



**APPLICATION FOR ENDORSEMENT BY THE  
FAIRFAX COUNTY DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE**

Any individual running for non-partisan elected office may request endorsement of the person's candidacy by the Fairfax County Democratic Committee (FCDC). Any such candidate must complete this Application and submit it with other required documents and filing fees, if any, to the FCDC office by 5pm on April 15 of the year of the general election.

1. The candidate understands and agrees:
  - that completion and submission of the application, other required documents and filing fee, if any, does not guarantee that any endorsement shall be provided;
  - that submission of this application, required documents and filing fee entitles the applicant to access to the FCDC membership roster (name, address and phone number only; no email addresses);
  - that endorsement is granted at the sole discretion of FCDC and may be withdrawn if the candidate becomes ineligible to serve if elected to the office; and
  - to adhere to the rules & procedures governing the selection process for candidates seeking endorsement by FCDC.
  
2. The candidate who receives the endorsement of FCDC is eligible to receive the following benefits:
  - Authorization to include "Endorsed by the Fairfax County Democratic Committee" on campaign materials
  - Promotion of campaign events through use of the FCDC Calendar
  - Link to the campaign website published on the FCDC website to include FCDC social media components
  - Space for phone banking (as available)
  - Possible campaign contributions from FCDC
  - Inclusion on the Democratic Sample Ballot & other coordinated campaign materials as may be developed
  - Authorization to establish a VAN Account

One of the primary functions of the FCDC and the Magisterial District Committees is the support and election of Democratic candidates to all levels of public office. Therefore, any candidate who does not receive the endorsement of FCDC WILL NOT be eligible for the benefits in Section 2. No FCDC or Magisterial District resources will be used in the support or promotion of any unendorsed candidate.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

PRECINCT: \_\_\_\_\_ MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT: \_\_\_\_\_

OCCUPATION: \_\_\_\_\_ EMPLOYER: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICE SOUGHT: \_\_\_\_\_ General or Special Election (circle one) Month \_\_\_\_\_  
Year \_\_\_\_\_.

I certify that I am a Democrat and pledge to support only Democratic nominees and candidates endorsed by FCDC in the Election. I hereby request the endorsement of my candidacy by FCDC. I fully understand that submission of this application and required documents do not constitute endorsement or promise of endorsement by FCDC. I certify that I have provided truthful and complete information to FCDC to the best of my knowledge and authorize FCDC or their agents to verify the information submitted.

IF I DO NOT RECEIVE FCDC'S ENDORSEMENT, I WILL NOT SEEK ELECTION FOR THE SAME OFFICE IN THE SAME YEAR I SOUGHT FCDC'S ENDORSEMENT.

CANDIDATE/NOMINATORS:

FCDC ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature(s)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



## **Questionnaire for Candidates Seeking FCDC Endorsement for School Board in General or Special Elections**

Provide a background statement that demonstrates the qualities, qualifications and background you possess that make you suited for the school board (you may include a resume). The statement might include why you decided to run for this office; your personal connection to Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS); the role and responsibility of a school board member in the effective and efficient administration of schools; distinction between the role of the school board and the superintendent.

Responses to each of the following questions may not exceed 200 words.

1. The quality of education depends on the interaction of student and teacher in the classroom. As highlighted by the George Mason University study, how can Fairfax County ensure we attract and retain an exceptional and diverse teaching force?
2. FCPS provides public education to an increasingly diverse population (e.g., religious and ethnic minorities, LGBTQ individuals, etc). What policies would you support to meet the needs of those groups?
3. What are the major challenges in Special Education today and what are the solutions to address those needs?
4. What is your view of the Portrait of a Graduate and its relationship to Standards of Learning (SOL) assessments?
5. Using the One Fairfax policy framework, what strategies can FCPS use to close opportunity and achievement gaps?
6. What challenges do you still see in FCPS' current discipline policy and what is your view of School Resource Officers in our schools?
7. Are the school administration & the school board effective in incorporating recommendations from community- input activities--public hearings, advisory committees, task forces, town hall meetings, etc.? How would you stay connected with parents, teachers, students and the community at-large to ensure the governance of FCPS is in line with community priorities?
8. What is your view on the issue of school boundaries and what role should demographics and socio-economic status play in future boundary changes?
9. The economic realities of Fairfax County today are challenging and cannot be denied or dismissed. What are your priorities in a situation of limited funding?



**Nomination Form for Persons Recommending Candidates  
Subject to the Hatch Act for FCDC Endorsement**

Candidates subject to the Hatch Act may not personally request endorsement by the Fairfax County Democratic Committee (FCDC).

If a candidate subject to the Hatch Act seeks a nonpartisan office, a group of five FCDC members from the FCDC district which is represented by the office may submit this Nomination Form, the Application, other required documents and relevant filing fee on the candidate's behalf.

If a candidate subject to the Hatch Act seeks a nonpartisan at large office, a group of five FCDC members representing five different magisterial districts may submit this Nomination Form, the Application, other required documents and the filing fee on the candidate's behalf.

A completed Nomination Form, Application, other required forms and relevant filing fee must be submitted to the FCDC office by 5pm on April 15, of the general election year.

Name of Recommended Candidate: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PRECINCT: \_\_\_\_\_ MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT: \_\_\_\_\_

Recommending FCDC Members:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Magisterial District \_\_\_\_\_  
Address, Phone, Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Magisterial District \_\_\_\_\_  
Address, Phone, Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Magisterial District \_\_\_\_\_  
Address, Phone, Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Magisterial District \_\_\_\_\_  
Address, Phone, Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Magisterial District \_\_\_\_\_  
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Signature \_\_\_\_\_