RAMIREZ COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEE ELECTION INFORMATION

NEXT GENERAL SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION:
November 5, 2024 (7 AM – 7 PM)

FILING PERIOD FOR CANDIDACY:
July 20, 2024 –5:00 pm (Place on Ballot)
July 20, 2024 5:00 pm (Write-in Candidacy)

ELECTION FORMS MAY BE PICKED UP AT THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION OFFICE.

One position which the term of office expires in November 2024
Position 1, currently held by Aracelis Pena;

ELECTION DAY LOCATIONS
The following designated polling places:

Ramirez Common School District
Precinct 4
10492 School St., Hwy 339, Realitos, Tx

Realitos Civic Center
Precinct 6
6411 Hwy 359, Realitos, Tx

Concepcion Civic Center
Precinct 3
2234 FM 716, Concepion, Tx

Benavides Civic Center
Precinct 2
131 W. Main Hwy 359, Benavides, Tx

Early voting by personal appearance shall be conducted jointly with Duval County during the normal business hours of the Duval County Clerk from Monday through Friday, between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. during the period early voting is required or permitted by law, being Monday, October 21, 2024 through Friday, November 1, 2024 at the following location and may possibly include a Saturday & Sunday voting.

Duval County Courthouse Early Voting
400 E. Gravis, San Diego, Tx

Benavides Civic Center
131 W. Main Hwy 359, Benavides, Tx

Early Voting Clerk: Bobby Gonzalez

Early voting by mail shall be conducted jointly with Duval County and applications shall be accepted as required or permitted by law through Tuesday, November 5, 2024 by the Duval County Clerk at the following mailing address or by fax:

Duval County Clerk Fax: 361-279-9297
Post Office Box 308, San Diego, Texas 78384
Early Voting Clerk: Bobby Gonzalez Ph. No. 361-279-6278

In all respects, the election shall be conducted in accordance with the Texas Election Code (the "Code"). Pursuant to the federal Help America Vote Act ("HAVA") and the Code, at each polling place there shall be at least one voting system that is equipped for disabled individuals, and each such voting system shall be a system that has been certified by the Texas Secretary of State as compliant with HAVA and the Code.

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER CANDIDATE REQUIREMENTS:

Form, Content, and Procedure: An application for a place on the ballot must be in writing; signed, sworn to by the candidate before a person authorized to administer an oath, and dated; timely filed with the district's filing authority (the superintendent's secretary); and contain specified information about the candidate:

- **the candidate's name, date of birth, and occupation;**
- **the candidate's residence address or the address at which the candidate receives mail with a description of the location of the candidate's residence;**
- **the candidate's length of continuous residence in Texas and in the district (and single member district, if applicable) as of the date the candidate swears to the application;**
- **if available, a public mailing address and email address at which the candidate receives correspondence relating to the candidate's campaign;**
- **the office sought, including any place or other distinguishing number and an indication**

of whether the office sought is for a full or unexpired term;
• statements that the candidate is a U.S. citizen; has not been determined by a court to be mentally incapacitated; has not been convicted of a felony; is aware of the nepotism law; and swears an oath to support and defend the U.S. and Texas Constitutions and laws.

Eligibility: An individual is eligible to be a candidate for, or elected or appointed to, a Texas school board if the individual:

• is a United States citizen;
• is 18 years of age or older on the first day of the term to be filled at the election or on the date of appointment, as applicable;
• has not been determined by a final judgment of a court exercising probate jurisdiction to be totally mentally incapacitated or partially mentally incapacitated without the right to vote;
• has not been finally convicted of a felony;
• has resided continuously in the state for 12 months and in the territory from which the

office is elected for six months immediately preceding the following date:

*** for an independent candidate, the date of the regular filing deadline for a candidate's application for a place on the ballot;**

*** for a write-in candidate, the date of the election at which the candidate's name is written in; or**

*** for an appointee to an office, the date the appointment is made;**

• is registered to vote in the territory from which the office is elected on the date described above; and

• satisfies any other eligibility requirements prescribed by law for the office.

Tex. Elec. Code § 141.001; Tex. Educ. Code § 11.066.

The Texas Education Code imposes additional requirements:

• To be elected to a school board, an individual must be a qualified voter: 18 years of age or older, a U.S citizen, a Texas resident, a registered voter, not determined to be totally or partially mentally incapacitated by an appropriate court, and not finally convicted of a

felony. Tex. Educ. Code § 11.061; Tex. Elec. Code § 11.002.

• A person is ineligible to serve on a school board if the person has been convicted of a felony or an offense under Texas Penal Code section 43.02(b) regarding prostitution. Tex. Educ. Code § 11.066.

Tuesday, November 5, 2024 - Uniform Election Date
Deadline to post candidate requirements5 Form 1-20

Sunday, November 5, 2023
Deadline to Post Notice of Candidate Filing Deadline (Local Non-County Political Subdivisions Only)
Thursday, June 20, 2024 for local political subdivisions that have a first day to file for their candidates[1]

First Day to Apply for Ballot by Mail Monday, January 1, 2024*
***First day to file does not move because of New Year's Day holiday. An "Annual ABBM" or FPCA for a January or February 2024 election may be filed earlier, but not earlier than the 60th day before the date of the January or February election.**

First Day to File for a Place on the General Election Ballot (Local Non-County Political Subdivisions Only)1

Monday, August 19, 204 at 5:00 p.m.
First Day to File a Declaration of Write-in Candidacy (General Election for State and County Officers)
Saturday, July 20, 2024

Last Day to Order General Election or Special Election on a Measure
Monday, August 19, 2024

Last Day to File for a Place on the General Election Ballot (Local Non-County Political Subdivisions Only)2
Monday, August 19, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.

See note below relating to four-year terms 3
Last Day to File a Declaration of Write-in Candidacy (General Election for State and County Officers)
Monday, August 19, 2024

Last Day to File a Declaration of Write-in Candidacy (Local Non-County Political Subdivisions Only)
Friday, August 23, 2024

Last Day to Register to Vote Monday, October 7, 2024

First Day of Early Voting by Personal Appearance Monday, October 21, 2024
Last Day to Apply for Ballot by Mail (Received, not Postmarked) Friday, October 25, 2024

Last Day of Early Voting by Personal Appearance Friday, November 1, 2024
Last day to Receive Ballot by Mail Tuesday, November 5, 2024 (Election Day) at 7:00 p.m. if carrier envelope is not postmarked, OR Wednesday, November 6, 2024 (next business day after Election Day) at 5:00 p.m. if carrier envelope is postmarked by 7:00 p.m. at the location of the election on Election Day (unless overseas or military voter deadlines apply)4
1 For the few entities who do not have a first day to file: For the May 4, 2024 election, Wednesday, January 17, 2024 is the deadline to post notice of candidate filing deadline for local political subdivisions that do not have a first day to file for their candidates. For the November 5, 2024 election, Saturday, July 20, 2024 is the deadline to

post notice of candidate filing deadline for local political subdivisions that do not have a first day to file for their candidates. Local political subdivisions include: cities, school districts, water districts, hospital districts, and any other local government entity that conducts elections. Many of these elections are conducted on the May uniform election date.

2 Filing deadlines: generally, the filing deadline is the 78th day prior to Election Day. The Code may provide a different special election filing deadline. See Section 201.054 of the Texas Election Code (the "Code"). Write-in deadlines for general and special elections vary. See the long calendar for this election date for details. The write-in deadline for most local (city, school, other) special elections is now the same day as the filing deadline for application for a place on the ballot. Section 201.054.

3 If no candidate for a four-year term has filed an application for a place on the ballot for a city office, the filing deadline for that office is extended to 5 p.m. of the 57th day before the election. For the May 4, 2024 election, this is Friday, March 8, 2024.

See Section 143.008 of the Code.

4 Different deadlines apply to the last day to receive ballots sent by the following: 1) non-military and military voters who mailed ballots from overseas and submitted a regular state Application for Ballot by Mail ("ABBM"), 2) non-military voters who mailed ballots from overseas and who submitted a Federal Postcard Application ("FPCA"), and (3) military voters and members of the Texas National Guard, who mailed ballots domestically or from overseas and who submitted an FPCA. See Secs. 86.007, 101.001 and 101.057 of the Code.

5 Section 2051.201 of the Government Code requires all political subdivisions with the authority to impose a tax maintain a publicly accessible Internet website and post the date and location of the next election for officers of the political subdivision and the requirements and deadline for filing for candidacy of each elected office of the political subdivision, which shall be continuously posted for at least one year before the election day for the office.

Please contact the Elections Division of the Office of the Texas Secretary of State at 1-800-252-VOTE (8683) for additional information.