

Qualifications for Board of Trustee Candidate

Texas Education Code, Section 130.082(g) provides that "Any resident, qualified elector of the district may have his or her name placed as a candidate on the official ballot for any position to be filled at each regular election by filing with the secretary of the board a written application therefore signed by the applicant, not later than 5 p.m. of the 78th day before the date of the election." An application may not be filed earlier than the 30th day before the date of the filing deadline and must state the number of the position for which the person is a candidate or the name of the incumbent holding the position for which the candidate plans to run.

According to Texas Election Code 141.001, to be eligible for a public elective office in this state, a person must be a United States citizen; at least 18 years of age on the first day of the term to be filled; have not been determined mentally incompetent by a final judgment of a court; have not been finally convicted of a felony from which the person has not been pardoned or otherwise released from the resulting disabilities; have resided in the state for 12 months; and resided in the district for six months. Candidate's names must appear on the ballot only as independents. Texas Election Code 144.002.