

## **BOARD OF ELECTIONS**

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## **Candidates and Issues Certified for May Primary**

**(Columbus)** The Franklin County Board of Elections certified candidates and issues for the May 5, 2009 primary ballot this afternoon and placed other candidates without primary opposition on the Nov. 3, 2009 general election ballot.

A levy for metropolitan parks will appear on primary ballots countywide. School levies will be voted on in the Canal Winchester, Groveport Madison, Jonathan Alder, Southwestern, Westerville and Worthington school districts. There will be a levy for current operating expenses in Grandview Heights, fire protection levies in Hamilton and Jefferson Townships and a library bond issue in Upper Arlington. Republican and Democratic candidates for city offices in Hilliard and Reynoldsburg will be on local primary ballots as well.

The field of certified candidates is not large enough under local municipal charters to trigger nominating primaries for Columbus School Board seats or for city council in Columbus and Whitehall.

Candidates for Municipal Court Judge are nominated by petition only and will not appear on the primary election ballot.

New voters have until April 6 to register for the primary election. Registered voters may cast absentee ballots starting March 31. More than 848,000 individuals are presently registered to vote in Franklin County.

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