

**Declaration of Qualifications for the City of Stratford 2026 Municipal Election
Trustee Candidates – Form EL18 (B)**

I, _____, a nominated candidate for the office of Trustee, for the:

- Avon Maitland District School Board
- Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board
- Conseil scolaire catholique (French language Separate School Board)

Do Solemnly Declare That:

1. I am qualified pursuant to the Municipal Elections Act, 1996 and the Education Act to be elected to and to hold the office of Trustee for the above noted School Board.
2. Without limiting the generality of paragraph 1, I am a resident of the area of jurisdiction of the School Board, a Canadian citizen and at least eighteen years of age.
3. I am qualified under the Education Act to vote for members of the School Board to which I am seeking office.
4. I am not ineligible or disqualified under the Municipal Elections Act, 1996, the Education Act, the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act or any other Act to be elected to or hold the above-mentioned office.
5. Without limiting the generality of paragraph 4,
 - I am not an employee of any School Board or if I am an employee of a School Board, I am on an unpaid leave of absence as provided for by section 219 of the Education Act and section 30 of the Municipal Elections Act, 1996.
 - I am not a clerk or treasurer or deputy-clerk or deputy treasurer of any municipality within the area of jurisdiction of the School Board or if I am such a person, I am on an unpaid leave of absence as provided for by section 219 of the Education Act and section 30 of the Municipal Elections Act, 1996.
 - I am not a member of the Assembly as provided in the Legislative Assembly Act or of the Senate or House of Commons of Canada or, if I am such a person, I will provide

proof of my resignation in a form satisfactory to the Clerk of the City of Stratford prior to 2:00 p.m. on Nomination Day, August 21, 2026. I understand that the Clerk of the City of Stratford will reject my nomination for the above-mentioned office if I fail to provide proof of resignation by this deadline.

- I am not a member of the Executive Council of Ontario or a federal Minister of the Crown.
6. I am not prohibited from voting at the municipal election under subsection 17(3) of the Municipal Elections Act, 1996. I am not prohibited from voting at the municipal election under subsection 17(3) of the Municipal Elections Act, 1996.
 7. Without limiting the generality of paragraph 6,
 - I am not a person who is serving a sentence of imprisonment in a penal or correctional institution.
 - I am not a person who was convicted of a corrupt practice described in subsection 90(3) of the Municipal Elections Act, 1996, during an election that occurred less than five years prior to Monday, October 26, 2026.
 8. I am not a person who was convicted of a corrupt practice under the Municipal Elections Act, 1996 or of an offence under the Criminal Code (Canada), in connection with an act or omission with respect to a municipal election during the last two regular elections prior to Monday, October 26, 2026.
 9. I am not disqualified from being elected to or holding office by reason of any violations of the election campaign financial requirements or violations for not filing the financial statement pursuant to the Municipal Elections Act, 1996.

And I make this solemn Declaration conscientiously believing it to be true, and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the *Canada Evidence Act*.

Declared before me at the City of Stratford, in the County of Perth

This _____ day of _____, 2026

(Signature of candidate)

(Signature of Clerk or designate)



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