

# 2020 SPECIAL DISTRICTS QUALIFYING PROCEDURE

(Dates are subject to change)

## Florida Statute 99.061

All special district candidates shall qualify by paying a filing fee of \$25.00 or by the petition process pursuant to Florida Statute 99.095. Notwithstanding Florida Statute 106.021, a Special District candidate who does not collect contributions and whose only expense is the filing fee or signature verification fee is not required to appoint a campaign treasurer or designate a primary campaign depository.

### Candidates who WILL NOT incur election expenses or contributions will do the following:

1. If you choose to file by petition method, you need to collect 25 signatures of qualified electors in the district.  
*Petitions must be submitted by Noon on May 11, 2020.*
2. Qualifying begins at **Noon on June 8 and ends at Noon on June 12, 2020**. To qualify you must present the items listed below (all items MUST be received by the end of the qualifying period):
  - Form 1 – Statement of Financial Interest
  - Loyalty Oath/Oath of Candidate
  - The amount of \$25.00 for your qualifying fee.
  - Candidates filing by the petition method are not required to pay the qualifying fee, however, will be charged .10 for each petition card viewed.

### Candidates who WILL incur election expenses or contributions will do the following:

1. File DS-DE9 Appointment of Campaign Treasurer/Designation of Campaign Depository (open campaign account). This may be completed at any time prior to qualifying, but MUST be completed by the time you qualify.
2. Read Chapter 106 of the Florida Statutes, and submit a Statement of Candidate.
3. If you choose to file by petition method, you need to collect 25 signatures of qualified electors in the district. Form DS-DE9 Appointment of Campaign Treasurer Designation of Campaign Depository must be filed prior to collecting petitions. *Petitions must be submitted by Noon on May 11, 2020.*
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