



**VOTERS' PAMPHLET
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2024

CANDIDATE GUIDE

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Letter from the Auditor

Dear Candidate:

Congratulations on your decision to run for office! This guide is a valuable tool for your candidacy. It contains information and instructions you will find helpful for your campaign. Please take time to review this guide.

You must do the following to become a candidate:

- File with the Public Disclosure Commission at pdc.wa.gov
- Complete a Declaration of Candidacy during Candidate Filing Week
- Pay filing fees (if any)

Candidate Filing Week is May 6 - 10. You may file:

- Online: Starting 8 a.m. May 6 through 5 p.m. May 10 at ThurstonWAVotes.gov
- By mail: April 22 through May 10 (must be *received* no later than 5 p.m. on Friday, May 10)
- In person: May 6 through May 10, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Thurston County Elections Division

We invite candidates to include their photo, campaign contact information, and statement in the local voters' pamphlet. To learn more about what you need for submission, see page 10 of this guide.

Submit these materials electronically using one of the following:

- Online: State-provided link after approval of your candidate filing
- Email: pamphlet@co.thurston.wa.us
- In person:* Thurston County Auditor's Office, Elections Division
2400 Evergreen Park Dr SW
Olympia, WA 98502
*Materials must be on an electronic storage device.

We will use a single statement in the Primary and General Election voters' pamphlets. Your statement and photo are due by Tuesday, May 21 at 5:00 p.m. **Late submissions will not be accepted.**

The Elections staff stands ready to serve you. Please contact us at 360.786.5408 if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Mary Hall

Mary Hall, Auditor

Government Office Positions Subject to Election in 2024

Office	Incumbent	Filing Fee	Term
Federal Offices			
President/Vice President	Joseph R. Biden/Kamala D. Harris	\$0	4
U.S. Senator	Maria Cantwell	\$1,740.00	6
U.S. Representative District 3	Marie Gluesenkamp Perez	\$1,740.00	2
U.S. Representative District 10	Marilyn Strickland	\$1,740.00	2
State of Washington			
Governor	Jay Inslee	\$1,982.57	4
Lieutenant Governor	Denny Heck	\$1,241.27	4
Secretary of State	Steve Hobbs	\$1,457.14	4
Treasurer	Mike Pellicciotti	\$1,625.55	4
Auditor	Pat (Patrice) McCarthy	\$1,457.14	4
Attorney General	Bob Ferguson	\$1,875.43	4
Commissioner of Public Lands	Hilary Franz	\$1,619.05	4
Superintendent of Public Instruction	Chris Reykdal	\$1,619.05	4
Insurance Commissioner	Mike Kreidler	\$1,457.14	4
State Legislature			
2nd Legislative District, Senator	Jim McCune	\$601.91	4
2nd Legislative District, Representative Pos. 1	Andrew Barkis	\$601.91	2
2nd Legislative District, Representative Pos. 2	JT Wilcox	\$601.91	2
19th Legislative District, Senator	Jeff Wilson	\$601.91	4
19th Legislative District, Representative Pos. 1	Jim Walsh	\$601.91	2
19th Legislative District, Representative Pos. 2	Joel McEntire	\$601.91	2
20th Legislative District, Senator	John Braun	\$601.91	4
20th Legislative District, Representative Pos. 1	Peter Abbarno	\$601.91	2
20th Legislative District, Representative Pos. 2	Ed Orcutt	\$601.91	2
22nd Legislative District, Senator	Sam Hunt	\$601.91	4
22nd Legislative District, Representative Pos. 1	Beth Doglio	\$601.91	2

Government Office Positions Subject to Election in 2024

22nd Legislative District, Representative Pos. 2	Jessica Bateman	\$601.91	2
35th Legislative District, Representative Pos. 1	Daniel Griffey	\$601.91	2
35th Legislative District, Representative Pos. 2	Travis Couture	\$601.91	2
Thurston County			
Commissioner, District 1	Carolina Mejia	\$1,395.60	4
Commissioner, District 2	Gary Edwards	\$1,395.60	4
Commissioner, District 4	Wayne Fournier	\$1,395.60	4
Supreme Court			
Supreme Court, Justice Pos. 2	Susan Owens	\$2,398.68	6
Supreme Court, Justice Pos. 8	Steve Gonzalez	\$2,398.68	6
Supreme Court, Justice Pos. 9	Sheryl Gordon McCloud	\$2,398.68	6
Court of Appeals, Division 2, District 2			
District Court Judge, Pos. 2	Rebecca Glasgow	\$2,283.38	6
Superior Court			
Superior Court Judge, Pos. 1	Chris Lanese	\$2,173.91	4
Superior Court Judge, Pos. 2	Christine Schaller	\$2,173.91	4
Superior Court Judge, Pos. 3	Carol Murphy	\$2,173.91	4
Superior Court Judge, Pos. 4	Allyson Zipp	\$2,173.91	4
Superior Court Judge, Pos. 5	Mary Sue Wilson	\$2,173.91	4
Superior Court Judge, Pos. 6	Anne Egeler	\$2,173.91	4
Superior Court Judge, Pos. 7	John C. Skinder	\$2,173.91	4
Superior Court Judge, Pos. 8	Sharonda D. Amamilo	\$2,173.91	4
Superior Court Judge, Pos. 9	Indu Thomas	\$2,173.91	4
Public Utility District			
PUD Commissioner, District 1	Linda L. Oosterman	\$280.68	6
Precinct Committee Officers			
All precincts, both parties		None	2

All filing fees are nonrefundable.

RCW 29A.24.131

Position Descriptions - Local

County Commissioner

Position Description	County commissioners set the budget for the county, adopt and repeal county ordinances, and serves on boards and commissions such as the Intercity Transit Authority, the Thurston County Parks Board and the Chehalis Basin Partnership.
Qualifications	Candidates must be registered voters and residents of their district at the time of filing (RCW 29A.24.075).
For Your Consideration	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• In the Primary Election, only voters within the district may vote for the candidates.• In the General Election, all voters in the county may vote on the county commissioner positions.

Public Utility District Commissioner

Position Description	A Public Utility District (PUD) commissioner establishes PUD policies, sets utilities rates, adopts plans for electric and water utilities, and sets the budget.
Qualifications (RCW 54.12.010)	Candidates must be registered voters and residents of their district at the time of filing (RCW 29A.24.075).
For Your Consideration	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• In the Primary Election, only voters within the district may vote for the candidates.• In the General Election, all voters in the county may vote on the PUD commissioner position.

Precinct Committee Officer

Position Description	A Precinct Committee Officer (PCO) is a partisan elected official who links a political party to the voters in a precinct. A PCO may conduct voter registration, lead “get out the vote” efforts, distribute campaign and party information, promote the party, and address voter concerns.
Qualifications	Candidates must be a registered voter and reside in the precinct at the time of filing.
For Your Consideration	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• If only one person files for office, he or she is deemed elected.• Only contested PCO races in the same party will appear on the ballot.• If no one files for office, the position will be filled by the county central committee of the appropriate political party.• No special three-day filing period is allowed for vacancies.• Write-in candidates are not permitted.• The PCO term is two years, running from December 1, 2024 through November 30, 2026. <p>PCO candidate information will not appear in the local voters’ pamphlet.</p>

New for 2024:
17 year olds who will be 18 by the Primary Election may file for PCO before their 18th birthday.

2024 Key Filing Dates

Filing for office by mail Must be received on the 10 th by 5 p.m.	April 22 - May 10	(RCW 29A.24.081)
Filing Week In person 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Online Monday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Friday	May 6 - 10	(RCW 29A.24.040, 050)
Lot draw for ballot order	May 10, 5:15 p.m.	(RCW 29A.36.131)
Last day for candidate withdrawal (Must be in writing)	May 13, 5 p.m.	(RCW 29A.24.131)
Last day to file as declared write-in candidate	Primary: July 18, 4:30 p.m. August 6, 8:00 p.m. General: October 17, 4:30 p.m. November 5, 8:00 p.m.	(WAC 434.215.180) (No filing fee) (Must pay filing fee) (No filing fee) (Must pay filing fee)

Get connected with the Elections Division!



Thurston County
Auditor's Office



New Website:
ThurstonWAVotes.gov

Election Calendar



April 22, 2024	First day to file by mail (RCW 29A.24.081)
May 6, 2024	First day to file for office (RCW 29A.24.050)
May 10, 2024	Last day to file for office (RCW 29A.24.050)
May 13, 2024	Last day to withdraw (RCW 29A.24.131)
May 21, 2024	Last day to submit Local Voters' Pamphlet information and photo by 5:00 p.m.
June 21, 2024	Overseas and military ballots with Voters' Pamphlets mailed for the Primary Election (RCW 29A.40.070)
July 8, 2024	Approximate day of Voters' Pamphlet mailing to local households
July 17, 2024	Local ballots mailed, voting center open, and accessible units available at the Thurston County Elections Division for the Primary Election (RCW 29A.40.070)
July 18, 2024	Last day to file as a write-in candidate without paying a filing fee
July 29, 2024	Last day to register or change your address online, by mail, or any other means (other than in person) for the Primary Election. Must be received by an election official (RCW 29A.08.140)
August 6, 2024	Voter must appear in person to change their address or register to vote for the Primary. We're open until 8 p.m. on Election Day (RCW 29A.08.140)
August 6, 2024	Last day to file as a write-in candidate for the Primary Election, must pay filing fee by 8 p.m. (RCW 29A.24.311)
August 6, 2024	PRIMARY ELECTION (RCW 29A.04.311)
August 20, 2024	County certification of the Primary (RCW 29A.60.190)
August 23, 2024	State certification of the Primary (RCW 29A.60.240)
September 20, 2024	Overseas and military ballots with Voters' Pamphlets mailed for the General Election (RCW 29A.40.070)
October 7, 2024	Approximate day of Voters' Pamphlet mailing to households
October 10, 2024	Local ballots mailed (RCW 29A.40.070)
October 16, 2024	Voting center open and accessible units available at the Thurston County Elections Division for the General Election
October 17, 2024	Last day to file as a write-in candidate without paying a filing fee
October 28, 2024	Last day to register or change your address online, by mail, or any other means other than in person for the General Election. Must be received by an election official (RCW 29A.08.140)
November 5, 2024	Voter must appear in person to change their address or register to vote for the General. We're open until 8 p.m. on Election Day (RCW 29A.08.140)
November 5, 2024	Last day to file as a write-in candidate for the General Election, must pay filing fee by 8 p.m. (RCW 29A.24.311)
November 5, 2024	GENERAL ELECTION (RCW 29A.04.321)
November 26, 2024	County certification of the General Election (RCW 29A.60.190)
December 5, 2024	State certification of the General Election (RCW 29A.60.250)



Where to file

Washington State

File at sos.wa.gov or in person 416 Sid Snyder Ave SW, Olympia, WA 98501

Candidates file with the Secretary of State for the following offices:

- Federal Offices
- Statewide offices
- Legislative Offices
- Judicial Offices

Thurston County

Filing information below

Candidates file with the Thurston County Elections Division for the following offices:

- County Commissioner, Districts 1, 2, & 4
- PUD Commissioner, District 1
- Precinct Committee Officers

How to file in Thurston County

Thurston County prefers candidates file electronically at ThurstonWAVotes.gov. For mail and in-person candidate filing, visit the Elections Division (address below).

Requirements

- Be a registered voter of the district and meet the residency requirements for the office you are filing for.
- Pay filing fee by Visa, MasterCard, American Express, cash, check, or filing fee petition (see next page).
- Your name will not appear on any official list as a candidate for office until your Declaration of Candidacy is approved and your filing fee is paid.
- Provide an email address.

Filing deadline is 5 p.m. on Friday, May 10, 2024

In-person: Thurston County Elections Division
2400 Evergreen Park Dr SW
Olympia, WA 98502

By mail: 2000 Lakeridge Dr SW
Olympia, WA 98502

Online: ThurstonWAVotes.gov

Filing for Office



How & When to Submit Your Statement, Photo & Contact Information

Send your photo, statement, and contact information by using the link provided by the state, emailing pamphlet@co.thurston.wa.us, or mailing an electronic version to:

Thurston County Elections Division
2000 Lakeridge Dr SW
Olympia, WA 98502

Photo & statement deadline is Tuesday, May 21, 2024 at 5 p.m.

Candidates Collecting Signatures in Lieu of a Filing Fee RCW 29A.24.091, 101, 111

Candidates may submit a filing fee petition in lieu of filing fee.

- The petition must be presented with the Declaration of Candidacy.
- The form is available on the Elections Division website: ThurstonWAVotes.gov under Candidates & Jurisdictions.
- The form must contain one **valid**, registered voter signature for each dollar of the filing fee. For example, if the filing fee is \$421.06, the petition must contain 421 valid signatures of registered voters in the district/jurisdiction of the office you are seeking.
- Gather extra signatures to allow for invalid ones. You can't submit additional signatures if you don't meet the number needed.
- No signatures may be submitted after Fri, May 10, 2024 at 5 p.m.
- Petitions cannot be combined with money for the filing fee.

Write-in Candidates RCW 29A.24.311

Declaration of Candidacy for Write-in Candidates

Primary:

July 18, 4:30 p.m. - No filing fee

August 6, 8:00 p.m. - Must pay filing fee

General:

October 17, 4:30 p.m. - No filing fee

November 5, 8:00 p.m. - Must pay filing fee

Candidate Order on Ballot RCW 29A.36.131, 170

In the Primary Election, candidate order on the ballot is determined by random lot draw. Then, the candidate with the most votes in the Primary Election is listed first on the General Election ballot. If there isn't a primary, the lot drawing conducted at the end of filing week will be the order on the ballot for the General.

Voters' Pamphlet Information

The deadline to submit Voters' Pamphlet information for the Primary and General Elections is **Tuesday, May 21, 2024 at 5 p.m.** Send your statement and photo as early as possible.

The pamphlet provides an opportunity for candidates to publish a current photo, statement and campaign information.

If you experience technical problems, call the Elections Division immediately. **Technical difficulties will not excuse candidates from meeting the deadline.** Thurston County publishes an official pamphlet for every election.

Since 2020:

Local Thurston County Office:

*Submits to Thurston County

*Uses Thurston County Administrative Rules

*Biography is now allowed

Thurston County	Word Limit	Formatting
Local Offices	200 words 4 paragraphs	Allowed: Italics Not Allowed: Bold, ALL CAPS, underlining, lists, bullets
Contact Information	Not included in word count; must be provided.	Allowed: Campaign name, phone, at least one method of contact, email, website, or address must be provided. Not Allowed: Titles (Dr., President)
Biography	100 words divided into four categories	Elected Experience, Other Experience, Education, Community Service

***The complete Administrative Rules for Candidates can be found at ThurstonWAVotes.gov**

Local Voters' Pamphlet Statement/Photo:

Submit statement and photo electronically using one of the following:

- The link emailed to you when your filing was approved
- Email to: pamphlet@co.thurston.wa.us
- Electronic storage device to:
Thurston County Elections Division,
2400 Evergreen Park Dr SW, Olympia, WA 98502

Matchback Reports

A matchback report contains information regarding ballots received, accepted, or challenged during a specific election. All voter information in these reports is public information. Usage of this data is subject to RCW 29A.08.720 and RCW 29A.08.740. Use the form available at ThurstonWAVotes.gov or contact us at elections@co.thurston.wa.us or call 360.786.5408 to request more information. **Voter Data Requests must be directed to the Office of the Secretary of State. Contact information on page 13.**

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

Sign violation complaints do not fall under the jurisdiction of Thurston County Elections.

For sign regulations in your city/town, please contact your local Public Works Department.

Did you know that a person who turns 18 between the August Primary and the November General Election can vote in the Primary?!



Questions? Contact our office!

360.786.5408 or Elections@co.thurston.wa.us

ThurstonWAVotes.gov

Guidelines: Voting Center & Ballot Drop Boxes

RCW 29A.84.510 Acts prohibited in voting center

(1) During the voting period that begins eighteen days before and ends the day of a special election, general election, or primary, no person may:

(a) Within a voting center or student engagement hub or in any public street or room in any public manner within 100 feet measured radially from the entrance to a voting center or student engagement hub or 25 feet measured radially from a ballot drop box as described in RCW 29A.40.170:

(i) Suggest or persuade or attempt to suggest or persuade any voter to vote for or against any candidate or ballot measure;

(ii) Circulate cards or handbills of any kind;

(iii) Solicit signatures to any kind of petition; or

(iv) Engage in any practice which interferes with the freedom of voters to exercise their franchise or disrupts the administration of the voting center;

(b) Engage in any activities restricted under (a) of this subsection through electronic amplification located more than 100 feet from an entrance to a voting center or student engagement hub or 25 feet from an entrance to a ballot drop box if the person is capable of being understood within 100 feet of the voting center or student engagement hub or 25 feet of the ballot drop box;

(c) Obstruct the doors or entries to a building in which a voting center or ballot drop location is located or prevent free access to and from any voting center or ballot drop location.

(2) The auditor shall post a sign at the point or points specified at each voting center as required by RCW 29A.40.160 during the voting period providing notice of the prohibition in subsection (1)(a) of this section.

(3) Any sheriff, deputy sheriff, or municipal law enforcement officer shall stop the prohibited activity, and may arrest any person engaging in the prohibited activity.

(4) Any violation of this section is a gross misdemeanor, punishable to the same extent as a gross misdemeanor that is punishable under RCW 9A.20.021, and the person convicted may be ordered to pay the costs of prosecution.

(5) Nothing in this section may be construed to limit or otherwise restrict the access of an authorized political party observer to a voting center, student engagement hub, or ballot drop box for the purpose of observing the election process.

RCW 29A.84.540 Ballots - Removing from voting center or ballot drop box location.

"Any person who, without lawful authority, removes a ballot from a voting center or ballot drop location is guilty of a class C felony punishable to the same extent as a class C felony that is punishable under RCW 9A.20.021."

RCW 9.41.284 - Possessing dangerous weapons at voting facilities

Weapons are prohibited in the ballot processing center. No weapon, whether concealed or openly carried, may be possessed in any ballot counting center or areas of facilities while being used as a ballot counting center. Weapons are restricted at the voting centers. This restriction does not prohibit concealed carry of a pistol, by a person licensed to carry a concealed pistol pursuant to RCW 9.41.070, in any voting center, student engagement hub, county elections and voter registration office, or areas of facilities while being used as a voting center, student engagement hub, or county elections and voter registration office.

Campaign Materials

Campaign materials cannot be placed in or on top of mailboxes without paying postage, nor should campaign materials be placed in newspaper delivery tubes. (18 U.S. Code § 1725)

Visit ThurstonWAVotes.gov to:

- register to vote
- view election archives
- request matchback data
- see sample ballots
- view voter registration requirements
- read news releases
- and more!

Important Contact Information

Thurston County Auditor's Office

Elections Division
2400 Evergreen Park Dr SW
Olympia, WA 98502
360.786.5408
Fax: 360.754.4591
711 Washington Relay
elections@co.thurston.wa.us
ThurstonWAVotes.gov

Ballot Processing Center
2905 29th Ave SW, Suite E & F
Tumwater, WA 98512
360.786.5408
Fax: 360.705.3518
elections@co.thurston.wa.us



Public Disclosure Commission

711 Capitol Way, Rm 206
PO Box 40908
Olympia, WA 98504-0908

877.601.2828
360.753.1111
pdc@pdc.wa.gov
pdc.wa.gov

Secretary of State, Elections

PO Box 40229 360.902.4180
Olympia, WA 98504
800.448.4881
elections@sos.wa.gov

Local Media Contact Information

PRINT

The Chronicle

321 N Pearl St, Centralia, WA 98531
360.736.3311 legals@chronline.com

The Nisqually Valley News

401 Creek St SE STE B, Yelm, WA 98597
PO Box 597, Yelm, WA 98597
360.458.2681 class@yelmonline.com

The Olympian

605 11th Ave SE, Suite 102, Olympia, WA 98501
360.754.5400 news@theolympian.com

The Tenino Independent

297 Sussex Ave W, Tenino, WA 98589
360.264.2500
independent@devaulpublishing.com

TELEVISION

Thurston Community Media

440 Yauger Way SW Ste C, Olympia, WA 98502
Phone: 360.956.3100 Fax: 360.357.2894
info@tcmedia.org

TVW

1058 Capitol Way S, Olympia, WA 98501,
Phone: 360.529.5310 tvw@tvw.org

ONLINE

Thurston Talk

2962 Limited Ln NW
Olympia, WA 98502
360.482.1671
submit@thurstontalk.com

RADIO

KAOS 89.3 FM

The Evergreen State College
2700 Evergreen Pkwy NW - CAB 101
Olympia, WA 98505
360.867.6888

KGY 95.3 FM

1700 Marine Dr NE, Olympia, WA 98501
360.943.1240 nick.kerry@kgysradio.com

KRXY 94.5 FM - ROXY

2124 Pacific Ave SE, Olympia, WA 98506
360.236.1010 Toll Free: 866.945.ROXY

MIXX 96.1 - KXXO

119 Washington St NE, Olympia, WA 98501
PO Box 7937, Olympia, WA 98507
360.943.9937 air@mixx96.com

KUOW 94.9 FM & 1340 AM - NPR

4518 University Way NE Ste 310,
Seattle, WA 98105
206.543.2710 Toll Free: 866.820.9919
newsroom@kuow.org

KNKX 88.5 NPR

930 Broadway, Tacoma, WA 98402
877.677.5659 info@knkx.org

Drop Box Locations

Our ballot drop boxes are free, safe and convenient. They are emptied regularly by a team of two election staff members. Boxes are opened the day ballots become available and locked promptly at 8:00 p.m. on Election Night.

Lacey Area

Lacey Fire 3, Station 34.....	8447 Steilacoom Rd SE
Lacey Fire 3, Station 35.....	3701 Willamette Dr NE
Lacey City Hall.....	420 College St SE
Lacey Post Office	5815 Lacey Blvd SE
Martin Village.....	5600 Martin Way E
Woodland Retirement & Assisted Living.....	4532 Intelco Lp SE

Olympia Area

Church of the Good Shepherd.....	1601 North St SE
AlphaGraphics (Formerly Crains).....	1006 4th Ave E
Gloria Dei Lutheran Church.....	1515 Harrison Ave NW
Haggen NW Fresh.....	1313 Cooper Point Rd SW
Olympia City Hall.....	601 4th Ave E
The Evergreen State College	2700 McCann Plaza Dr NW
Thurston County Courthouse	2000 Lakeridge Dr SW
Thurston County Atrium.....	3000 Pacific Ave SE
South Puget Sound Community College.....	2011 Mottman Rd SW

Tumwater Area

McLane Black Lake Fire Station 95.....	5911 Black Lake Blvd SW, Olympia
Tumwater Timberland Library.....	7023 New Market St SW
Tumwater School Administration	621 Linwood Ave SW

South County Area

Bucoda	103 S Main St
Tenino School District Administration	301 Old Hwy 99 N

Southeast County

Lackamas Elementary	16240 Bald Hill Rd SE, Yelm
Nisqually Tribal Admin Bldg.....	4820 She Nah Num Dr SE, Olympia
Rainier City Hall.....	102 Rochester St W
Yelm School Administration	110 1 st St NE

Southwest County

Grand Mound Center.....	19949 Old Hwy 99 SW, Rochester
Littlerock Fire 11	10828 Littlerock Rd SW, Olympia
Rochester Fire 1, Station 3.....	18346 Albany St SW

Steamboat Island

Griffin Fire 13, Station 1.....	3707 Steamboat Lp NW, Olympia
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North County

South Bay Fire 8, Station 81.....	3506 Shincke Rd NE, Olympia
South Bay Fire 8, Station 83.....	5046 Boston Harbor Rd NE, Olympia