



Gates Charter School Board of Directors Special Election Timeline

GATES Charter School has contracted with the Public Charter School Alliance of South Carolina (PCSASC) to administer a special election. This ensures integrity and confidentiality in the process. The governing board consists of 9 members. One (1) elected seat is up for election.

Timeline

November 9, 2022: Call for Board Candidates will be distributed to the public. Each prospective board member must complete an online filing form. PCSASC make these available to the school for online submission and distribution. If a board candidate is not able to complete the online candidate filing form, it is the school's responsibility to assist the candidate with data entry. Links will be shared on the school's website.

Link to Candidate form: <https://forms.gle/1q1eGd53D1R5LMA67>

November 14, 2022: Close of filing period. Candidate filing will be closed at 4:00 pm EST.

November 15, 2022: Candidate information and application answers posted online.

November 17th-18th, 2022: Election. Voting opens with e-ballot links emailed to each parent/guardian and employee of school. Voting will open at **8:00 am on Thursday, November 17th, 2022**, and close at **4:00 pm on Friday, November 18th, 2022**. There is one vote per child enrolled in the school and one vote per employee. Voting will be available via e-ballot allowing parents and employees to vote via the internet. Each ballot will have a unique pin number to ensure confidentiality and integrity of the process. Computers will be available at the school during normal school hours for families with no internet access or with limited computer knowledge.

November 21st, 2022: Election results will be certified, and elected school board members will be announced publicly.

January 2023: The newly elected board member will take office and formally sworn in at the regularly scheduled board meeting. This completes the election process.

Meeting and Training Requirements:

Board Members are required to attend all board meetings.

Mandated Board Training – All board members are required to attend board training within 1 year of being elected.