible to sign petitions.
2. Petition should be signed with signature as it appears on the election register.
Example: "Ann B. Smith" - not Mrs. John R. Smith
"Ann B. Smith" - not A. B. Smith
Please make sure signature is legible; make sure all names are also printed.
3. All spaces on the form, including the date, should be filled in.
4. Ditto marks should not be used anywhere on the petition.
5. The signer's full address should be included in the space marked "address." The street or route number should be included if a post office number is used.
6. One Hundred (100) qualified signatures are required for placement on the ballot.

Questions

May a person carry more than one candidate's petition?

Yes, a qualified voter may carry more than one candidate's petition.

May a person sign more than one petition?

Yes. The purpose of signing a petition is to give the candidate the right to have his/her name printed on the official ballot. So, even though there is only one Board seat open this year, qualified voters may sign petitions for as many candidates as they wish. However, they must be careful to sign the petition for each candidate only one time.

Who is eligible to sign a petition?

You must be either a registered voter or a person qualified to register to vote. A person qualified to register to vote is defined as one who meets all the legal requirements to register to vote (18 years of age, U. S. citizen, resident of the school district 30 days prior to the vote, not a convicted felon, not adjudged incompetent), regardless of whether or not the person actually registers or plans to vote.