

High Point Academy Spring 2021 Board Election Procedures

I. Administration of Election

Election Runner will administer the Spring 2021 HPA Board Election.

II. Election Schedule

The Board will adopt an election schedule and post it on the school's website at least thirty (30) days prior to the opening of the election. The Board may hold a candidate public forum prior to the election.

III. Candidates

- **A. Filing.** Candidates will file for candidacy during the scheduled filing period by submitting the required application.
- **B. Residency Requirement**. All Board members must be residents of South Carolina. Information will be verified.
- **C. Employees.** HPA employees are not eligible to run for the Board.
- **D. Convicted Felons.** Convicted Felons are not eligible to run for the Board. Information will be verified. All applicants must complete a background check through the school.

IV. School Employee Limitation of Use of School Resources

School employees shall not use school computers, network, or resources to promote candidates.

V. Eligible Voters

The Board will be elected by the parents and legal guardians of students enrolled at HPA and HPA employees. All voters must comply with the election procedures and instructions.

To be considered a "parent" for voting purposes, an individual must be a biological parent of a student enrolled at HPA whose parental rights have not been terminated by a court of this State or a court of another state. To be considered a "legal guardian" for voting purposes, an individual must be recognized by a court of this State or a court of another state to be the legal guardian of a student enrolled at HPA. To be considered an "employee" for voting purposes, an individual must be classified by the school as a W-2 employee.

VI. Voting Procedures

Number of Votes. Each parent and legal guardian will receive one ballot for each child enrolled at HPA. Each HPA employee will receive one ballot as an employee of HPA. If an HPA employee is also a parent or legal guardian of an HPA student, he or she will receive one ballot as an employee of HPA plus one ballot for each child enrolled at HPA.

Each ballot will list the names of all candidates with a blank space next to each name. The voter may vote for as many candidate names as there are elected seats open. For example, if there are two elected seats open, each voter may select up to two candidates per ballot. A voter shall not vote for the same candidate on the same ballot more than once.

Any ballot that does not comply with the requirements described above shall be considered void and will not be counted.