

**ORANGE BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL ELECTION**

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

The first step in the process is for the City of Orange to host a “Special Election” on Tuesday, March 14, 2017 to elect two (2) School board members and increase the City of Orange School Board to nine (9) members.

The two (2) School Board members being elected at the Tuesday, March 14, 2017 “Special Election” will be elected to two different terms in office.

The first term in office available on the ballot will be for eight (8) months and the second office available on the ballot will be for one year and eight months. The petitions to run for each office are available at the Orange City Clerk’s Office or can be downloaded and printed from the City’s website at: www.ci.orange.nj.us or the Essex County Clerk’s website at: www.essexclerk.com.

The deadline for petitions to be submitted to the Orange City Clerk’s Office is ***Monday, January 23, 2017*** by 4:00 pm (Ten (10)) signatures are needed from Orange registered voters on the petition to qualify as a candidate.

The Orange Municipal Council adopted a resolution to move the annual School Board election to the November General Election ballot in order to save the City approximately \$45,000 a year by not having the School Board host the election every April.

At the Tuesday, November 7, 2017 General Election the terms of two (2) of the appointed School Board members whose terms will be expiring and one (1) member who was elected at the March 14, 2017 “Special Election” for eight (8) months will come due and three (3) members of the School Board will be elected for three (3) year terms in office. Those petitions will be available at the Essex County Clerk’s Office at 465 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. Newark Room 246 or at www.essexclerk.com.

There will be three (3) more School Board members elected for three (3) year terms at the Tuesday, November 6, 2018 General Election. Up for election are two of the appointed members whose terms will be expiring and the member who was elected to the one year and eight month term at the Tuesday, March 14, 2017 “Special Election.”

The terms of the remaining three (3) appointed School Board members will be set to expire at the Tuesday, November 5, 2019 General Elections and three (3) School Board members will be elected. At that time the City of Orange School Board will have nine (9) elected School Board Members.

In every year following 2019, the people of the City of Orange Township will elect three members to the School Board for three (3) year terms in office.

Joyce L. Lanier

City Clerk