

**SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS  
2020 CANDIDATE INFORMATION SHEET**



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<b>Term of Office</b>	4-year term (FS 100.041, 1001.46; Article IX and XII, Florida Constitution)
<b>Election Date(s)</b>	Primary, August 18, 2020 and/or General, November 3, 2020 (FS 100.031, 100.041, 100.051, 100.061, DE 07-06, Article VI, Florida Constitution)
<b>Commencement of Term</b>	November 17, 2020 (FS 100.041)
<b>Qualifications</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Candidate must be a registered voter in Nassau County (FS 97.041, 99.021)</li> <li>▪ Candidate must reside in the county at the time of assuming office (DE Guide 0008)</li> </ul>
<b>Electorate</b>	Eligible registered voters in Nassau County (FS 97.041, Article VI, Florida Constitution)
<b>Annual Salary</b>	\$117,773.00 (subject to change) (FS 1001.47)
<b>Qualifying Fee</b>	Partisan candidates: 6% of the annual salary (FS 99.061, 99.092) No Party Affiliation candidates: 4% of the annual salary (FS 99.092, 99.0955)
<b>Qualifying Period</b>	<b>Begins:</b> Noon, June 8, 2020 <b>Ends:</b> Noon, June 12, 2020 (FS 99.061)
<p><b>Partisan Candidate:</b> Deadline For Political Party Affiliation Change:</p> <p><b>Qualifying Methods:</b> Qualifying Fee OR Petition Process</p> <p><b>Filing For Office:</b> Forms Required</p> <p><b>Petition Information:</b> Petition Form Petition Deadline Petition Fee for Verification</p> <p><b>Prior To Closing Campaign Account:</b></p>	<p>Any person seeking to qualify for nomination as a candidate of any political party shall affirm that the person has not been a registered member of any other political party for 365 days before the beginning of qualifying preceding the general election for which the person seeks to qualify. (FS 99.021)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Deadline for county office candidates to change party for the 2020 election cycle is: <b>JUNE 16, 2019</b> <b>THE FORMS AND PUBLICATIONS LISTED BELOW ARE AVAILABLE AT: <a href="http://www.VoteNassau.com">www.VoteNassau.com</a></b></li> </ul> <p><b>Qualifying Fee:</b> Partisan candidates: \$7,066.38 No Party Affiliation candidates: \$4,710.92 (General Election Only FS 99.0955)</p> <p><b>OR</b></p> <p><b>Petition Process:</b> 668 valid petitions required</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>DS-DE 9 Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository</b> is required to be filed with the SOE office <b>prior</b> to opening a campaign account, accepting or expending funds and reproducing petitions for circulation (FS 99.061, 99.095, 99.096, 106.021)</li> <li>▪ <b>DS-DE 84 Statement of Candidate</b> is required to be filed within 10 days <b>after</b> Form DS-DE 9 has been filed with the SOE office (FS 106.023)</li> <li>▪ <b>DS-DE 104 Candidate Petition</b> is the petition format prescribed by the Division of Elections and shall be used by the candidate to reproduce petitions for circulation (FS 99.061, 99.095, 99.096)</li> <li>▪ <b>May 11, 2020, prior to Noon</b>, all petitions for verification must be submitted to the SOE office (FS 99.061, 99.095, 99.096, 99.097)</li> <li>▪ The SOE shall be <b>paid in advance</b> the sum of 10 cents for each signature verified (FS 99.097)</li> <li>▪ If a candidate cannot pay such charges without imposing an undue burden on personal resources or on the resources otherwise available to the candidate, an <i>Affidavit of Undue Burden</i> may be filed with the SOE to have the signatures verified at no charge (FS 99.097)</li> <li>▪ Prior to disposing of surplus funds in the campaign account, a candidate (excluding a write-in candidate) who qualified by the petition process and filed an <i>Affidavit of Undue Burden</i> to waive the petition signature verification fee, must reimburse the SOE the amount of the waived fee (FS 106.141)</li> </ul>
<p><b>Qualifying Forms and Fee (If applicable)</b></p> <p><b>All items in red must be filed before the end of the qualifying period.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Notarized DS-DE 301SL Candidate Oath State and Local Partisan Office</b> (FS 99.021, 99.061, 99.0955, 99.096, Rule 1S-2.0001, F.A.C.)</li> <li>▪ <b>Commission on Ethics Form 6 Full and Public Disclosure of Financial Interests</b> (available early 2020) (FS 99.061; Rule 34-8.002, F.A.C.; Article II, Section 8, Florida Constitution)</li> <li>▪ <b>Qualifying Fee:</b> A candidate selecting to pay the qualifying fee <b>or</b> who is unable to meet the petition requirement shall submit a properly executed check drawn upon the candidate's campaign account (FS 99.061, 99.092, 99.0955, 99.096)</li> <li>▪ <b>Write-In Candidate:</b> Please refer to the <i>Candidate Information Sheet for Write-In Candidates</i> (FS 99.021, 99.061, 99.0615)</li> </ul>
<p><b>Important Publications to Read and Understand</b> Forms and publications listed in this document are available at <a href="http://www.VoteNassau.com">www.VoteNassau.com</a> (click "Candidate Information" under RESOURCES on the right-hand side of the home page).</p>	<p>Please refer to the following resources:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <i>Potential Conflict of Interest, Resign to Run Law, and the Hatch Act</i></li> <li>▪ <i>The Election Laws of the State of Florida</i></li> <li>▪ <i>Florida Division of Elections Candidate and Campaign Treasurer Handbook</i></li> <li>▪ <i>Nassau County Candidate Handbook</i></li> <li>▪ <i>Nassau County Electronic Filing System Guidelines for Candidates &amp; Committees</i></li> <li>▪ <i>Florida Division of Elections Supervisor's Handbook on Candidate Qualifying</i></li> <li>▪ <i>Florida Division of Elections Supervisor's Handbook on Candidate Petitions</i></li> </ul>

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