

Qualifying Procedures

Holiday Park and Tri-Par Estates Park & Recreation Districts

March 19, 2024 Election of Trustees

Qualifying Dates and Locations:

Noon, Monday, January 8, 2024 – Noon, Friday, January 12, 2024

Supervisor of Elections office locations:

- Terrace Building, Administration 7th Floor, 101 S. Washington Blvd, Sarasota
- Biscayne Plaza, 13640 Tamiami Trail, North Port

Note: Qualifying paperwork may be submitted up to 14 days prior to the beginning of qualifying (Tuesday, December 26, 2023).

Please note: the elections office is closed on Monday, January 1, 2024 in observance of the New Year's Day holiday.

Qualifying Requirements:

1. Read Chapter 106 of the Florida Statutes and submit a *Statement of Candidate* (DS-DE 84).
2. File *Appointment of Campaign Treasurer/Designation of Campaign Depository* (DS-DE 9). This may be completed at any time prior to qualifying but **MUST** be completed by the time you qualify.

OR

File *Affidavit of Intent* certifying that you will **not** collect, solicit, or accept any money or contribution in-kind, in connection with your campaign and the only campaign expense shall be the candidate filing fee or signature verification fee.

3. Pay the qualifying fee **OR** qualify by petition method.
 - a. Qualifying fee - \$25 (cash, money order, cashier's check or personal check made payable to the **Board of County Commissioners**).
 - b. Petition method - collect 25 signatures of qualified electors in the district. Candidates filing by the petition method are not required to pay the qualifying fee, however, will be charged \$0.10 for each submitted petition. **Deadline for submitting petitions to the supervisor of elections office is Noon, Monday, December 11, 2023.**

4. File *Candidate Oath – Nonpartisan Office* (DS-DE 302NP)

Note: must be notarized

5. Submit 2023 Form 1 – *Statement of Financial Interest*

6. Submit *Free Holder Affidavit*

Note: must be notarized

(Sections, 99.061, 99.095 and 99.097, F.S.)

IMPORTANT: All qualifying documents must be received by the elections office no later than **Noon, Friday, January 12, 2024**; a postmark within the qualifying period does not suffice.