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## MEDIA ADVISORY

### SCHOOL COUNCIL GENERAL ELECTION UPDATE INFORMATION SESSION ON MONDAY, APRIL 22 AT 6:30 PM

Elections Yukon and the Department of Education are co-hosting a Zoom information session on Monday, April 22 at 6:30 pm. All Yukon parents, guardians, and community members are invited to attend to learn about school councils and the nomination process and to have their questions answered by department and elections staff.

Candidate nominations for the 17 Yukon education school councils opened on Monday, April 15. Candidates have one week left to submit nomination papers. All nominations must be submitted to the returning officer appointed to the school before noon on Thursday, April 25.

Yukoners considering putting their name forward as a candidate can visit [ElectionsYukon.ca](http://ElectionsYukon.ca) to find nomination packages, returning officer contact information, and more information about the school council election process.

#### Quick facts

- The Zoom link is <https://yukonedu.zoom.us/j/64952795746>  
Registration is not required.
- The deadline to submit nomination papers is Thursday, April 25, 2024, at 12 noon.
- There are 86 elected positions on school councils. To date, 13 nominations have been received, leaving 85% of elected positions vacant.
- There are 17 Yukon education schools with councils. To date, 10 schools, or 59%, are without any confirmed candidates.
- Returning officer contact information and nomination papers can be found at [ElectionsYukon.ca](http://ElectionsYukon.ca)

#### Information updates

To learn about the nomination process, who is running as a candidate, and important election updates, visit [ElectionsYukon.ca](http://ElectionsYukon.ca).

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For information about school councils, visit [yukon.ca/school-councils](http://yukon.ca/school-councils).

## 2024 SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS CANDIDATE UPDATE

### Candidate nominations received to date, by Yukon education school

SCHOOL		# ELECTED POSITIONS	# CONFIRMED CANDIDATES	% VACANT	
Catholic schools	Christ the King Elementary School	5	0	100%	
	Holy Family Elementary School	5	2	60%	
	St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Secondary School	5	0	100%	
Whitehorse-area schools	École Selkirk Elementary School	5	0	100%	
	École Whitehorse Elementary School	7	0	100%	
	Elijah Smith Elementary School	3	0	100%	
	F.H. Collins Secondary School	7	0	100%	
	Golden Horn Elementary School	5	1	80%	
	Hidden Valley School	5	0	100%	
	Jack Hulland Elementary School	7	5	29%	
	Porter Creek Secondary School	7	1	86%	
	Whistle Bend Elementary School	5	1	80%	
Community schools	Del Van Gorder School (Faro)	5	0	100%	
	J.V. Clark School (Mayo)	3	2	33%	
	Khàtinaxh Community School (Teslin)	3	0	100%	
	Robert Service School (Dawson)	6	0	100%	
	Tantalus School (Carmacks)	3	1	67%	
The list of candidates can be found on <a href="https://ElectionsYukon.ca">ElectionsYukon.ca</a>		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>85%</b>

### Who can be nominated as a candidate

Yukoners can be nominated or vote in a school council election if they are a Canadian citizen, at least 18 years of age, and either:

- the parent/guardian of a student attending the school
- AND/OR**
- have been a resident\* in the school's attendance area for at least three (3) months.

\*School council elections at the three Whitehorse Catholic schools require residents to also be registered parishioners at Sacred Heart Cathedral parish or Our Lady of Victory parish. Catholics who are unregistered can contact the Catholic Diocese of Whitehorse to discuss other options.

### How to be nominated as a candidate

Yukoners considering putting their names forward for school council must submit their completed nomination papers to the [returning officer](#) appointed to their school **before noon on Thursday, April 25, 2024.**

Candidate nomination packages can be downloaded from [ElectionsYukon.ca](https://ElectionsYukon.ca) or picked up from:

- schools with councils,
- school returning officers
- Elections Yukon's office in Whitehorse.