

The Board of School Directors of the Farrell Area School District

Announces a vacancy.

The Board invites all eligible residents of the Farrell Area School District to apply to fill this vacancy. The person appointed will serve until the November 2, 2027 General Election is certified. The seat will be on the 2027 municipal election ballot for a 2-year term and resume it's 4-year term in 2029.

To be eligible to be elected or appointed to a Pennsylvania school board, one must be:

- A citizen of Pennsylvania.
- Of good moral character.
- At least 18 years old.
- A resident of the school district for at least one year prior to election or appointment. An individual may be ineligible to run for or hold the office of school director subject to state or federal law. The following items do not constitute an exhaustive list of legal requirements related to eligibility. Other state and federal laws may determine eligibility.
- The PA Constitution bars from elective office anyone convicted of an "infamous" crime, which the courts have interpreted to include various misdemeanors based on the nature of the crime and all felonies.
- Section 324 of the PA School Code prohibits school directors from being employed by, or doing business with, the district where they are elected or appointed, subject to certain exceptions. These prohibitions remain in effect for the duration of the term for which the school director was elected or appointed, even if the person leaves office before the term expires. The employment prohibition contains exceptions for specific positions. Also, the business prohibition contains an exception that would require an interpretation of the PA Public Official and Employee Ethics Act. For more information, contact the Pennsylvania State Ethics Commission at (800) 932-0936.
- Section 322 of the School Code contains a list of municipal offices that are incompatible with holding the office of school director. County, borough, and township codes also contain their own restrictions for holding offices concurrently.
- The Hatch Act, a federal statute, prohibits federal employees, and some state and local government employees whose job functions "involve" federal funding, from running for partisan elective office. The Hatch Act only prohibits running for election, but does not prohibit holding the office, if appointed. For more information, visit the U.S. Office of Special Counsel's website at <http://www.osc.gov/hatchact.htm>.
- The military services have regulations similar to the Hatch Act, but not always coextensive, which may prohibit both holding the office as well as running for it.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Board of School Directors of the Farrell Area School District, please complete the attached application and return it, along with a résumé and a Statement of Financial Interests (SFI) for 2025, by noon on Friday, June 5, 2026, to:

**Farrell Area School District
Administrative Offices
ATTN: Board Secretary
1600 Roemer Boulevard
Farrell, PA 16121**

**Or by fax: 724-346-0223,
ATTN: Board Secretary**

All applications must be received by noon on Friday, June 5, 2026. Interviews will be conducted as part of a School Board meeting at 5 p.m. on Monday, June 8, 2026, and candidates must be available for the interview. The interviews will be held in the Farrell Area Administrative Offices and will be open to the public. Immediately following the interviews, the Board will vote on and appoint a candidate. The SFI will be returned to applicants who are not selected.

Farrell Area School District Board of School Directors Application Form

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Name _____

Address _____

Home Phone _____

Business Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

Email Address _____

Preferred Method of Contact _____

Place(s) of Employment _____

How long have you resided in the Farrell Area School District? _____

Yes or no, do you currently have any children in the Farrell Area School District? _____

Yes or no, did your children attend the Farrell Area School District in the past? _____

Yes or no, did you attend the Farrell Area School District at any time? _____

Have you served on any district/school committee(s), or have you been involved in any district-sponsored activities? Please list.

Are you involved in any community activities? Please list.

What qualities or talents would you bring to the Board?

Signature _____

Date _____