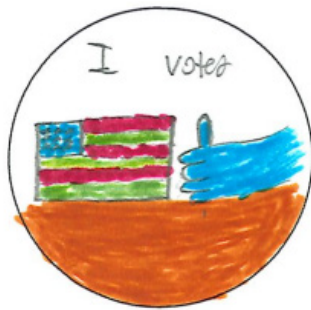
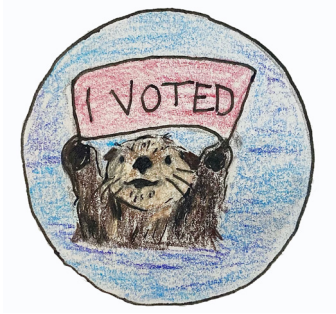




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Dear Kitsap County Voters:

Voting is one way you can make an impact in your community. We are committed to helping you make that impact. And in this election, your impact will be felt close to home.

This year's election gives you a chance to make a difference in your cities, your schools, and the other districts providing you services. This election gives you a say in who makes policy decisions in those districts.

These are important positions, and this pamphlet is a good start for you in determining how you want to influence decision making in your local community. Take the time to read the statements from candidates in your district and use those as a launching point as you do your own further research.

This pamphlet also has information about the duties of the officials you'll elect, a list of ballot drop boxes, and an explanation of all the ways we verify the accuracy of our ballot tabulation system.

As always, we welcome your questions along the way. And we thank you for your participation in your community, participation that continues with voting in this election.

Sincerely,



Paul Andrews
Kitsap County Auditor

About the Cover

In 2022 we included "I Voted" stickers with your ballots. Earlier this year we asked high school students to submit their ideas for a sticker for elections in 2023. On this cover we're featuring the design submitted by Statia Ruffin Masters, who graduated from South Kitsap High School this year. Her design was included with Primary and General Election ballot packets. We posted 16 of the runners up on the Primary Local Voters' Pamphlet.

This time we have four more next to the Ruffin Masters' sticker. Left to right they are from Ingrid Griffin, who graduated from Bainbridge Island High School earlier this year; Hunter Blackburn a South Kitsap High School grad; Olivia Berg, a Bainbridge Island High School senior; and Ani Hainline, a South Kitsap High School senior.

For 2024 we opened up the contest to the entire community.

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Additional Sources of Information

Facebook

www.facebook.com/kitsapcountyauditor

Twitter

www.twitter.com/kitsapauditor

YouTube

www.youtube.com/user/KitsapAuditor

Washington Secretary of State

www.sos.wa.gov/elections

Federal Voting Assistance Program

www.fvap.gov



Voter Information

State Measures

This year there are no state measures, and no judicial candidates in Kitsap County. The Secretary of State's Office will publish an informational voters' pamphlet. The state pamphlet will be delivered by the U.S. Post Office to all households in Kitsap County and is also available online at: www.votewa.gov.

General Election Ballot

This year local offices appear first on the ballot, followed in one jurisdiction by a measure.

If a Primary was held, the two candidates who received the most votes in the Primary and received at least 1 percent of the votes cast for that office appear on the General Election ballot. The candidate who received the most votes in the Primary is listed first. Candidates who did not appear in the Primary are listed in the order determined by lottery draw.

Military, Overseas and Early Ballots

If you are a military or overseas voter, or if you believe your ballot will not arrive in time to vote, you may request to receive your ballot by email or request an early ballot up to 90 days before an election. Early ballots list only contests known at the time of the request. To request an email ballot or early ballot, visit:

kitsap.gov/elections or contact Kitsap County Elections. Additional information for military and overseas voters is available from the Federal Voting Assistance Program at: www.fvap.gov.

Questions or Need a Replacement Ballot?

If you have not received your ballot by **October 26**, or if your ballot is damaged or lost, you may request a replacement ballot by contacting Kitsap County Elections.

Your Right to Privacy

Every voter has the right to vote his or her ballot in secret.

Attempting to vote when not qualified, or falsely signing the Voter Declaration, is a felony punishable by up to five years of imprisonment or a maximum fine of \$10,000, or both imprisonment and fine.

Write-Ins – Which Votes Can Be Counted

General Election write-in votes can only be counted if:

- The candidate filed a Declaration of Write-in Candidacy, and;
- If there are enough write-in votes for a candidate to win.

Candidate and Committee Statements

The Local Voters' Pamphlet includes statements submitted by candidates running for offices and committees supporting or opposing ballot measures. Statements are the opinions of the authors. Kitsap County Elections is not responsible for the content of statements or their factual and grammatical accuracy.

Participating Jurisdictions

Districts participating in this Local Voters' Pamphlet are the City of Bainbridge Island, City of Bremerton, City of Port Orchard, City of Poulsbo, Bremerton School District No. 100-C, Bainbridge Island School District No. 303, North Kitsap School District No. 400, Central Kitsap School District No. 401, South Kitsap School District No. 402, North Mason School District No. 403, Bainbridge Island Fire Department, Central Kitsap Fire and Rescue, Kitsap County Fire Protection District No. 18, North Kitsap Fire & Rescue, North Mason Regional Fire Authority, South Kitsap Fire and Rescue, Port of Bremerton District No. 1, Port of Brownsville District No. 2, Port of Eglon District No. 4, Port of Illahee District No. 6, Port of Indianola District No. 7, Port of Kingston District No. 9, Port of Manchester District No. 10, Port of Poulsbo District No. 12, Port of Silverdale District No. 14, Port of Tracyton District No. 15, Port of Waterman District No. 16, Kitsap County Sewer District No. 7, West Sound Utility District No. 1, Manchester Water District No. 11, North Perry Water District No. 13, Sunnyslope Water District No. 15, Silverdale Water District No. 16, Bainbridge Island Metropolitan Park & Recreation District, and Village Green Metropolitan Park District.

Register to Vote

Who May Vote

To be eligible to vote, one must register and be:

- A citizen of the United States.
- A legal Washington resident at the registration address for at least 30 days prior to the election day.
- At least 18 years old.
- Not currently serving a sentence of total confinement in prison for a Washington felony conviction.
- Not currently incarcerated for a federal or out-of-state felony conviction.
- Not disqualified from voting due to a court order.

Options for Registering

- Online at www.VoteWA.gov.
- Complete a paper registration form, available at libraries, city halls, public schools, fire district offices and at the County Auditor's Office.
- When you renew your driver's license.

To Cancel Your Voter Registration

You may sign a form requesting to cancel your registration. In the case of a deceased voter, a family member may sign a form authorizing a cancellation. The form is available by contacting the Kitsap County Auditor's Office or online at <https://www.kitsap.gov/auditor/Documents/CancellationForm.pdf>.

Update Your Voter Record if You Move

If you are already registered to vote in Kitsap County, update your voter record:

- online at: www.VoteWA.gov,
- by emailing the Kitsap County Auditor – Elections Division at auditor@kitsap.gov.
- by phone at 360-337-7128.

Address changes can be made in person until 8 p.m. on Election Day at the Kitsap County Auditor's Office and at the Vote Centers. A new voter registration card will be mailed after your address change is processed.

When to Register

Individuals may register to vote at any time. To vote in the November 7 General Election, the deadlines are:

- **October 30:** Deadline for **mail and online** voter registrations, updates and changes.
- **November 7:** **In-person** deadline for voter registrations, updates and changes. Citizens may register until 8 p.m. on Election Day by appearing in person at the County Auditor's Office. Registration will also be available the Saturday and Monday before Election Day and on Election Day at the Vote Centers listed on page 4.

Name Change

If you have legally changed your name, you must complete a new voter registration application. Your new signature is used to validate your ballot.

Has my ballot been counted?

Tracking your ballot is easier than ever!

Sign up for text notifications when you register or update your info at **VoteWA.gov**.



Vote Centers and Accessible Voting

Federal law requires jurisdictions to provide vote centers with certified accessible voting devices, which enable voters with disabilities to cast their ballots independently and in private.

Accessible Voting Units provide all contests in audio and high-contrast text formats and are available beginning 18 days prior to the General Election.

Before Election Day

October 20 through November 3

8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday

Kitsap County Auditor's Office

619 Division St, Port Orchard, WA 98366

Vote Centers

Saturday Nov. 4, Monday, Nov. 6,

8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Election Day, Tuesday, Nov. 7,

7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Kitsap County Administration Building

619 Division Street, Port Orchard, WA 98366

Marvin Williams Recreation Center

725 Park Avenue, Bremerton, WA 98337

Poulsbo Fire Station

911 NE Liberty Road, Poulsbo, WA 98370

Online Ballot Access

The State of Washington provides an accessible online ballot and a Local Voters' Pamphlet.

This online access is compatible with commonly used accessibility software such as screen readers and screen magnifiers, and allows for navigation without the use of a mouse and without having to see the cursor on the screen. All candidate video statements are close captioned.

Through Online Ballot Access, you may verify that Kitsap County Elections has received your ballot using the Ballot Tracker feature.

Online Ballot Access is available beginning 18 days prior to the General Election at:

VoteWA.gov.

Candidate and Political Committee Information

Contributions to Candidates and Political Committees

- **Contribution Limits** – State law sets contribution limits on donations to legislative, judicial and county candidates as well as bona fide political party and caucus political committees.
- Anyone who donates more than \$25 in monetary and in-kind contributions must be identified by name and full address. For donations of more than \$100, occupation, employer name, city and state of his/her employer are also required.
- For a list of the people and organizations that donated to state and local candidates and ballot measure campaigns, visit **Public Disclosure Commission for Washington State** at www.pdc.wa.gov, or call (360) 753-1111. The PDC also explains filing requirements and contribution limits, laws and rules.
- For a list of the people and organizations that donated to federal candidates, visit www.fec.gov.

Duties and Qualifications of Elected Officials

Cities of Bainbridge Island and Bremerton

Qualifications

Elected Mayor and Council candidates must be registered voters of the city at the time of filing and have been residents of the city for a period of at least one year preceding the election. City Council candidates must reside within the defined council districts or wards at the time of filing. [RCW 42.04.020](#), [RCW 35A.12.030](#), [RCW 35A.13.020](#)

Duties

In Bremerton, the Mayor is the city's chief executive and administrative officer. The Council members serve as the legislative body. In Bainbridge Island the Council is the legislative authority, and Council members choose a council chair who has the title of "mayor" of the city. The Council hires a City Manager who is the chief executive and administrative officer. Functions of these offices are further defined in state law by the specific jurisdiction:

City of Bainbridge Island – [RCW 35A](#)

City of Bremerton – [RCW 35A](#) and [City Charter](#)

Cities of Port Orchard and Poulsbo

Qualifications

Candidates must be registered voters of the city at the time of filing and must also have been residents of the city for a period of at least one year preceding the election. Mayor and City Council candidates may reside anywhere within the city. [RCW 35A.12.030](#)

Duties

The Mayor is the city's chief executive and administrative officer and presides over council meetings. The Council members serve as the legislative body of the city. Functions of these offices are further defined in state law by the specific jurisdiction. [RCW 35A](#)

School, Fire, Port, Sewer, Utility, Water, Metropolitan Park and Recreation Districts

Qualifications

At the time of filing for office, a candidate must be registered to vote in the district represented by the office they seek. For jurisdictions that have defined internal districts, a candidate must reside and be a registered voter within the defined area of the jurisdiction. [RCW 29A.24.075](#)

Duties

The function of each jurisdiction is described by Washington state law.

School – [RCW 28A](#)

Fire – [RCW 52](#)

Port – [RCW 53](#)

Utility – [RCW 54](#)

Sewer/Water – [RCW 57](#)

Metropolitan Park and Recreation – [RCW 35.61](#)

Mark Your Ballot

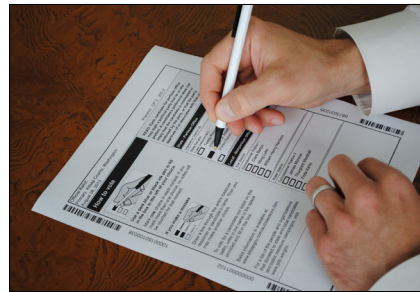
How to vote

Use a dark blue or black ink pen to completely fill in the box to the left of your choice.

Do not use pencil.

Mark one choice in each contest.

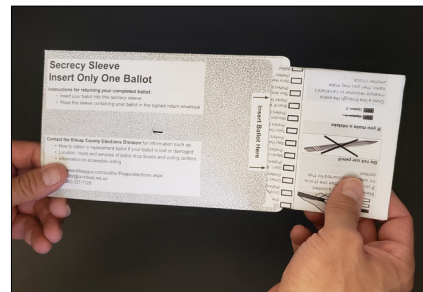
If you mark more than one choice, no votes will be counted for that contest.



Secure

Place the voted ballot in the secrecy sleeve.

Place the secrecy sleeve inside the lavender envelope.



Sign, Date, Seal and Return

Read, sign and date the Voter Declaration on the lavender return envelope.

- You must sign the lavender return envelope in order for your ballot to be counted.
- Sign your name in dark ink.
- Seal the lavender return envelope.
- Return by mail or ballot drop box (locations on page 7.)



Ballot Marking Tips and Reminders

Ballot marking errors require additional staff review, which slows down ballot processing. Help us improve efficiency by **avoiding** these common errors:

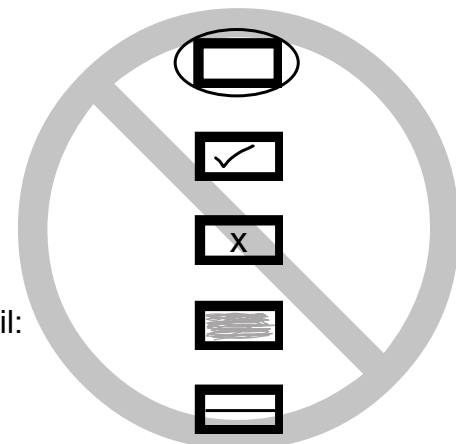
Do not circle:

Do not check:

Do not X:

Do not use pencil:

No single lines:



24-Hour Ballot Drop Boxes

Voters are encouraged to use a ballot drop box. Ballot drop boxes provide a safe, secure way for voters to deposit their ballots. Ballot drop boxes are available 24 hours a day beginning October 20, 2023 until 8 p.m. on Election Day.

Bainbridge Island School District

8489 Madison Avenue North
Bainbridge Island, WA 98110

Bremerton - Downtown

Norm Dicks Government Center
345 6th Street
Bremerton, WA 98337

Bremerton - East

Kitsap Regional Library, Sylvan Way Branch
1301 Sylvan Way
Bremerton, WA 98310

Bremerton - Marvin Williams Recreation Center

725 Park Avenue
Bremerton, WA 98337

Burley Store

14972 Bethel-Burley Road SE
Port Orchard, WA 98367

Hansville - Buck Lake County Park (new location)

6959 Buck Lake Road NE
Hansville, WA 98340

Indianola Tennis Courts

20761 Greenwood Street NE
Indianola, WA 98342

Keyport - Central Park

15378 Washington Avenue NE
Keyport, WA 98345

Kingston - North Kitsap Fire & Rescue

26642 Miller Bay Road NE
Kingston, WA 98346

Kingston - Village Green Park

10810 NE West Kingston Road
Kingston, WA 98346

Manchester Stormwater Park

2399 Colchester Drive E
Port Orchard, WA 98366

Naval Base Kitsap - Bangor

2500 Ohio Street
NSB Silverdale, WA 98315

Naval Base Kitsap - Bremerton

886 Barclay Street
Bremerton, WA 98314

Navy Yard City - West Side Improvement Club

4109 West E Street
Bremerton, WA 98312

Olalla Bay Market & Landing (new drop box)

13965 Crescent Valley Road SE
Olalla, WA 98359

Port Gamble - S'Klallam Tribal Center

31912 Little Boston Road NE
Kingston, WA 98346

Port Orchard

Kitsap County Auditor's Office
619 Division Street
Port Orchard, WA 98366

Port Orchard (East) - SKFR Station 8

1974 Fircrest Drive SE
Port Orchard, WA 98366

Port Orchard (Glenwood) - SKFR Station 17

7990 McCormick Woods Drive SW
Port Orchard, WA 98367

Poulsbo Fire Station

911 NE Liberty Road
Poulsbo, WA 98370

Poulsbo - Olympic College

1000 Olympic College Way NW
Poulsbo, WA 98370

Seabeck - Green Mountain Elementary School

3860 Boundary Trail NW
Bremerton, WA 98312

Silverdale - CK School District

(Jenne-Wright Building)
9210 Silverdale Way NW
Silverdale, WA 98383

Southworth WSF Terminal

11677 SE Southworth Ferry Drive
Port Orchard, WA 98366
(Near ferry terminal entrance.)

Suquamish Tribal Council Bldg.

18490 Suquamish Way NE
Suquamish, WA 98392

Tracyton - Bremerton Elks, Lodge 1181

4131 Pine Road NE
Bremerton, WA 98310

Sample Ballot

Sample Ballot
 General Election
 November 7, 2023
 Kitsap County, Washington

This ballot contains all contests that will appear on the November 7, 2023 General Election ballot. Only the ballot issues that apply to the precinct where you are registered to vote will appear on your ballot.

How to vote this ballot

Use dark blue or black ink to fill in the box to the left of your choice.



Mark **one** choice for a contest. If you mark more than one choice, no votes will be counted for that contest.

Do not use pencil



If you make a mistake



Draw a line through the entire measure response or candidate's name, then you may make another choice.

To vote for a candidate **not** listed on the ballot, write their name in the space provided and fill in the box.

Ballot drop locations, vote centers and accessible voting information is available online at kcowa.us/vote

For a list of the people and organizations that donated to state and local candidates and ballot measure campaigns, visit: www.pdc.wa.gov

Nonpartisan Offices Municipal Districts

City of Bainbridge Island Council District 1 At-Large

- Dick Haugan
- Kirsten Hytopoulos
-

City of Bainbridge Island Council District 2 North Ward

- Brenda Fantroy-Johnson
-

City of Bainbridge Island Council District 4 Central Ward

- Leslie Schneider
-

City of Bainbridge Island Council District 6 South Ward

- Ashley Mathews
-

City of Bremerton Council District 2 Short and full 4-year term

- Denise Frey
- Adrian Wright
-

City of Bremerton Council District 4 Short and full 4-year term

- Jane Rebelowski
- Marwan Cameron
-

City of Bremerton Council District 6

- Mike Simpson
- Anna Mockler
-

City of Port Orchard Mayor

- Rob Putaansuu
- Rawlins Maye
-

City of Port Orchard Council Position 1

- Mark Trenary
- Wilbur L Hart
-

City of Port Orchard Council Position 4

- Eric Worden
- John W Clauson
-

City of Port Orchard Council Position 5

- Heidi Fenton
- Cindy Lucarelli
-

City of Port Orchard Council At-Large

- Kaylan Marie O'Connor
- John Morrissey
-

City of Poulsbo Council Position 1

- Zach Ellis
- Rick Eckert
-

City of Poulsbo Council Position 2

- Pam Crowe
-

City of Poulsbo Council Position 3

- Britt Livdahl
-

City of Poulsbo Council Position 4

- Reba Harris
- Doug Newell
-

School Districts

Bremerton School District No. 100-C Director Position 1

- Karen J Bolton
- Lance Byrd
-

Bremerton School District No. 100-C Director Position 2

- John Paul Hurley
-

Bremerton School District No. 100-C Director Position 3

- Jonee Dubos
-

Bainbridge Island School District No. 303 Director District 1

- Kelly Cancialosi
-

Bainbridge Island School District No. 303 Director District 3

- Sanjay Pal
-

Bainbridge Island School District No. 303 Director District 4

- Thomas R. Greene
- Evan Saint Clair
-

North Kitsap School District No. 400 Director District 2

- Mike Desmond
- Natasha Fecteau Minger
-

North Kitsap School District No. 400 Director District 4

- Beverly Godfrey
- Terri Schumacher
-

North Kitsap School District No. 400 Director District 5

- Stacy Mills
- Melanie Miller
-

Central Kitsap School District No. 401 Director District 2

- Breezy Mitchell
- Kristin Hay
-

Central Kitsap School District No. 401 Director District 3

- Drayton Jackson
- Jim Grose
-

Central Kitsap School District No. 401 Director District 4

- Meghan Hein
- Jason Gilham
-

South Kitsap School District No. 402 Director District 1

- John Sehmel
- Kate Espy
-

Sample Ballot

Sample Ballot
 General Election
 November 7, 2023
 Kitsap County, Washington

South Kitsap School District No. 402 Director District 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Megan Higgins <input type="checkbox"/> Jaime Cross <input type="checkbox"/>
South Kitsap School District No. 402 Director District 5 <input type="checkbox"/> Jay Villars <input type="checkbox"/> Rhonda Edwards <input type="checkbox"/>
School Measure South Kitsap School District No. 402 Proposition No. 1 Capital Improvement and School Construction General Obligation Bonds - \$271,000,000 <p>Board of Directors of South Kitsap School District No. 402 adopted Resolution No. 1367 concerning a proposition to finance capital improvements for student safety and educational facilities. This proposition would authorize the District to: construct a new Cedar Heights Middle School; construct a new Olalla Elementary School; construct a new South Colby Elementary School; construct a new Explorer Academy and Discovery High School; renovate South Kitsap High School; and make District-wide safety, security, HVAC, parking and technology improvements; issue no more than \$271,000,000 of general obligation bonds maturing within 21 years; and levy annual excess property tax levies to pay such bonds, as provided in Resolution No. 1367. Should this proposition be approved:</p> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
School District North Mason School District No. 403 Director District 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Erik Youngberg <input type="checkbox"/>
North Mason School District No. 403 Director District 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Nicole González Timmons <input type="checkbox"/>
Fire Districts Bainbridge Island Fire Department Commissioner Position 2 Unexpired 2-year term <input type="checkbox"/> Bruce G. Alward <input type="checkbox"/>

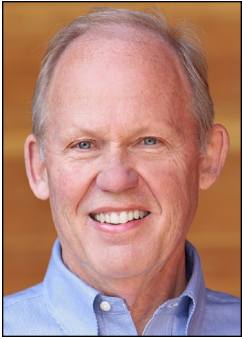
Bainbridge Island Fire Department Commissioner Position 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Andrea Chymiy <input type="checkbox"/>
Central Kitsap Fire and Rescue Commissioner Position 3 Short and full 6-year term <input type="checkbox"/> Rod Elmore <input type="checkbox"/>
Central Kitsap Fire and Rescue Commissioner Position 5 <input type="checkbox"/> Bob Muhleman <input type="checkbox"/>
Kitsap County Fire Protection District No. 18 Commissioner Position 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Jeff Uberuaga <input type="checkbox"/>
Kitsap County Fire Protection District No. 18 Commissioner Position 4 <input type="checkbox"/> David Ellingson <input type="checkbox"/>
North Kitsap Fire & Rescue Commissioner Position 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Stephen E. Neupert <input type="checkbox"/>
North Kitsap Fire & Rescue Commissioner Position 5 <input type="checkbox"/> John Huntington <input type="checkbox"/>
North Mason Regional Fire Authority Commissioner Position 2 Short and full 6 year term <input type="checkbox"/> John Inch <input type="checkbox"/>
North Mason Regional Fire Authority Commissioner Position 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Daniel Kewish <input type="checkbox"/>
South Kitsap Fire and Rescue Commissioner Position 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Mike Eslava <input type="checkbox"/> Robert P. McGee <input type="checkbox"/>

Port Districts Port of Bremerton District No. 1 Commissioner District 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Axel Strakeljahn <input type="checkbox"/>
Port of Brownsville District No. 2 Commissioner District 1 Short and full 6-year term <input type="checkbox"/> Kenneth McEwan <input type="checkbox"/>
Port of Eglon District No. 4 Commissioner District 2 <input type="checkbox"/> David Roberts <input type="checkbox"/>
Port of Illahee District No. 6 Commissioner Position 1 Short and full 6-year term <input type="checkbox"/> Jeffrey Rupert <input type="checkbox"/>
Port of Illahee District No. 6 Commissioner Position 2 Unexpired 4-year term <input type="checkbox"/> Eric Hall <input type="checkbox"/>
Port of Indianola District No. 7 Commissioner District 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Jeff Henderson <input type="checkbox"/>
Port of Kingston District No. 9 Commissioner District 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Laura Gronnvoll <input type="checkbox"/>
Port of Manchester District No. 10 Commissioner Position 1 <input type="checkbox"/> James E Strode <input type="checkbox"/> Alexis Pappas <input type="checkbox"/>
Port of Poulsbo District No. 12 Commissioner Position 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Jay Lawrence <input type="checkbox"/>
Port of Silverdale District No. 14 Commissioner District 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Rick Slate <input type="checkbox"/> Douglas Kitchens <input type="checkbox"/>

Port of Tracyton District No. 15 Commissioner District 1 Short and full 6-year term <input type="checkbox"/> Bill Wright <input type="checkbox"/>
Port of Waterman District No. 16 Commissioner District 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Jeff Reynolds <input type="checkbox"/>
Sewer District Kitsap County Sewer District No. 7 Commissioner Position 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Jacob K. Johnson <input type="checkbox"/> Bonnie E. Harris <input type="checkbox"/>
Utility District West Sound Utility District No. 1 Commissioner Position 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Jerry Lundberg <input type="checkbox"/> C. Skip Olmsted <input type="checkbox"/>
Water District Manchester Water District No. 11 Commissioner Position 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Steve Pedersen <input type="checkbox"/>
North Perry Water District No. 13 Commissioner Position 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Mary Sevilla <input type="checkbox"/>
Sunnyslope Water District No. 15 Commissioner Position 3 <input type="checkbox"/> David Larman <input type="checkbox"/>
Silverdale Water District No. 16 Commissioner Position 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Marcus Hoffman <input type="checkbox"/>
Park Districts Bainbridge Island Metropolitan Park & Recreation District Commissioner Position 5 <input type="checkbox"/> Melissa Timme <input type="checkbox"/> Tom Goodlin <input type="checkbox"/>
Village Green Metropolitan Park District Commissioner Position 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Jason Manges <input type="checkbox"/>

Read Both Sides of the Ballot

City of Bainbridge Island – Council District 1 At-Large – 4-year term



Dick Haugan

Biography: Business Leader-Managed \$100 Million Budget for Fortune 500 Company. Founder Seattle Advertising Agency. Chairman International Direct Marketing Association ECHO Advertising Awards. .

Married and Bainbridge resident 47 years. Parented two children through the Bainbridge School

system. BS in Math. MBA in Business Seattle University. Sailor, Skier, SCUBA and Pilot.

Community Service: Active with Bainbridge City Council and Planning Commission. City Council appointed Salary Commission and Police Station Ad Hoc Committees. Alternative Housing project facilitator with Seattle City Council. Philanthropic includes New Project “10ForUkraine”, Supporter Bainbridge Community Foundation, Helpline House and Bloedel Reserve. Member Bainbridge Chamber of Commerce.

Statement: In a few months you will make a choice, amongst other equally important issues, to select a candidate who can be the best custodian of our public funds. That is a business skill developed through experience to sift out what makes sense and what does not. That skill requires valuation and scrutiny of the proposals brought forth. The decision process demands that the true voice of the people is properly heard and valued.

As a City Council member, I will give the utmost priority to allocation of our limited resources in a thoughtful and reasoned manner. As a City Council Member I will ask hard questions and ensure that the information on which we make decisions is complete, fair and unbiased. This is important, in fact critical, for a government to perform at a high and honorable level. The voice of the people must be held in account regardless of political influence.

Be assured that my decision to enter this election with my esteemed colleagues is not capricious. After years of participating in the political process I have developed the credentials and experience required to represent you and the high values expected of this office. I ask for your vote.

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Kirsten Hytopoulos

Elected Experience: City Councilperson, City of Bainbridge Island, 2019 - present; 2011 - 2014, Mayor 2012. Former Democratic PCO.

Other Professional Experience: Current – Collaborative attorney and mediator, Kirsten Hytopoulos Attorney at Law, PLLC. Past – Assistant City Attorney, City of Seattle; Instructor, Chapman University.

Education: B.A. Political Science, J.D. University of Arizona College of Law

Community Service: Current – Board member, Kitsap Public Health Board; Member, KRCC Land Use Planning Policy Committee. Past – Mediator, Dispute Resolution Center of Kitsap County; Mediator, Interlocal Conflict Resolution Group; Board Member, Marge Williams Center; Parent Spokesperson, BISD Options United; Spokesperson, Council-Manager '09 Campaign; Founder, Green Voices for Bainbridge Island.

Statement: Over the 21 years I've lived, worked and raised my children on Bainbridge Island, I've been a strong, progressive voice, on and off city council, for environmental stewardship, good government, and preserving the Island's unique character.

Most Islanders agree we should plan for growth, not promote it. Affordable housing is a critical priority we can achieve without giving up local control over zoning or draining our precious groundwater reserves. We need walkable neighborhoods, a vibrant small business environment, and development that honors our comprehensive plan.

We must also have good public process. City council's decision-making must be transparent and inclusive; our policies must be equitable and consistent; our spending must be responsible and in line with community priorities.

I'm running for re-election because experienced leadership is needed in the face of mounting growth pressures and the realities of climate change. We need councilmembers with the courage to make difficult decisions, and the will to see them through. As a collaborative attorney and mediator, I help parties in conflict discover solutions to seemingly intractable problems. This expertise, along with extensive direct experience and connection to the community, will continue to inform my work on council as we tackle these significant challenges.

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City of Bainbridge Island – Council District 2 North Ward – 4-year term



Brenda Fantroy-Johnson

Elected Experience: Bainbridge Island City Council, 2020 - 2023

Other Professional Experience: Risk Management AT&T - 2007; Security Awareness Lead Nordstrom 2006; Security Analyst State of Michigan 1988 - 2005. Information Security Certification Trainer

Community Service: Founding Member BI Race Equity Advisory Committee; Liaison Bainbridge Island Senior Center; Chair Housing Kitsap Board; Member Puget Sound Regional Council

Statement: Brenda Fantroy-Johnson moved to Bainbridge Island in 2006. Almost immediately she got involved within her community by facilitating a meeting with her neighbors and the Bainbridge Prepares group to plan disaster recovery activities using the “Map your neighborhood” process.

During her time on the City Council, she has helped to adopt the sustainable transportation plan, supported the development of affordable housing, improved the sound to Olympics trail, backed safety improvements to SR 305 and worked to save large heritage trees.

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Education: MBA Computer Science, Spring Arbor University; BA Network Management, Davenport University; Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP); Certified Information Security Manager (CISM); Certified Information Privacy Professional (CIPP); Certified in Risk Information Systems Control (CRISC); Certificate of Cloud Security Knowledge (CCSK); GIAC Certified ISO 27000 Specialist (GS2700); Lean Six Sigma Green Belt

City of Bainbridge Island – Council District 4 Central Ward – 4-year term



Leslie Schneider

Elected Experience: Councilmember, City of Bainbridge Island, 2018-current (Mayor in 2020)

Professional Experience: Co-founder of OfficeXpats Coworking, a shared office business in the Bainbridge Pavilion, since 2011. Previously the Marketing Director for FacilityQuest providing workplace utilization studies.

Statement: Bainbridge Island needs fearless and thoughtful leadership for a future that protects our island's natural beauty and resources, promotes diversity and affordability, and reduces our impact on climate change. I am committed to good governance, which requires fighting for consistent and transparent process and meaningful public engagement. I served on a team that worked with businesses to craft an ordinance to limit single-serve plastics. I brought attention to and helped our city win a technical assistance grant for the Accelerated Mobility Playbook. I was Mayor in 2020 during the shutdowns and mask mandates of COVID, the civil rights movement of Black Lives Matter, and a transition to council meetings on Zoom.

I started learning and working for sustainability in 1992 volunteering for Sustainable Seattle and the Business Alliance for a Local Living Economy. I moved to Bainbridge 14 years ago, and my son graduated from Woodward and BHS. I have strong connections to our business community as the cofounder of OfficeXpats, the first coworking space in Kitsap County, and winner of the 2014 Chamber of Commerce Small Business award for support of our community. Join me in creating a beautiful, diverse, and responsible future for Bainbridge Island. Visit www.leslieforbainbridge.com.

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Education: B.A. Communications Studies, UCLA

Community Service: Current—Kitsap Transit board, Kitsap Regional Coordinating Council board, Puget Sound Regional Council Transportation Policy board alternate, Peninsula Regional Transportation Planning Organization board, Leafline Trails Coalition leadership team, Imagine Bainbridge 2035 core team.

Past—Sustainable Bainbridge and Kitsap Regional Library Foundation boards. Volunteered for Sustainable Seattle and Business Alliance for Local Living Economy starting in 1992.

City of Bainbridge Island – Council District 6 South Ward – 4-year term



Ashley Mathews

Elected Experience: Appointed-City of Bainbridge Island Planning Commission.

Other Professional Experience: Director of Marketing and Purchasing Paragon Auto Group, Hand-Dyed Yarn Production and Merchandising The Lamb and Kid, Regional Marketing Specialist Coldwell Banker Bain, Licensed

Real Estate Broker Windermere Real Estate, Ski Instructor Ski Windham

Education: Albany Academy for Girls, 1986-1996; Colgate University, 1996-2000

Community Service: Chair - Bainbridge Island Planning Commission, Member: Board of Directors - Bainbridge Island Museum of Art, Board Member Emeritus - Treehouse for Kids, Lifetime Member - NAACP, Volunteer - Bainbridge Island Saddle Club, Member - Bloedel Reserve IDEA (Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, Accessibility) Committee, Reader - Bainbridge Island Rotary Club, Halilts (formerly Wilkes).

Statement: Ashley Mathews works tirelessly to preserve and enhance our community's natural beauty, vibrant culture, and sense of belonging for all residents.

Perhaps chief among her various volunteer roles is her position as Chair of the City of Bainbridge Planning Commission, which advises on land use regulation and community development. Her ability to balance the diverse needs of our community is a testament to her courage, integrity and dedication to bringing people who represent divergent interests together and finding common ground.

Due to her support of affordable housing initiatives, the expansion of recreational and behavioral health options for our youth, and the arts, she has garnered the endorsement from former Planning Commissioner Kim McCormick Osmond, equity advocate Chasity Malatesta, youth advocate and non-profit leader Greg Nance, and cultural pioneer Sheila Hughes, Executive Director of the Bainbridge Island Museum of Art, just to name a few.

Ashley believes that islanders can build upon the community's strengths, address the challenges that lie ahead, and build a future that reflects our community's shared values and aspirations. Due to her deep understanding of our diverse needs, ability to effectively communicate, and demonstrated commitment to social responsibility, she hopes to earn your vote.

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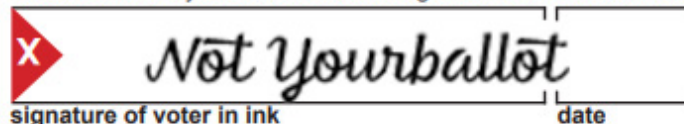
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Make sure you only sign your own voter declaration.

Sign and date: You are signing that you have read the declaration. Power of attorney cannot be used to sign a ballot for someone else.



If multiple ballots are mailed to your residence, be sure the only declaration you sign is the one we sent to you, specifically.

Election Audits

In every election the county's ballot tabulation system undergoes testing and two mandatory audits to ensure that our ballot tabulators are counting your ballots as you intended. The first test is called a Logic and Accuracy Test and is conducted before the election. The second is a Random Batch Audit, conducted the day after Election Day. Recounts can also be required.

At Kitsap County Elections we also voluntarily conduct up to two other tests to further ensure that Kitsap County voters have their ballots tabulated correctly.

Hash Testing

When an election tabulation system is certified by the Federal Government's Election Assistance Commission, it carries with it a digital signature. Before each election we run a hash test to make sure the signature matches what the EAC certified, which means the system has not changed.

The first required audit is a Logic and Accuracy Test where we mark ballots according to a template mandated by state law. The marked ballots are scanned and the results from the tabulators are compared with what the template dictated to make sure the results match. Once they do, we're ready to start an election.

L&A

RANDOM BATCH AUDIT

The second required audit is a random batch audit, where we randomly select a few batches totaling about 800 ballots. We have already machine-counted those ballots and kept the results hidden. Two elections staff members then each hand count those ballots. Once they agree on the results, those results are compared to the machine count. We perform this audit the day after Election Day during every election.

An audit that isn't mandatory yet, but could be in the near future, is the risk-limiting audit. An official from the Washington Secretary of State's Office selects specific ballots for us to check to make sure those were tabulated correctly.

RISK LIMITING AUDIT

VOTERS' L&A AUDIT

A voluntary audit we do is one we invented. Before the General Election of 2022 we invited representatives from both major parties to mark up to 100 ballots each, keeping their intended results to themselves. We scanned those ballots and they compared our results with theirs. In each case the results matched 100 percent. For this year's General Election we plan to invite Kitsap residents beyond the political parties, since no partisan races appear on ballots this year.

If a race is close enough, within a half percentage point, state law requires a recount. If there is less than a quarter percentage point difference between two candidates, that race must be recounted by hand. Outside those margins, a candidate can request and pay for a recount.

Recounts

To see videos of audits and how we do recounts, go to:

<https://www.kitsapgov.com/auditor/Pages/Certification-and-data.aspx>

City of Bremerton – Council District 2 – Short and full 4-year term



Denise Frey

Elected Office: Denise Frey was appointed to Bremerton City Council in March 2022 and currently serves as its District 2 Councilmember.

Education: While never completing a degree, Denise Frey worked her way up to become the successful leader of several national and local non-profit organizations.

Community Service: Former President & CEO, Bremerton Chamber of Commerce; Former Executive Director of YWCA Kitsap County

Statement: Deciding to relocate to Bremerton in 2014 after the birth of her first grandchild, Denise Frey has been deeply involved in the Bremerton community ever since. She served as Executive Director of YWCA Kitsap County and then as President and CEO of Bremerton Chamber of Commerce until her retirement in late 2021.

Just a few months later, Denise again stepped up to serve by applying to fill a vacancy on Bremerton City Council. She was appointed unanimously to Council in early 2022 to represent East Bremerton's District 2. Since then, she has advocated for improved public access to and community engagement with City Council, with all meetings now available in-person or through Zoom.

Denise serves as Chair of both Bremerton City Council's Public Safety Committee and its Lodging Tax Advisory Committee. Looking forward, her priorities include 1) the collaborative development of affordable housing projects, 2) transportation - whether on foot, in a wheelchair, on a bike, in a car or on a ferry, and 3) the successful redevelopment of the old Harrison Hospital site (Eastside Village Project).

To learn more about Denise and her candidacy, visit www.frey4council.com.

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Adrian Wright

Professional Experience: State Govt. Olympia: State Parks, Work Corps; Revenue & Labor/ Industries Office Asst.; School bus driver: Tacoma SD & Clover Park SD; Office Asst & Manager: small business (recycling, insurance, church p/t, and sales)

Education: Washington State University, Business Administration, Risk Mgt & Real Estate; Columbia Basin College: Technical: Aerospace Tech.; Bates Tech College: Electrical Construction; Tacoma Community College: Emergency Medical Technician Basic

Community Service: East Bremerton community volunteer waste pickup, Pierce County Search & Rescue, PC Red Cross 1st Aid instructor, Elementary school playground assistant, Youth in Govt mock legislature, Civics training

Statement: I am a renter, working class, and a maintenance technician. My focus is to increase opportunities for home ownership and improve rental availability/affordability. Bremerton needs more rentable units for its increasing population (a pain I feel). I will work with the Council to streamline the new construction permitting process to encourage increased construction of housing units to ease this local housing crisis. I will be a voice for more affordable homeownership (less taxes) while being conscious of the needs of local utilities.

As a former bus driver and a community member that uses public transportation, I am aware of the need for an efficient public transportation system and will work to improve our local system. Improvements to our public transit system, and our community in general, must include improvements to public safety through the efficient use of taxpayer dollars. I have assisted in the audit of non-profit agencies with an eye toward the most efficient use of funds and will apply that experience to the public safety budget.

I am asking for your vote so that together we can grow the vibrant city we know as Bremerton.

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City of Bremerton – Council District 4 – Short and full 4-year term



Jane Rebelowski

Biography: 17th St, Bremerton; Bremerton resident since 1999; UCLA, Public Works Inspection Certificate Program, 1991; City of Upland, CA Inspector 1989-1993 (union member); CH2MHill, Resident Inspector, Jefferson County 1994-1999; Cities of Bellevue & Bremerton, Public Works Inspector 1999-2007 (union member); City of Seattle, Sr. Civil

Engineering Spec 2007-2020 (union member); City of Bremerton ADA Committee, 2020-present

Statement: Currently there is limited public input to proposed projects and policy changes in Bremerton. I will change that by having monthly District meetings. I will return emails promptly. I will ask my constituents their opinions prior to making decisions that affect them.

I will continue to advocate for our houseless population. I have been asking for public portable toilets for literally years. Funding (\$10,000) has finally been appropriated but still awaiting installation.

We now have over 170 million dollars of tax exemptions in place for market rate (luxury) apartments. It is my stance that tax exemptions should only be for low-income apartments. Over 40 percent of households in Bremerton make \$40,000 or less. Support our working poor, not just recent wealthier transplants to Bremerton.

I will continue to advocate for real traffic-calming projects. Sidewalks in all neighborhoods. A connected safe cycling network throughout our community. At the City of Seattle I designed and inspected numerous low-cost traffic-calming projects. There are many small projects that could be constructed that would make a huge impact for neighborhoods instead of only pursuing funding for multi-million dollar projects. Please vote for Jane Rebelowski for a better quality of life in Bremerton!

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Marwan Cameron

Professional Experience: Marwan provided educational services and support for the Navy through the NCO and FFSC. Additionally, as an adjunct professor, Marwan contributed to academic excellence, promoting accessible education.

As a former brick mason and construction company owner, he has experience in infrastructure

development, creating employment, and fostering sustainable growth,

Education: Masters: Education; Business Administration: Management

Community Service: Marwan is founder and ED of G2, nonprofit and podcast. He engages the community through outreach, uplifting lives, providing essential services, meaningful conversations, and empowering initiatives. Mr. Cameron has also served on the board for Bremerton Housing Authority and currently board member for the Kitsap Regional Library.

Statement: Passionate about our community's well-being, I am running for city council to make a positive impact. With a background in community advocacy and a commitment to public service, I am dedicated to addressing key issues. As a local nonprofit founder, I understand the challenges of business owners and will work to foster a supportive business environment. I'm focused on improving essential services, including, transportation, education, healthcare accessibility, and affordable housing options. I believe we must find a way forward together, focusing more on common interests as a foundation to build on. Let's build a better future for our community together.

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City of Bremerton – Council District 6 – 4-year term



Mike Simpson

Elected Experience: City Council for District 6 Member, having beaten the incumbent in 3 previous elections.

Other Professional Experience: I have worked for Fortune 500 companies in senior management positions.

Education: Associate's Degree in Physical Science from Olympic College.

Community Service: As a native of Bremerton, it has always been my objective to serve the community I love. After retiring with 22 years for service from the U.S. Army, I continued to protect our community as a Correction's Officer and Deputy Sheriff serving 13 years with the Kitsap County Sheriff's Office. I am a member of Eagles Aerie 192, American Legion Post 149, and VFW Post 239.

Statement: In the year and a half since leaving office I have watched incompetent, self-serving local officials stoke the flames of divisive politics rather than serve the people they were elected to represent. This is unacceptable! Government should not be an impediment to the daily lives of the people it was intended to serve. We deserve better! Our elected officials should be competent and act with the heart of a servant. I am dedicated to advocating for all Bremerton residents, not just those living in District 6. Public Safety is a core function of government and should be its first priority. I will work within our city charter to effect positive changes to update and modernize our city government. I promise to work tirelessly to reduce the tax burden and operating cost of our government. I will help to preserve, protect and improve our public infrastructure. Our streets, and sidewalks need more attention. I humbly ask for your support in my bid for re-election to the Bremerton City Council as your representative. *Life doesn't happen at the speed of government.*

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Anna Mockler

Elected Experience: Bremerton City Councilor, District Six, 2022-2023. Bremerton PCO, 2018-2022.

Other Professional Experience: I'm very familiar with changing job markets. Union printer (GAIU) until printing went basically extinct. Retrained as wetland scientist, worked at King County DDES, consultant to City of Fircrest, WA-

DOE, etc. When my mother got sick, I moved back to New York, retrained as adjunct professor, CUNY, for Critical Thinking, Writing, and ESL.

Education: BA, Psychology/Anthropology, Antioch College. MA, Environmental Conservation Education, New York University.

Community Service: Activist for Society of Wetland Scientists, Society for Ecological Restoration, Washington Conservation Voters, ACLU, NARAL, Falconworks Community Theater.

Statement: I'm running for re-election to keep being your voice at City Hall. I'll keep working for more transparent government, affordable housing, safe streets for all, and more.

I work to open City actions to you. I've held monthly in-person Townhalls since 2022. I'm a strong voice on Council to represent the people who live here. Now, most planned street projects are on our website, Councilors are more reachable, and public budget workshops are scheduled, so you can help direct where and how your money is spent.

We desperately need more affordable housing. Under my direction, we're finding surplus City-owned properties suitable for affordable housing, especially for the 40% of households who earn less than \$40,000. Mills Crossing, 36 townhomes for unhoused families, opened this summer.

Safe streets build strong communities. I've worked very hard to improve residential streets, not just arterials like Kitsap Way. We deserve streets safe for walkers, strollers, wheelchairs, and bikes, as well as cars. When we move slowly through neighborhoods, we get to know our neighbors, building safer, stronger communities. Vote for Anna Mockler on November 8th. I'll keep representing you for a livable, walkable, responsive Bremerton. Endorsed by Sen. Emily Randall, Rep. Tarra Simmons, more.

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Observe ballot processing in person

Ballot processing is a public meeting. Come watch us work in person as we:

- Test our tabulation system (10 a.m., Tuesday, October 10, 2023)
- Receive ballots
- Verify signatures
- Separate the ballots from the envelopes
- Review ballots for any marks or damage that would keep them from scanning correctly
- Duplicate ballots that cannot be scanned
- Scan ballots
- Review ballots for voter intent
- Audit our tabulation system
- Certify the election



Anyone wishing to observe the process or just learn more details about our rules and procedures is invited to a training offered by Kitsap County Elections. Staff members will go over the processes described above and answer questions. The training will be:

6 p.m., October 18, 2023
Kitsap County Commissioner Chambers
Kitsap County Administration Building
619 Division Street, Port Orchard, WA 98366

If you would like to let us know you plan to attend the training, go to [kitsap.gov/elections](https://www.kitsap.gov/elections) and click on "[Observe Ballot Processing](#)," email us at auditor@kitsap.gov, or call us at (360) 337-7128.

Thank you!

City of Port Orchard – Mayor – 4-year term



Rob Putaansuu

Elected Experience: Nine years on the Port Orchard City Council and seven years as the Port Orchard Mayor. President of the Association of Washington Cities.

Other Professional Experience: 29 years in the Banking Industry, 16 years as the Manager of Columbia Bank in Port Orchard.

Education: 1983 Graduate of South Kitsap High School.

Community Service: Member and Past President of the South Kitsap Rotary Club. Member and Past President of the Port Orchard Chamber of Commerce. Member of the Kurt Wagner Education Fund.

Statement: Having spent most of my life here in Port Orchard, I know our community's strengths and our economic significance in Kitsap County and the Puget Sound Region. I recognize the opportunities we have to improve our quality of life in Port Orchard, and we've taken significant steps to do so during my tenure as Mayor.

As your Mayor, I have fostered a collaborative and inclusive approach in our planning and decision-making processes. The results we've seen include the McCormick Village Park, Rockwell Park, Tremont Street project, a plan for Bethel corridor improvements and plans for downtown redevelopment including a community center.

Crime, drugs, and homelessness are issues that plague our community and our entire State. I'm committed to hiring additional police officers so that we can address these challenges within the limits of the law. Changes in State Law are needed to allow our police officers to perform their duties. As the Mayor of your City and the President of the Association of Washington Cities, I have and will continue to engage our law makers in efforts to pass legislation to make our community safe again.

I ask for your vote again because we have so much more to do.

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Rawlins Maye

Professional Experience: Costco Supervisor 2017-Present; Campus Ambassador at Olympic College 2010-2013; Program Coordinator and Security Hiring Committee Member 2012-2013; Student Leader for Annual Students of Color & Leadership Conferences 2012-2013; State Food Safety Manager Certification; Food Services for Port Orchard Farmers Market, Fathoms

of Fun, The Cruz Car Show, Fire Department, and Port Orchard Police Department 2012-2016; Food Services Concerts by the Bay 2014-2016; Instruct Self-Defense Workshops IGI Fitness 2022-2023

Education: GED & Olympic College Graduate Associate's Degree in Business Management and Technical Arts with focus in General Psychology 2010-2014; Military & Law Enforcement Level Certified Combat Instructor

Statement: I have been a Port Orchard community member for 18 years with over 30 years of experience primarily in supervisory and management roles. As a prior small business owner, I've developed a unique skillset in character development, problem resolution, and working with others.

Port Orchard should be unmatched to other towns in our area, but sadly is becoming unrecognizable with a local government push for development while infrastructure and other needs lag behind.

My vision is to exercise the reinvention of our local culture starting with government living within its means while supporting our community as the true voice of our local government. I will be diligent in resolving concerns and conflicts amongst our local leaders, citizens, and businesses before making necessary decisions, so agreements and policies are made on solid grounds. Community feedback and government transparency ensures our constituents are not misled and instill confidence while working towards excellence. A focus on attracting investors remains very important and should encourage responsible development that respects our community.

Engaging the homeless crisis as well as focusing on our youth in the community cannot be ignored and needs to be addressed thoughtfully with collaborative input from our citizens and neighboring jurisdictions.

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City of Port Orchard – Council Position 1 – 4-year term



Mark Trenary

Elected Experience: Port Orchard City Council 2021 to Current. Member of the City's Economic Development & Tourism, Utility / Sewer Advisory and Transportation committees.

Biography: Citizen of Port Orchard for 36+ years. Married for 39 years and raised 2 daughters who graduated from South Kitsap. Long

time small business owner / operator in Port Orchard. Member of the Planning Commission for 6 years. Member and Past President of the South Kitsap Rotary Club. Multiyear board member of the Port Orchard Chamber of Commerce. Member of the Kurt Wagner Education Foundation. Facilitator of the memorial bench program along the Port Orchard waterfront pathway.

Statement: Port Orchard is my home. We have so many things here to be grateful for. We also have many challenges. Crime, drug abuse, homelessness, and traffic congestion affect our personal lifestyles. State laws are being passed making it harder and much more costly for cities to effectively deal with these issues. We need experienced and successful businesspeople involved in the decisions of our city council. Our City Council has worked hard to protect our citizens from expensive infrastructure upgrades by implementing higher fees on developers, to pay for the improvements needed for their projects. We have also passed a slight increase to the sales tax in the city, with the revenue earmarked to the Bethel Corridor transportation projects to improve traffic flow. This will be paid by everyone who shops in our city, not just our city residents. The city should continue to increase the size of our police force and look for ways to provide better services for the homeless. We owe this to every citizen of Port Orchard.

I ask for your vote to re-elect me to the city council to continue to fight for every citizen in our city because Port Orchard is *our* home.

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Wilbur L Hart

Professional Experience: Six years commercial logging operations experience (Present) Blue Goose Team Member (5 years)

Statement: As a lifelong Port Orchard resident, I hope to serve as councilman to help design a city that is sustainable for all of our citizens.

My vision is for Port Orchard to be an inclusive community with representatives who listen to all. I'd like to help make council more transparent in both actions and community communication.

Without losing focus on safe utilities and improved infrastructure I will support incremental development. Through evaluating city codes and policies, I hope to contribute to eliminating barriers to affordable and sustainable housing.

I am also passionate about improving pedestrian and bicycle safety through road/ sidewalk repairs and expansion without impacting our loyal residents who already reside downtown. Your vote today is a vote for the future of Port Orchard. A future in which our council representation is there to protect our community, not further the agenda of those with special interests. Vote Wilbur Hart.

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City of Port Orchard – Council Position 4 – 4-year term



Eric Worden

Professional Experience: Kitsap County Public Works 1995 - Present. Inspection Staff in the Water Quality Stormwater Division, Small Business Owner PNW Mow and Go LLC, South Kitsap School District Head Middle School Baseball Coach.

Education: South Kitsap High School Graduate 1994. Olympic

Community College 1996

Community Service: Appointed: City of Port Orchard Civil Service Commission 2022 - Current, SKHS Baseball Coach, John Sedgwick Jr High Baseball Coach, Director of several youth baseball summer programs, South Kitsap Western Little League Coach and Board Member. South Kitsap Football Parents Association Board Member, SKSD Volunteer.

Statement: I have been fortunate to serve the citizens of Kitsap County as a Public Works employee since 1995. With my focus on the utility division, I have substantial infrastructure knowledge. Development is coming to the Peninsula. Port Orchard is a desirable community to live in. I am a proponent for responsible development. We need to have our infrastructure in place first. Within KCPW, I respond to citizens concerns daily. By listening, understanding, and communicating we're able to mitigate these concerns. Every citizen deserves to be heard, which requires an approachable mindset. In a small community, one-high-school town, we should be able to put names and faces to all elected officials. Transparency is crucial. We should have trust, open communication, and security within local government. Daily I hear neighbors, business owners, citizens, and friends expressing their dream of living in a beautiful, safe, growing community. I can help guide us. I will continue to enhance public safety, protect our families and community, while focusing on beautifying and improving what we currently have as a priority. I will be your voice, while utilizing my leadership skills to be socially and fiscally responsible.

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John W Clauson

Biography: I have proudly served Port Orchard since being appointed to the City Council in 1983. I also bring extensive experience from my 40-year career at Kitsap Transit, including serving as the Executive Director for over 11 years. I am the immediate past president of the Washington State Transit Association and the recipient of the 2023 Economic Champion Award.

Statement: I am excited to seek re-election to the City Council and continue serving our wonderful community. Since my appointment in 1983, I have been actively involved in committees and initiatives that help shape the future of Port Orchard. Currently, I chair the City Council Finance Committee, where I work to ensure responsible fiscal management.

Our city government has made great strides in creating a cooperative and productive environment, leading to significant achievements. We have successfully completed important projects like the Tremont Street expansion, the first phase of the Bay Street pedestrian path, and McCormick Village Park.

If re-elected, my priorities include completing the Bay Street pedestrian path, improving Bethel Avenue, and driving the downtown revitalization project. By establishing a Community Center and fostering job opportunities, we can breathe new life into our downtown area and boost our local economy. Together, we can make Port Orchard a more vibrant and thriving city.

I am grateful for your trust and support in the past, and I ask for your continued endorsement. With my experience in public service and my knowledge from my career in leadership at Kitsap Transit, I bring a practical and dedicated approach to addressing the challenges we face.

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City of Port Orchard – Council Position 5 – 4-year term



Heidi Fenton

Professional Experience: Small Business Owner, Heidi's Haven Daycare 1989-2020. As a childcare service provider, I provided educational activities, social interaction, nutritional meals, and provided for the overall needs of children and families as well as day to day business management.

Education: BA in Child and Family Studies from Washington State University, 1988.

Community Service: Port Orchard Rotary, Co-Chair Rotary Membership Committee, Rotary Representative to the Port Orchard Chamber of Commerce, Member of the Port Orchard Bay Street Association, Sidney Art Museum.

Statement: I have lived in the Port Orchard Community for 25 years and raised five children with my husband Lee.

It's time for a fresh change to our City Council. Our community continues to grow and so do the challenges. I intend to bring change to our council offering listening skills, open communication, no hidden agendas, and a focus on solutions that respect our citizens rights and are fiscally responsible to the taxpayer. I will be a positive leader supporting local businesses, responsible development, our youth, and the ever-challenging infrastructure shortfalls that need addressing. I am a staunch advocate for our local law enforcement, South Kitsap School District, and of course our local businesses who are the backbone of our community's economy.

Mental Health and homelessness continue to be a crisis in our community. It's important our council be involved in solutions helping with avenues directing people to prompt resources and aid as needed.

I *will* work for you, *listen* to your voice, and work together to make Port Orchard the *Best City Ever!* I am honored to be endorsed by local businesses: Irene's Photos and Design, Whiskey Gulch, and Irresistible Pets.

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Cindy Lucarelli

Elected Experience: 2011-2023 Port Orchard City Council Position #5. Chair of Utilities, Sewer Advisory and Festival of Chimes & Lights Committees. Mayor Pro Tempore: 2022 & 2014

Other Professional Experience: 29 Years Independent Business Owner. President: Oakbrook HOA, Lakewood

Education: University of Wisconsin

Community Service: Past President: Rotary Club of South Kitsap. Executive Director of Cedar Cove Association; Co-founder of Cedar Cove Days 2009. AVID High School Student Mentor. Board Service: Olympic College Foundation, Kitsap Economic Development Association (KEDA), Rotary Club of South Kitsap.

Statement: It has been rewarding to serve on the Port Orchard City Council, as we've worked to complete necessary infrastructure and projects that have and will add vitality to our community. An aging utility system requires continual upgrades as we seek to provide for the present and future; a balancing act to provide affordable utilities as government mandates make for more expensive delivery. Water rights, rising sea levels, increased waste water regulations and mandated housing densities are just a few of the challenges currently being addressed as we move on towards 2024.

On a lighter note, I have loved all the minutes of serving as chair to run the Festival of Chimes & Lights. An event that brings out so many to kick off the holiday season, it showcases the talents of P.O. kids and families.

Collaborative work between the mayor, council and staff has allowed for measureable progress. It is exciting to work towards continued revitalization and thoughtful growth in the town I love, and imperative that we make use of all of our resources as carefully as possible, to allow for affordability and availability moving forward.

Thank you for your trust and please consider voting for me in 2023.

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Kaylan Marie O'Connor

Professional Experience: Eight-year tenure with the Department of Defense.

Education: Bachelor of Applied Science - Organization Leadership & Technical Management; Associate in Applied Science - Leadership & Occupational Studies; Associate in Technical Arts - Industrial Trade Technician/Apprentice Graduate

Statement: Dear residents of Port Orchard, my candidacy for City Council Representative is driven by a deep love for our community and the need for meaningful change. As a lifelong resident of the Kitsap Peninsula, I understand our challenges and the incredible potential within our city.

Balancing growth and citizens' needs is crucial. I support small businesses and responsible development, provided infrastructure investment keeps pace. Special interests must not overshadow our community's needs. I will prioritize sustainable growth and advocate for policies benefiting all residents.

Having experienced the frustrations with our city administration while building my own home, I am determined to bring about positive change. I will hold the city administration accountable to you, the people.

With local and Washington D.C. administrative experience, I have a track record of effecting change. As your representative, I will be your voice on the City Council, fighting for common sense policies. On November 7th, I ask for your support and vote. Together, let's build a city that truly represents and serves its residents. I am committed to working tirelessly on your behalf and bringing about the positive change we need.

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John Morrissey

Professional Experience: General Manager - Kitsap RV (Current); 15 years of experience working in the banking industry at Kitsap Credit Union and US Bank in retail banking, lending, and management; Store Manager – Dillard's; Class of 2021 Leadership Kitsap 20 under 40 Honoree

Community Service: Kitsap Public Facilities District Board of Directors (Port Orchard Representative) – Vice Chair; Port Orchard Bay Street Association Member; Greater Kitsap Chamber of Commerce – Board Chair; Downtown Bremerton Association – President; Bremerton Chamber of Commerce – Past Board Chair; Kitsap Asset Building Coalition – Past Chair; Kitsap Community Resources – Past Board of Directors

Statement: I am running for city council because I want to make a difference for our city, our families, and our future. I imagine most people are like me...they want a flourishing community. They want clean, usable spaces like parks, trails, and roads. They want a healthy business community with options on where to spend their time and money. Over the past years, I've spent time raising my family, building my career, and working with leaders from all walks of life here in Kitsap. I'd like to put my experience to work for Port Orchard.

I want to provide transparent, approachable, and communicative leadership that will represent you in our local government. When it comes to spending your tax dollars, I'll be referring to the voice of my community. The key to responsible government is to understand the needs of the constituents.

Port Orchard is a growing community. I want to ensure we bring new resources and thoughtful planning to our future growth as a community. My experience working with leaders throughout our region demonstrates my ability to build consensus and lead through any challenges facing our community. I am committed to supporting our city and enhancing our quality of life.

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City of Poulsbo – Council Position 1 – 4-year term



Zach Ellis

Professional Experience: Legislative Assistant WA State House of Representatives, Ophthalmic Technician - Various Eye Care Clinics in Kitsap, USPS, AmeriCorps VISTA, and English Teacher in South Korea.

Education: Northern Michigan University, B.A.

Community Service: Kitsap Adopt a Spot, Adopt a Highway, and Poulsbo Sons of Norway.

Statement: As a young candidate I offer a fresh perspective and a deep commitment to our city's prosperity. Focusing on inclusivity, innovation, and collaboration, I aim to bring a new generation of leadership to our community and create a vibrant, sustainable Poulsbo we can all be proud of. As a member of the LGBTQ+ community, I know how important it is to have a welcoming home and I'll champion diversity, belonging, and equity, ensuring every resident feels valued and included. I promise to listen to all voices to make well-rounded policies that reflect our community.

Supporting local businesses is crucial, and I'll advocate for entrepreneurship and responsible growth. I'll promote fiscal pragmatism and transparency, and work towards long term financial stability.

I'll prioritize infrastructure upgrades, safe streets, and housing affordability to accommodate our growing community. I'll also focus on preserving our natural environment, enriching our existing green spaces, and implementing climate-friendly policies for long-term sustainability.

I humbly ask for your trust and support as we build a vibrant, inclusive, and resilient city. Together, we'll shape a brighter future for Poulsbo and ensure a thriving community for generations to come.

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Rick Eckert

Elected Experience: North Kitsap School Board Director, 2017-2023; NKSD Board Vice President, 2018-2021; NKSD Board Liaison to the City of Poulsbo, 2019-2023

Other Professional Experience: Records Manager, Trident Refit Facility and Naval Hospital Bremerton; Retired Navy Chief Petty Officer

Education: Bachelor of Arts History; Bachelor of Science Social Science; Certificate in Diversity Studies

Community Service: Active community member wherever I lived, I participated in numerous school booster groups and PTAs. Volunteered with charitable organizations literally around the globe and at home. Volunteered with Kitsap Area Veterans' Alliance, Member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Poulsbo Chapter and the Sons of Norway. Poulsbo City Pedestrian Safety Committee member.

Statement: Poulsbo is facing a number of challenges - growth, changing demographics and culture, and an evolving economy. As a city, we cannot prevent change. It is how we prepare and plan for it that matters. I believe that the key is a fiscally healthy city. If the city is fiscally healthy, it can provide updated infrastructure, a well-trained and fully staffed police force, civic services, parks, and social services we desperately need. It is important that we work closely with our neighbors in the county, tribal and federal governments to achieve this goal. As an experienced School Board member, NKSD Liaison to the City since 2019, and a 20-year Navy veteran, I believe that I am distinctly positioned to join the Council and address these challenges. Moving to Poulsbo with the Navy in 2008, I care deeply for my community and its residents and want only what is best for this city. My unique point of view will allow me to critically look at what is working and what is not, what needs to change, and we can proudly carry forward. If elected, I will do my very best to represent all residents of Poulsbo and would appreciate your vote.

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City of Poulsbo – Council Position 2 – 4-year term



Pam Crowe

Education: B.A. in Admin and Organizational Leadership, Brandman University; Masters in information and library Science, San Jose State University

Community Service: Leadership Kitsap 2015 Graduate; Kiwanis Club of Bremerton 2015–2019, and Club President 2019; NAACP Bremerton Unit 1134, 2017-2019.

Statement: I've lived in Kitsap County all my life and in Poulsbo since 2007. I have forty years of experience providing customer service at an area organization. I've learned it's important to make space for collective voices encouraging varied perspectives in the interest of the community.

Poulsbo is a wonderful place with vibrant scenery and attractions and should be proud of its rich history and unique Nordic flavor. However, it's not exempt from the struggles many cities across the nation are facing.

We have an opportunity to reweave our city's changing fabric by modeling tolerance and learning. We can honor and celebrate longstanding traditions while at the same time truly welcoming cultural diversity; this kind of civic commitment promotes a sense of connection and belonging for all, and only enriches Poulsbo's ongoing development as a city and as a community.

Our residents deserve to know their local government is ensuring their safety, well-being, and health. As a member of the City Council, I will join in the effort to balance public safety, housing needs, economic vitality, and environmental concerns in the face of climate change. I look forward to the opportunity to play a role for positive change in Poulsbo.

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City of Poulsbo – Council Position 3 – 4-year term



Britt Livdahl

Elected Experience: Poulsbo City Council Position 3 – 2020-Present

Biography: I'm a real estate broker, designer, and short-term rental host with a passion for creating spaces and experiences that allow people to connect and feel at ease. I've been a resident of Poulsbo since 1990 and have grown roots here and invested

deeply in this community. My education has come in the form of lived experience and hard work – previously as a bartender, barista, and nanny. As a creative entrepreneur, I'm fortunate to forge my own path in business, and I look forward to all the future possibilities.

Statement: Since taking office in 2020, it's been my privilege to serve as an elected representative. Through the ambiguity and constant adaptation of the pandemic, a global social justice movement, and the everyday operations of a small city, it's been a time of incredible challenges and opportunities. What's clear is that Poulsbo is a strong, resilient, and generous community of people who care deeply for each other.

There's so much still to do, and in many ways, it feels like I've just gotten started. However, during my tenure on Council I've shown up broadly to advocate for diversity, equity, inclusion, affordable housing, meaningful public art, restored relations with our Suquamish neighbors, economic development, and more. I'm idealistic and believe that empathy, creativity, and love *do* belong in government. I work to embody these values and forge strong and authentic relationships with my community and City staff. I'm currently the City Council liaison to the Chamber of Commerce and the Historic Downtown Poulsbo Association, as well as part of the three-member committees for government relations to the Suquamish Tribal Council and the Bainbridge Island City Council.

It's an absolute honor to have the continued support of the residents of Poulsbo. Thank you!

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City of Poulsbo – Council Position 4 – 4-year term



Reba Harris

Professional Experience: Manager, Kitsap Mental Health (beginning) - June 5, 2023; Mental health therapist, Fishline Comprehensive Services 2022-2023; Extensive record working with substance abuse, the opioid epidemic, and mental health, including Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe and King County Public Health.

Education: Masters in social work, Walden University, 2022; BA in Community and Organizational Development, Evergreen State College, 2013; Human Services Program, Olympic College 2011

Community Service: Testified in WA Legislature in 2022 advocating for a bill assisting victims of sex trafficking; extensive volunteering for women's health, and restorative justice practices. I have also engaged in community education forums and provided group facilitation for Parents for Parents.

Statement: My story as the daughter of an immigrant Filipino mother and a southern Black father has given me valuable perspectives, I'm eager to bring to Poulsbo's City Council. I have a master's in social work and have served Kitsap County for 16 years in various behavioral health service positions and nonprofit agencies.

I am committed, energetic, and community-minded, eager to share skills and experience. I'm proud of my ability to create an equitable and non-judgmental space. I work to meet people where they are in the change process. As a new Councilmember, I'd deliver fresh energy, work to promote diversity, and center lived experiences of communities whose voices have been historically excluded and underrepresented.

Poulsbo isn't alone in facing urgent questions: how can it support more affordable housing for its working population, and craft lasting solutions for the unhoused? How can it provide quality services for seniors, a rapidly growing sector? And holistic youth development programs. How can it preserve its beloved Nordic heritage while truly welcoming its Black, Asian, Latin(x), LGBTQIA, and other communities including Tribal neighbors? How can city government meet the challenges of growth and climate crises, and step up to foster change and combat racism?

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Doug Newell

Professional Experience: Currently I am a City of Poulsbo Planning Commissioner. Previously, I led Finance and Construction for Central Kitsap School District, building schools and community partnerships, including the new Central Kitsap Campus, the Seabeck Community Center and the new Silverdale Library. As a Naval Officer, I led business

operations both ashore and at sea. In 2012, I retired as a Captain.

Education: Senior Executive Program - Columbia University; MBA, University of Kansas; BS Geology, Arizona State.

Community Service: North Kitsap School District Finance and Facilities Committees; Steering Committee – Poulsbo Event and Recreation Center; Board Member, Central Kitsap Community Council; Youth Soccer Coach.

Statement: Kitsap first became my home 30 years ago while I served on a submarine. I quickly recognized its unique qualities – the people, environment, and economic opportunities it offers. After experiencing diverse cultures around the world with the Navy and private industry, I returned to Kitsap in 2014 with my wife and daughter.

Our responsibility is to ensure that Poulsbo thrives as a community where we can live, work, and flourish. I believe it starts with active listening. I have dedicated myself to enhancing the communities I am a part of. In CKSD, I collaborated with students, teachers, and the community to identify needs and create wonderful learning environments. As a Planning Commissioner, I contributed to refining our city's vision, guiding principles, and present and future goals.

As a council member, I am committed to amplifying our community's voices and harnessing the spirit of Poulsbo for an inclusive and positive future. By fostering collaboration and building strong relationships, there is nothing we can't accomplish.

Looking ahead, I find inspiration in my daughter, a graduate of NKHS, who created Poulsbo's Day of Positivity in 2019. I promise to follow her lead by seeking out the positive in every situation.

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Bremerton School District No. 100-C – Director Position 1 – 4-year term



Karen J Bolton

Biography: Dr. Bolton has spent her career serving our country and community. After serving in the Navy focused on training sailors, Dr. Bolton worked as a professor at Olympic College, training specialist at Puget Sound Naval Shipyard, and now as a member of the City of Bremerton’s Race Equity Advisory Committee.

Elected Experience: Current Bremerton School District Director.

Education: GED; BS in Workforce Education Development from SIUC; MA in from Chapman University; Doctorate of Education from Brandman University.

Other Professional Experience: United States Navy, 20 years. Past Board Member of Leadership Kitsap and YWCA of Kitsap County. Current Legislative Committee Member of Washington State School Directors’ Association.

Statement: When I decided to run for Director, I did so to serve our community and give students opportunities I never had growing up. Having served in the Navy for 20 years and persevering from high school dropout to Doctor of Education, I’m no stranger to public service and the possibilities education can provide.

In my first term on the school board, we experienced – and overcame – unprecedented challenges. We supported the district through COVID without laying off any staff. We ensured all students were fed. We successfully passed our levies, continuing to invest in education in uncertain times. And we passed policies around racism and equity in our hiring practices, ensuring a welcoming workplace for all.

With your support, I will continue to advocate for educational policies that benefit Bremerton. I am committed to excellence, equity, and accessibility to ensure every student receives a high-quality, well-rounded education, regardless of their plans after graduation. I will continue to be your advocate for students’ rights, parents’ rights, integrating technology, promoting innovation, and nurturing critical thinking.

It is an honor serving our schools and bringing my unique life experience and passion for education to our school board. I ask for your vote.

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Lance Byrd

Professional Experience: Sr. Technical Program Manager at worlds largest cloud compute provider from Sep 2022 to Present. 20+ additional years serving in the roles of IT manager, programmer, network administrator, systems architect, and technical support engineer.

Education: Attended Ballard High School (1984-1988), Received GED, High School Diploma, and Associates of Applied Science in Electrical Engineering Technologies from North Seattle College. Hold associate level Amazon Web Services certifications for Solutions Architect and System Operations.

Community Service: Volunteer technical support for my church.

Statement: A question I asked myself before running for school board director was this, what should be the focus of the Bremerton School District? The answer should be to teach our students at a high level: reading, writing and mathematics as these are foundational to all the other skills that will be needed to be competitive in the private and public job sectors.

To accomplish this, policies need to be put in place that will provide students with competent school administration, bar raising teachers, mentoring and tutoring assistance when needed, and to minimize social distractions.

My priorities as a school board director will be the following: Ensure the safety of students. Listen to parents priorities and concerns and act when warranted. Review curriculum and ensure it is age appropriate and be transparent with parents. Review and question the administration about proposed policies before approving. Provide the administration guidance when proposals conflict with parents priorities. Provide value for the tax dollars collected and only consider additional taxes as a last resort.

If you agree with this set of priorities, I would appreciate your vote. If you have questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out.

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Bremerton School District No. 100-C – Director Position 2 – 4-year term



John Paul Hurley

Elected Experience: Bremerton School Board 2019-Present

Professional Experience: Leadership Kitsap Graduate Class of 2016, UCLA Head Start Management Fellows Program Graduate 2017

Education: Washington State University BA Human Development-Early Childhood Growth and Development, BS Psychology

Community Service: Bremerton Soccer Club Board Member 2018-Present, Bremerton Soccer Club Volunteer Coach 2014-Present. South Kitsap Lacrosse Club Volunteer Coach 2022-2023

Statement: I am seeking re-election for Position 2 of the Bremerton School Board. As a parent and an active participant in our district, I have seen firsthand the challenges and opportunities our schools face. I believe that my experience and dedication to our students and community make me a strong candidate for this position.

If re-elected, I will work to ensure that our students receive the education they need and deserve. I understand that education is not one-size-fits-all, and I will advocate for resources and programs that meet the diverse needs of our students. I prioritize transparency and accountability, ensuring the school board is accountable to the community.

One of my priorities is improving communication between the school board, administration, teachers, and parents. I believe that communication can help us better understand the needs and concerns of everyone, and find solutions.

I will also work to ensure that our schools are safe, inclusive, and welcoming for all students. This includes exploring policies to address bullying and discrimination, promoting mental health and wellness, and supporting programs that promote kindness, empathy, and understanding. I am committed to working with our community to improve our schools and help our students reach their full potential.

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Bremerton School District No. 100-C – Director Position 3 – 4-year term



Jonee Dubos

Elected Experience: Bremerton School Board 2015 to Present

Other Professional Experience: For the last 35 years I have had the pleasure of working as an accountant, tax advisor, and small business advisor.

Education: Bachelor of Science in Accounting, EA, MBA

Community Service: Board member of Bremerton Schools Foundation, Former PTA member of Crownhill, Mountain View Middle School, and Bremerton High School, Form board member of Kitsap Alliance, Served on several Levy Committees

Statement: It has been an honor to serve on the Bremerton School Board (BSD). Myself, husband and three kids all went through the BSD proudly. As a resident and business owner of Bremerton I feel I have an obligation to do my part to support our community. My commitment to public education started with volunteering

in the classroom. There I realized teachers and staff do more than teach, they mentor, innovate, provide a safe and caring environment and more. How can we as a community help? We will provide safe, inviting and innovative facilities. We will attract and hire qualified, diverse and innovative educators and leadership. We will offer programming, support systems, athletics, arts and music opportunities to support the entire educational journey K-12. We will work with community partners to bridge support and programming. Public education is a home for all kids. Educating children is a huge responsibility, but when we all share that responsibility and do our part we can do more and be more. If you have some time, please consider volunteering at your local school or visiting a school board meeting. I will continue to work with staff, leadership and community in Kitsap's best kept secret.

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Bainbridge Island School District No. 303 – Director District 1 – 4-year term



Kelly Cancialosi

Professional Experience: Principal Attorney, Cancialosi Corporate Law Group PLLC, Bainbridge Island, WA

Education: JD, with honors, University of Florida College of Law

Community Service: President, Parent Teacher Organization for Sonoji Sakai Intermediate School; Voting Member, Bainbridge Island Parent Teacher Organization

Coordinating Council; Enrichment Chair and classroom volunteer, Ķalilc (Halilts) Elementary School; Board Member, Peacock Family Services.

Statement: As a mom of a child who has had the privilege to attend Bainbridge Island public schools his entire academic life, I made the decision to run for School Board Director to ensure Bainbridge schools continue this tradition of excellence. I believe that a quality public education rooted in equity is one of the best things we can give our children to set them up for success in life.

I have lived on Bainbridge Island for over 11 years, and I'm dedicated to this community. It is home. Through my work in the schools and on the various PTOs and the PTOCC, I have collaborated with District leadership for years to benefit our children.

Applying the same skills that have made me a successful corporate attorney - working collaboratively, making data driven decisions, and advocating and engaging with people – provides the framework to support all students in our District.

I wholeheartedly believe in and support the District Improvement Plan and will use it to guide all of my decision-making. I thank you for considering me as a candidate, and I look forward to earning your vote.

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Bainbridge Island School District No. 303 – Director District 3 – 4-year term



Sanjay Pal

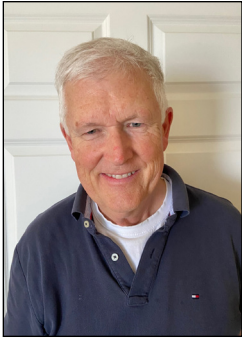
Elected Experience: 4 years experience (2019 to Present) as Board Director District 3

Education: BS Engineering, UC Berkeley, MBA Columbia Business School

Statement: After four years of experience working collaboratively through an unprecedented pandemic and navigating systemic declines in enrollment, I am excited to continue fair and balanced leadership as the Board Director District 3. I intend to continue to work hard to see that BISS 303 continues to deliver excellent educational outcomes in the face of what will be a challenging financial environment for the district in the coming years

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Thomas R. Greene

Elected Experience: Perhaps my biggest claim to fame is I'm the bicycle commuter you see picking up trash along Lynwood Center Road. Joel Pritchard said he asked me what ball I thought he should use for his new plywood paddle game he was inventing and I suggested a wiffle ball which developed into the ball used by pickleballers everywhere. Little

League coach 17 years, CEO small food brokerage company headquarters in Winslow since 1988; economics degree Claremont; perennial attendee school board meetings; district curriculum committee three 6 year terms.

Why run? Because of love Bainbridge schools and hope to make them better.

Statement: It's time to step up...a time for leadership. The faculty and administration is overworked, underpaid, constantly running for cover. Some students have lost about a year of learning due to the shut down. School finances are in trouble. We can't afford to wait around for instructions from Olympia anymore.

The board recently gutted the best curriculum review process in the state which included the key provision that teachers should do their best to let parents know when controversial materials will be presented to their children. Parents should be allowed to know what's going on in the classroom.

The board should 1) invite a member of the faculty to board meetings, 2) call on the amazing talents we have on Bainbridge for ideas, 3) relax a little, chill out and return comity to the meetings, 4) find new ways to support our teachers, 5) fix US history in 8th grade that was reduced to half year and the Civil War was removed. 6) think of students and staff as individuals rather than stereotypes, 7) implement basic economics curriculum for all students even a 6th grader can understand 8) bring back the requirement that all students must pass American Studies to graduate

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Evan Saint Clair

Elected Experience: Appointed School Board Director in 2023

Other Professional Experience: 15+ years as a business owner serving small fitness and wellness communities, creating diverse ways to empower my clientele to better serve their members. From designing high school PE curriculum to creating nutrition programs for

firefighters, each challenge builds upon the last. Other work highlights include years working in a nonprofit daycare serving homeless families and teaching in a rural school in India.

Education: BA in Political Science and Conflict Resolution from George Washington University

Community Service: President Odyssey Multiage Program, Board Member Bainbridge Island Mountain Biking Association, lead volunteer Battle Point Astronomical Association kids program.

Statement: I've lived on Bainbridge for the last 10 years and feel lucky to have my 7th and 3rd graders thriving in our outstanding schools. As a former PTO president and with my recent appointment as school board director, I've found I love the work surrounding our curriculum, buildings, staffing, budget and community engagement.

While excellent, our school district faces real challenges. We've emerged from a difficult pandemic with declining enrollment and kids who need extra help. Our teachers need more support than ever as they nurture our students' scholarship, strength and resilience. And our students need to know they are seen and valued as they navigate their unique challenges.

As a school board member, I believe in deepening our commitment to the successful collaboration between the board, teachers, staff, parents, students and community members that created our powerful district improvement plan. I've learned to value the loud voices, but seek out the quiet ones. I believe we must continue pursuing equity, diversity and each child's sense of belonging. And I lean on my experience as a business owner and lifelong volunteer, where my mantra is always to ask, 'how can I help?'

Let's work together to continue pursuing Bainbridge excellence.

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North Kitsap School District No. 400 – Director District 2 – 4-year term



Mike Desmond

Elected Experience: Vice President, North Kitsap School Board, Director District 2, 2019-Present.

Other Professional Experience: U.S. Navy Submarine Officer, 2003-2017. U.S. Navy Reserve Officer, 2017-Present. Technical Program Manager, 2017-Present.

Education: BS Computer Science, United States Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD, 2003. Masters of Engineering Management, Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA, 2010.

Community Service: Vice President, Poulsbo Elementary School, Parent Teacher Student Association (PTSA), 2018-2019. Veteran Mentor, American Corporate Partners (ACP), 2017-Present. Coach, North Kitsap Little League (NKLL), 2014-2021. Member, Work of Honor, 2017-Present.

Statement: I am the proud parent of two children in the North Kitsap School District, a Commander in the U.S. Navy Reserves, and have served as a School Board Director for the past four years. Being a parent in the district I serve gives me a unique perspective because my family is directly affected by the policies I vote on. I will continue to give these policy decisions the same level of attention and deliberation that all North Kitsap families, including my own, expect.

I plan to focus on three main areas in my next term as a School Board Director. My first priority is safety. All students should feel safe at school so that they can focus on learning. My second priority is fairness. All students should be given the same opportunities regardless of their ability, background, or family's income. My third priority is modernizing our school facilities. All students should have access to technology that facilitates modern teaching methods.

Most importantly, I am committed to conducting myself in a professional and collaborative manner. I will continue to work with parents, the community, and school district staff to ensure that we are all in for all students!

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Education: Magnuson Community High School (1994), Olympic College (2007), University of Alaska Fairbanks (current)

Community Service: Washington State Parent Advisory Group, Unsung Hero, Tribal Infant and Child Mental Health Consultation Work Group, Governor's Early Learning Advisory Council, Kitsap Community Resources Board of Directors, MomsRising, Destination Imagination Team Manager, Bremerton School District Native American Parent Advisory Committee, AmeriCorps

Statement: As a long-time Kitsap County resident, Alaska Native woman, mother, and advocate for education, my journey has shaped my commitment to our community's schools. As the sole high school graduate in my family, I've seen the challenges faced by students, particularly those often overlooked. Despite the obstacles, I've dedicated myself to amplifying unheard voices while sometimes feeling invisible myself.

My most enlightening experiences came from raising my autistic son and navigating the complex special education system. Through this, I learned not just to advocate for my son, but to empower other parents to do the same, making the system more transparent and accessible.

Now, as a school board candidate, I'm committed to turning my experiences into service for our community. My goal is to ensure every voice—students, parents, and staff—is central to our decisions and that no member of our education community feels unseen or unheard. I'm dedicated to greater transparency, inclusivity, and respect for our diverse histories, always prioritizing better outcomes for every student.

Join me as we work together to make 'a seat at the table' a lived promise, valuing each child, and building a brighter future for our North Kitsap Schools.

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North Kitsap School District No. 400 – Director District 4 – 4-year term



Beverly Godfrey

Elected Experience: NK Education Association Representative, Olympic UniServe Representative

Other Professional Experience: Classroom Teacher K-4, Specialist (PE & Reading), District Science Coordinator, & Student Teacher-Mentor. Accolades received: NK Outstanding Teacher of the Year (2019) Regional Elementary

Science Teacher (1994). Governor's Award for community service (1985)

Education: First-generation college student: Olympic College (AA) and the University of Washington (BA in Elementary Education). Additional graduate coursework in Science, Literacy, & Mathematics.

Community Service: Student Teacher Mentor, Curriculum Adoption Committee Member, After-School Science Club Leader & Founder, WA State Mentor Program, Leaders in Literacy Program, South Kitsap YMCA Program Coordinator. Wrote and secured many grants for supplemental math and science materials.

Statement: Did you have a student in my classroom? Maybe! I loved working with hundreds of families during my many years of teaching. After retiring in 2021, I am eager to get back to serving my community by representing District 4 on the North Kitsap School Board.

My husband, Glen, and I enjoy traveling the world to better understand other cultures— we have spent considerable time in Europe and the Middle East. Mostly, we love adventuring locally with our four children and grandchildren. I was born and raised in Kitsap County; I love it here, and I want your kids to feel at home in North Kitsap and in their schools.

Growing up, my parents spoke little English making it hard to have open teacher-parent discourse, which is why I advocate for accessible communication. Ultimately, my goal is to prioritize parent involvement while concurrently respecting the expertise of the classroom teacher. Thanks to my decades of experience in various roles in the school system, I understand the jargon, acronyms, and history associated with our school district. My first-hand experience seeing how district policies affect students, families, and teachers will make me a more informed and empathetic school board member.

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Terri Schumacher

Professional Experience: Owner and Founder, The Head Hunter Salon, Poulsbo, WA 1999 to Present

Education: Graduate Thomas Jefferson High School, Auburn, WA 1990; Lee Cosmetology School, Auburn, WA 1990

Community Service: Past President Historic Downtown

Poulsbo Association; Former Committee Chair, Seattle Jaycees, Seattle Seafair Ambassador Program; Former Youth Advisor, DeMolay Sweetheart Program

Statement: As a parent in the North Kitsap School District, I believe that open communication with students, parents, staff, and our community are key to providing a healthy environment where all our children can thrive.

As a small business owner, I have found that honest communication has been a large factor in my business's success, especially with balancing my clients' and colleagues' expectations. I have partnered with my children's primary and secondary schools, as a member of the PTA, participating in fundraising, volunteering in the classroom, and advocating for educational plans. I believe this district has become polarized by political beliefs, which continues to cause much strife. Our kids deserve a strong school system, which will help launch them into successful adulthood.

Putting the needs of our students first is paramount. In order to assure that student needs are met, we must support our teachers and staff. I support the continued development and implementation of educational programs and pathways that address each student's background, learning style, talents, and goals. It is the Board's responsibility to provide programs and services to meet individual needs.

The tasks ahead of us are many. I am ready to work hard as your School Board Director.

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North Kitsap School District No. 400 – Director District 5 – 4-year term



Stacy Mills

Professional Experience:

Port Gamble S’Klallam Tribal Government 2010 - 2022 Family Assistance Program, Child & Family Services Department; presently at the Health Services Department in the Community Health Center as the Continuous Improvement Specialist.

I have worked with State and Federal agencies such as DSHS, OSPI, & USDA in partnership with Tribal Government to bring services to our local community of students and families.

Education: BA Interdisciplinary Studies from Eastern WA University; AA from Edmonds Community College; NK Highschool graduate

Community Service: I have been a board member of Kingston Cares, a local 501c3, since 2016 and have been a part of several community partnerships.

Statement: I was born and raised in Kingston at our family homestead (family home since 1914). Four generations of my family have graduated from NKSD. Every child should have an opportunity at the best education for them; educational equity means that each child receives what they need to develop to their full academic and social potential.

I am running for School Board to bring my voice and experience to grow through challenges within our district to make our schools the very best they can be for the students. It is important that the board reflect our diverse community of families, and that it do so transparently and openly with our community. Our public schools have a duty to make fiscally responsible spending and budget allocation decisions, while providing an equitable education for all. Through my experience in State, Federal and other grants and program management and administration I hope to work on creative funding use for programming within the district. I hope to increase openness and communication with the board and our families to ensure that we can guide our district in the most effective and efficient way forward in order to continue to strive for greatness within *all* NK schools.

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Melanie Miller

Elected Experience: None

Other Professional Experience: Surface Warfare Officer (Nuclear), Active Duty US Navy (1995-2000), Information Technology Consultant (2003-2007), Exercise Planning Associate, Booz Allen Hamilton (2010-2011), Staff Officer providing leadership in Operations, Training, Manpower and Human Resources

supporting major local and national commands in both the Active Duty US Navy (2007-2010, 2011-2013) and Navy Reserves, (2000-2007, 2013-2016). Retired from Navy Reserves in 2016 as a Commander.

Education: B.S. Geological Sciences, University of Notre Dame (1995), Naval Nuclear Power School (1998)

Community Service: 13 years as NKSD classroom and parent volunteer. Member of the non-profit North Kitsap Options Parent Group (2007-2016, 2019-present). Served on the NKOPG Steering Committee (2008-2012).

Statement: We need to have the courage to face the problems in our District and schools head-on with open and honest dialogue. By working together and *listening* to our community, we become trustworthy partners in providing the best education we can for our children.

We need to ensure our schools are *safe places*. Children need a secure and supportive learning environment to become their best selves. Nurturing social and emotional well-being is foundational to success.

We need schools that promote independent thinkers, so our children can leave school with confidence and direction. It is of utmost importance to help children find and develop their strengths. It takes all kinds of people to build strong communities. Our schools must provide multiple avenues for children to learn and find success. Diverse learning opportunities empower *all* students.

Shaping schools for student success is an investment in our community. That investment requires us to participate and be authentic with one another. I am an action-oriented leader. Listening, considering all sides of an issue, and building consensus are my strengths. Working together, we can face NKSD’s challenges head-on. I ask for your support.

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Central Kitsap School District No. 401 – Director District 2 – 4-year term



Breezy Mitchell

Elected Experience: First-time candidate.

Other Professional Experience: Mother of three children who attend Hawk Elementary at Jackson Park, Central Kitsap Middle School, and Central Kitsap High School. Owner and operator of Mitchell Lumber Company. Former Registered Nurse at Harrison Medical Center ICU –

Critical Care Certified, charge nurse, and rapid response team.

Education: Associates in Nursing from Olympic College in Bremerton.

Community Service: Central Kitsap Montessori Parent's Association Board Member 2020 to present. Active volunteer in CKSD schools 2019 to present. Former volunteer in Bremerton School District 2013-2019. Kitsap Co. Dept. of Emergency Management - RN volunteer 2021-2022. Amigo de San Carlos, Honduran Medical Brigade 2017.

Statement: As a mother to three children in CKSD and in service to the school board, I will get to know the families and educators in our district and set a vision for the future. I am committed to safe schools, focused on strengthening academic achievement, and supporting clear communication between CKSD families and the school district. Every decision will be made in the best interests of our students and we will work together to set policies. I believe in open, honest, and respectful communication and giving a voice to all students, parents, and educators.

My experience running a business and working as a charge nurse in critical care has made me uniquely qualified to make difficult and complex decisions that impact many people. Listening, understanding, and respectful collaboration are my priorities. I believe in creative problem-solving and innovation. I have experience working with budgets in my business and my volunteer roles, and fiscal responsibility is very important to me.

Together, we can provide exceptional education opportunities to all CKSD students. I will bring my empathy, experience, and integrity to the school board. Thank you for considering me and if elected, I will be dedicated to representing you.

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Kristin Hay

Elected Experience: Current District 2 Board Director for Central Kitsap School District.

Other Professional Experience: Radiological Engineer Technician, Dept of the Navy .

Education: Bachelor of Science in Psychology, Washington State University.

Statement: A quality education is the foundation of a successful life, allowing today's students to become tomorrow's productive society members. As a mother of two in Kitsap County and current school board member, I am an advocate for quality education. Our teachers work tirelessly to ensure our kids receive an excellent education; they deserve our appreciation and support.

Working on the School Board can be stressful. I regularly work in stressful situations, where emotions run high, and results are needed immediately. In these situations, communication is critical to resolving conflicts and arriving at resolutions. I am an open-minded Board Director, willing to hear the viewpoints of all concerned parties and collaborate to reach mutually beneficial solutions.

Our community needs trustworthy Board Directors who are approachable, action-oriented, and reliable. I am here to listen to our community's concerns and respond with prompt action. My priorities are to work with our School District to improve communication with community members, provide our students with a curriculum which improves student achievement, and act with fiscal responsibility. Our focus must rest on our students and their education.

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Central Kitsap School District No. 401 – Director District 3 – 4-year term



Drayton Jackson

Elected Experience: Director 3, Central Kitsap School District

Other Professional Experience: Founder/Executive Director of Foundation for Homeless & Poverty Management. Kitsap Public Health Board Member; Urban Institute Community Advisory Board member; Federal Relations Network Chair & Legislative Committee

member for Washington State Association of School Board Directors, Vice-Chair of Governors' Poverty Reduction Workgroup & Steering Committee; Olympic College Student Body President.

Education: Currently pursuing Organizational Leadership Olympic College.

Community Service: Ascend Parent Advisor Group Member at Ascends at the Aspen institute; Community Finance Advisory Committee for Central Kitsap School District; Kitsap Sun Newspaper Editorial Board; Kitsap Pride Committee member; Kitsap Community Resources Board member & Vice Chair Policy Council.

Statement: As a parent and School Board Director in the Central Kitsap School District, I never anticipated the challenges coming my way when I was elected in 2019. It led to tough decisions to ensure the well-being and education of our students, teachers, staff, and administrators during a global pandemic.

Elected as the board president in 2022, I was tasked with leading the board toward unity, trust, and vital collaboration with the community. I remain focused on our shared goals and work towards building unity and trust within our community.

My decision to seek re-election is not about holding onto a seat. Instead, it is driven by my commitment to fight for democracy in public education and ensure our children receive the bright future they deserve. I will be steadfast in finishing out the goals outlined in our strategic plan; ensuring that all children see themselves in the school system by increasing teachers, staff, and administrators of color; working with lawmakers at the state and federal level to fully fund special education; and continue to build trust with our community and district.

Your vote and support is essential in this mission.

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Jim Grose

Professional Experience: 36 years working for the US Navy at Puget Sound Naval Shipyard (PSNS). Retiring Oct 2023 as Pipefitter and Insulator Shop Superintendent with 21 years of Trade and Project Management experience. Chairman of the Board of Directors; PSNS Apprenticeship Program. Member; National Association of Superintendents of US Naval

Shore Establishments. Member and Board of Directors; PSNS Assistant Production Superintendents Association. Member; Federal Managers Association.

Education: Olympic High School Graduate; PSNS Marine Pipefitter Apprentice Graduate; PSNS Executive Development Program

Community service: Leadership roles with Cub and Boy Scouts USA; Volunteer service with Girl Scouts USA; Volunteer service and chaperone with Brownsville Elementary

Statement: My wife Michelle and I are graduates of CK Schools as are our four children. I am and will always be a strong supporter of our schools and our community. As I prepare to retire from federal service, I would like to continue to serve this community. I believe that I can bring a common sense approach to the school board and will always have the best interests of the students and their parents in mind as I make decisions on the direction and policies of the school district.

I am concerned with the amount of political and social turmoil and pressures that are being placed on our students. My aim is to keep those pressures out of the classroom and off the campus. Our district and our supported teachers should always be teaching our youth how to think, not what to think.

We need to develop thought processes and skills, in our students, that will prepare them to enter the job market, develop as skilled tradespersons, support professional careers, and/or pursue further education.

I believe strongly that our youth, when provided the right tools and challenged in meaningful ways, are capable of greatness.

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Central Kitsap School District No. 401 – Director District 4 – 4-year term



Meghan Hein

Elected Experience: Current Central Kitsap School Board Director, District 4.

Other Professional Experience: Human Resources Professional, Haselwood YMCA Aquatics Director and Volunteer, Emerald Heights PTA Treasurer, Readers are Leaders Program.

Education: Washington State University, BA Political Science, BA Criminal Justice.

Community Service: I grew up in rural Camas, WA, raised by an engineer and a teacher who taught me to value family, hard work, and community service. My husband and I settled in Central Kitsap for family ties, natural beauty, and for our kids to attend quality schools. Our district's success matters to me personally. My three elementary age kids will attend CKSD for years to come.

Statement: I want our kids to know this community supports them. That's why I volunteer to read with students in our elementary schools every week. That's why I show up at every school event I can, from school plays and concerts, to sports events, to student presentations. And that's why, when a vacancy opened on the school board, I stepped up to serve our community.

I'm running to continue the work of improving our schools. Our community deserves well managed, fiscally responsible schools capable of preparing *every* student for future success. Improving academic results is my focus. Our students suffered learning loss during the pandemic. I'm dedicated to helping them recover.

As our board's legislative representative, I fought for our community in Olympia and D.C. to secure funding for our military families, special education, and transportation. I've listened to our community: Safety should be a top priority for our district. I actively engage with law enforcement to increase school security. My goal is a CKSD that inspires pride in our students, parents, dedicated staff, and community, and I'm just getting started.

It's an honor to serve as your School Board Director. I ask for your vote.

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Jason Gilham

Elected Experience: None

Other Professional Experience: Shop Supervisor at Trident Refit Facility 2010 to present; US Navy (Retired) Submarine Auxiliary Mechanic Chief Petty Officer 1988-2008

Education: Bachelor of Science in Engineering Technology (Civil Engineering) from Old Dominion

University 2020. Various leadership courses in both the Navy and my post Navy careers.

Community Service: I have been a Cub Scout (Webelos) leader and assisted with Boy Scouts and Scout Camps between 2005 and 2012. Various volunteer projects over the years including trail clean-ups, Scotch Broom Abatement, and helping people move.

Statement: Our Students and *their* needs come first. I have lived in Central Kitsap County for over 25 years. My wife and I have eight children and several grandchildren who attend or have attended Central Kitsap Schools. When I was looking for a house to make my home back in 2006, one of my top criteria was the Central Kitsap School area.

I am a levelheaded moderate who can usually see both sides of a disagreement, and help conflicting parties find common ground and work towards common goals. My wife, and others around me, have suggested that I have the right temperament for this kind of position.

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South Kitsap School District No. 402 – Director District 1 – 4-year term



John Sehmel

Biography: My name is John Sehmel and I have been a part of this community my entire life. After graduating from South Kitsap High School in 2000, I attended EWU for two and a half years, then transferred to CWU where I graduated with a bachelor's degree in business administration, and a minor in marketing. I have since been blessed in my undertaking

of several local business ventures, including co-founding DS Sales Associates; and co-ownership of Kitsap Sports, and Crumbl Cookies in Silverdale and Gig Harbor. My wife of 13 years and I have been blessed with three beautiful children.

Statement: As a father, taxpayer, and community member, I am very concerned about the current state of our public school system. As a school board member, I will fight to restore parental rights in students' education. It is absolutely unacceptable for teachers or other school personnel to keep secrets from parents, and there must be full disclosure and transparency about all curriculum being taught. Also of great concern is student safety, not only physical, but social and emotional as well. Policy 3211 is unacceptable, and one of the first things I will labor toward on the school board is ending this policy. Additionally, school is no place for sexually graphic and explicit materials of any kind, as exposing children to such materials in any setting is a moral and legal violation, and must be stopped.

In addition to these areas of concern, I will also labor to create a strategic plan to better use the resources allocated to the school system for the primary purpose of competently educating students. I believe an asset assessment and thorough budget review are needed to determine where funds can be accessed internally before asking taxpayers for more money.

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Kate Espy

Elected Experience: Appointed to the South Kitsap School Board December 2021

Other Professional Experience: I am a Registered Nurse with over 40 years of experience. I have worked as an Emergency Department and Forensic nurse. I also worked part time at EPO Elementary with medically fragile students from 2008 to 2015.

Education: Bachelor of Nursing, University of Nebraska Medical Center; Hundreds of hours of job-related training to stay current!

Community Service: Past President/current member Soroptimist of Port Orchard; Past president of Girls on the Run of the WestSound BOD/current volunteer; Board President, Kitsap Support Advocacy and Counseling Agency; PTSO President (3 terms) at South Colby Elementary/school volunteer

Statement: I have been honored to serve as District #1 School Board Director, the legislative representative for the last two years and representing the amazing SK students, staff, their parents, and the SK community. The students of South Kitsap should have the best education that can be offered. Their parents and the community should be able to expect honesty and transparency from the board and the district.

I have worked with many patients who have experienced trauma, so I have learned how to listen with an open mind. I believe it's very important to genuinely listen and to not form an opinion or disagree before I have heard everything. This includes listening to students, parents, district staff, and the community. The Board's responsibility is to do the best for our students. This means we work together and collectively make decisions. I will always accept the majority decision. Working together in meaningful ways is important. I can assist in making this happen.

If elected I will maintain open and honest communication with everyone. My focus will be on the students of South Kitsap and what is truly best for them and their future. Thank you!

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South Kitsap School District No. 402 – Director District 2 – 4-year term



Megan Higgins

Biography: Megan graduated from Ephrata High School in Ephrata, WA and was a recipient of the Washington Scholars Scholarship. She then attended and graduated from the University of Washington with a Bachelor of Science. Her work experience includes working for Seattle Children's Research Department, and tutoring math classes at Marcus Whitman Middle

School. Megan is married and has three young children who attend elementary school and preschool in Port Orchard.

Statement: I am an avid supporter of public education. I believe every child has the right to a great education in a safe and supported environment. Teachers should be supported in their jobs. I believe administrators play a vital role in ensuring consistency and accountability so that teachers and students can thrive in our school system.

I believe in this community. I have talked with community members and they want to see their kids and their grandkids succeed. We need to do better for our kids and upgrade our schools and replace those that are beyond repair. There hasn't been a new building in the district in over 30 years.

To accomplish this we need a school board that is capable of reasonable discussion, and creative thinking. My education and training has made me a calm, critical, and creative thinker.

I will bring a perspective that is not currently on the school board — that of a parent of young children. I am deeply invested in supporting our children and grandchildren, neighbors and friends. I believe as we support one another, we will find the best solutions to keep our kids and community thriving.

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Jaime Cross

Professional Experience: I have owned Cross Masonry for a total of 23 years which has provided me with experience in budget management, communication, teamwork and managing day to day operational needs.

Education: I've lived in South Kitsap, where I was born and raised, for 55 years. I graduated

from SK Highschool and completed the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard Apprenticeship Program.

Community Service: As owner of Cross Masonry, I have the privilege of sponsoring local little league teams. For 3 years I've had regular attendance at the SKSD Board Meetings, joined the SKSD Bond Steering Committee, and was a member of SK Informed Parents of Washington.

Statement: I'm a 55-year resident of Port Orchard and devoted father of six. Three of my children are South Kitsap School District (SKSD) graduates, and three are currently enrolled. As a parent, I am concerned about the many challenges that students, teachers, and parents in SKSD are facing. I have lost faith in our system as teachers have been asked to wear too many hats, and students are suffering in their educational needs. Budget problems, curriculum changes, conflicting ideals, excessive government overreach, lack of transparency, staffing shortages, disregard for parental rights, and a failure to meet the educational needs of all students are just a few of the challenges I have seen.

I'm not afraid to take a stand on tough issues. For three years I have been talking to concerned parents, attending School Board meetings regularly, and volunteering on the Bond Steering Committee in an effort to address those challenges. I believe we must do better for our children and their future, as their future is the future of our community.

I will bring balance to the board to ensure sure all voices are heard, and all children's educational needs are being met!

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South Kitsap School District No. 402 – Director District 5 – 4-year term



Jay Villars

Professional Experience:

Dedicated school leader with 38 years of experience in public education. Twenty years in the South Kitsap School District: Deputy Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent and Junior High Principal. Educator positions include: Classroom teacher, Special Education Teacher, Activities Director, Theater Arts Director,

Department Chair and Assistant Principal. Currently, I am a coach/facilitator for high school accreditations.

Education: MA Educational Administration, BA History/Poli Sci

Community Service: Past President of Port Orchard Rotary, Kiwanis Member, SK FFA Buyers committee. Boys Scouts of America Committee Chair

Statement: Students are the most important asset in our community. Their success is a reflection of our success. They deserve the best opportunities and resources available. I have been a student centered educator my whole career. My extensive background in public education, serving in four school districts and two states as a building and district administrator gives me great insight as to how a school district works. I am a collaborative leader who problem solves with common sense and good judgment. Working together with others to find solutions that empower viewpoints that lead to student success is my focus. I will use my skills and experience to effectively govern as a member of the South Kitsap School Board. Being a taxpayer in South Kitsap for 30 years, I understand the responsibility involved in overseeing taxpayer resources and that fiscal responsibility, as well as, financial efficiency is critical.

If elected to the South Kitsap School Board I will work collaboratively to provide the best opportunities and resources for our students. Together, we will make South Kitsap a place where students have a world class education that will afford them the best options for their future.

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Rhonda Edwards

Biography: I love Port Orchard! I am happy to be a 3rd generation resident and SK Graduate. I was raised on a farm in Blackjack Valley and later, my husband, Steve and I raised our 3 children on a farm in Burley. Our 9 grandchildren enjoy visiting all the animals here. I have an extensive background in serving the public through real estate and developing successful businesses

for the past 33 years. I have used my experiences and knowledge to help others succeed in launching new careers through mentorship, training classes and coaching.

Statement: Our students continue suffering from the school closures. SK School District is facing severe budget shortfalls. In my business we certainly faced tough economic times but through meticulous planning, we kept the doors open. I am ready and willing to work towards a balanced budget with allocation of funds to the depleted reserve account. I will be your voice of reason for fiscal responsibility.

Students *first*. Always. Our tax dollars must be used to ensure student academic gains. Current test scores are disappointing and unacceptable. Test scores reflect the “return on investment” - we must look at the curriculum and policies to determine which one’s are successful and eliminate those that aren’t.

The number of students registered in our school district has dropped by 1,000 which cost the district approximately \$17million. Why? I suggest implementing Exit Surveys to determine the answer and make changes to bring those students back and retain the population we have. I encourage parental involvement and an open-door policy.

As of 5/26/2023, the Board is proposing a 20 year Bond for \$271 million. With interest, the final cost to taxpayers is approximately \$460 million. This Bond doesn’t include a 2nd High School. My Website will have updates.

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North Mason School District No. 403 – Director Districts 1, 3, 4

Information about candidates for North Mason School District seats can be found in the local voters’ pamphlet published by Mason County. Check masoncountywaelections.gov to get your copy.



Elections 2024



Special Elections (possible) - February 13 and April 23

Local districts (cities, schools, fire districts, etc.) can place a funding measure on the ballot on these dates, as well as at the Primary and General Election.



Presidential Primary - March 12

Every four years Washington voters are able to participate in the presidential nomination process by telling a party which candidate they prefer as the party's nominee. Because this is a party process, **you must declare which party you prefer for your vote to count.**

This is unusual in Washington. Voters in every other election are allowed to vote for whichever candidate they choose. The Presidential Primary here has been the exception since 1989.

The Washington Presidential Primary is essentially two elections: one for the Democratic Party and one for the Republican Party. You decide in which election you will participate.



Primary - August 6

Candidates for Congress, State Legislature, County positions and Judges appear on the ballot. In each race the top-two vote getters move on to the General Election. Local Districts may put funding measures on the ballot as well.



General Election - November 5

Americans choose a president. Washingtonians make their final selections for Congress, the State Legislature, County positions and judges. Once again, local districts may put funding measures on the ballot.



Bainbridge Island Fire Department – Commissioner Position 2 – Unexpired 2-year term



Bruce G. Alward

Elected Experience: Appointed - Board of Commissioners Bainbridge Island Fire Dept. (2015 – 2017); Elected Board of Commissioners Bainbridge Island Fire Dept. (2017 - 2018)

Professional Experience: Construction and Manufacturing (1969 -1983); Secretary/Treasurer Board of Directors Electric League

Pac-NW (1995 – 2010); Registered Professional Engineer WA and 23 other states (1986 to Present); Consulting Engineering (1985 - 2019); VP - Board of Directors Wood Harbinger Inc. (2000 – 2019); Sr. Engineer & PM US Navy NAVFAC NW (2019 – Present)

Education: BSEE Michigan Technological University, 1985

Statement: My 50 year career in Fire/Life Safety has focused on engineering solutions conforming to Fire Codes coast to coast. My experience includes lessons learned from my father's public safety leadership. He was Fire Chief and founder of my home town Fire Board and

Department. These experiences lead me to become a Fire Commissioner for Bainbridge Island (BIFD).

While I served on the BIFD Board of Commissioners from 2015 to mid-2018, I had the privilege of representing the Board in overseeing the design and construction that replaced stations 21 & 22 and expanded station 23. My focus was value engineering to protect the budget. I worked with the Architects and Contractors to develop cost effective design and alternates that fully protected the Bond Issue. This effort assured these projects finished on budget and on time. The result was three up-to-date and efficient facilities this community can be proud of for decades to come.

I felt much appreciated while on the board and feel I have the energy, background, breeding, and fire safety engineering experience to serve the BIFD board position presently available. I will be honored to be re-elected to the Board and once again serve the Bainbridge Island Community.

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Bainbridge Island Fire Department – Commissioner Position 3 – 6-year term



Andrea Chymiy

Elected Experience: Bainbridge Island Fire Commission - Position 3 (current)

Other Professional Experience: Family medicine physician; Co-founder Pacifica Medicine & Wellness

Education: BS (Molecular Biology) from Vanderbilt University; MD (Medicine) and MPH (Epidemiology) from Tulane University

Community Service: Co-founder of Bainbridge Island Medical Reserve Corps; Team lead for Bainbridge Prepares; Covid-19 test site and vaccine site volunteer, Bainbridge Island and other sites in Kitsap county; Impact Northwest USAR team physician; Peacock Family Center board of directors; Suquamish Early Learning center health advisory board

Statement: As a family physician and resident of Bainbridge Island I have been proud to serve on the BIFD board of commissioners the past 2 years. Since my family moved to Bainbridge in 2003 we have witnessed significant growth and change on the island - more people, more homes, more businesses, and climate change.

BIFD has grown with Bainbridge and now has 3 fully staffed fire stations, highly trained full-time firefighter/ EMTs and paramedics, and leadership with a vision for the future of the island's fire and EMS needs. As a fire commissioner I take very seriously the oversight of hiring and expenditures to support the personnel, equipment and facilities needs of the department. BIFD continues to grow and expand its capabilities as Bainbridge grows, with initiatives to decrease community wildfire risk, plans to improve its carbon footprint, and an ongoing focus on improving the safety of all Bainbridge residents. I look forward to continuing to serve the residents of Bainbridge Island by working to ensure that we all benefit from the highest level of fire and EMS services.

I am honored to be endorsed by Hank Teran, retired BIFD chief, and the National Women's Political Caucus of Washington.

For more information:

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Central Kitsap Fire and Rescue – Commissioner Position 3 – Short and full 6-year term



Rod Elmore

Elected Experience: Central Kitsap Fire & Rescue Fire Commissioner April 2022.

Education: B.S. (Healthcare Management) Touro University. M.A.Ed. (Educational Leadership and Administration) Trident University.

Statement: Rod Elmore retired from the U.S. Military after 22 years of honorable service and has called Kitsap County home since 2009.

Working with CKFR has been a humbling and rewarding experience. Our firefighters underscore the term “dedication to duty.” It is a privilege to champion an organization built on Integrity, Loyalty, Duty, and Respect. I am excited to see the progress of our new fire stations in the building process. We are proud to provide adequate safety and fire protection for our community. I look forward to continuing to serve our community. Rod Elmore is a professional voice-over artist and a cooking enthusiast on YouTube. He is happily married with 9 wonderful children and enjoys supporting his kids in their interests/activities. He and his wife are avid hiking, backpacking, and other outdoor activities.

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Community Service: Commissioner Elmore is a Track & Field Coach, Substitute teacher, and Former Robotics coach in the Central Kitsap School District. Cast in the Robin Hood production at Enoch City Arts Theater, Bremerton, WA. Youth Academy Residential Specialist at the Washington Youth Academy, where he had the privilege of working with an amazing team. He was instrumental in providing at-risk youth with quality education and positive values, along with life and job skills training.

Central Kitsap Fire and Rescue – Commissioner Position 5 – 6-year term



Bob Muhleman

Elected Experience: I have had the honor and privilege of serving as your elected fire commissioner for the past 25 years and I have worked responsibly to manage your taxpayer dollars

Other Professional Experience: I am a USAF (Viet Nam) veteran and a retired Federal Civil Servant with 40+ years of service (30+ years in management)

Statement: My top priority as a Fire Commissioner is to continue representing you, the citizens of Central Kitsap Fire and Rescue (CKFR), to the best of my ability. CKFR is currently a high functioning, highly trained, diverse, well equipped, well prepared, and compassionate team of outstanding staff, officers, firefighter/EMT’s and paramedics ready to respond to any emergency at a moment’s notice. I will continue to strive to provide you with the highest quality emergency services within the fire district’s budget. And, I will continue working hard to find and implement continuous improvements and efficiencies to provide you with the best emergency services possible.

If re-elected, I will continue to be the best steward of your tax dollars and I will ensure that they are managed and spent wisely for the protection of life and property. I will work diligently to maintain the delicate balance between services, personnel, apparatus/equipment, and facilities infrastructure.

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Education: Central Kitsap High School, Olympic Collage (ATA), PSNS Electronics Apprenticeship, plus extensive supervisory and managerial training classes

Community Service: I have been active in Kitsap County’s fire service for more than 45 years serving as a Volunteer Firefighter, Volunteer Emergency Medical Technician, Volunteer Assistant Fire Chief, and an elected Fire Commissioner

Kitsap County Fire Protection District No. 18 – Commissioner Position 3 – 6-year term

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Jeff Uberuaga

Elected Experience: Jeffrey M. Uberuaga has been the co-owner and operator of the Red Apple Stores in both Poulsbo and Bremerton since 2010. Prior to that, Mr. Uberuaga worked at local car dealership since 1989, which he helped establish, building it into a company with more than 60 employees and selling his interest in 2010. Mr. Uberuaga grew up

in North Kitsap and graduated from North Kitsap High School and has lived and worked in Poulsbo during his entire career. Mr. Uberuaga is the fire commissioner for Poulsbo fire department, Kitsap County Fire District #18.

Statement: Mr. Uberuaga is the fire commissioner for Poulsbo fire department, Kitsap County Fire District #18, and running for a second term. He is a member of the Northwest Grocery Association, the Poulsbo Historical Society, and is very active in community projects.

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Kitsap County Fire Protection District No. 18 – Commissioner Position 4 – 6-year term



David Ellingson

Elected Experience: Commissioner, Kitsap County Fire District #18, 2000-present.

Other Professional Experience: 50+ years of diversified engineering, management, leadership, and supervisory experience. Former Chief Engineer/Technical Department Head, Strategic Weapons Facility Pacific (Navy Trident missile assembly facility);

Former Professor, Graduate and Undergraduate Business and Management, University of Phoenix; Chair, Kitsap 911 Board of Directors; Vice Chair, Kitsap 911 Executive Committee; Former Chair, Kitsap Fire District #18 Board; President, Kitsap County Fire Commissioners Association; Member Washington State Firefighter Technical Review Committee; Chair, Washington State Fire Service Leadership Forum. Former President Washington Fire Commissioners Association.

Education: Bachelor of Science Degree, Mechanical Engineering; Master of Science Degree, Systems Management.

Statement: With your vote, I will continue to strive for excellence in all areas of the Poulsbo Fire Department mission (i.e., fire prevention, fire suppression, emergency medical services, etc.) and will continue to promote partnerships with neighboring districts for operational safety, efficiency, and mutual benefit.

I will leverage my extensive professional experience to promote sound financial management of resources entrusted to us by our fellow citizens and ensure that our fire district will meet the needs of today and prepare effectively for future growth including construction and staffing of a new fire station on Viking Way in Poulsbo.

As a member of the Kitsap 911 Board of Directors, I will oversee the acquisition and deployment of a state-of-the-art Land Mobile Radio system for all police and fire units in Kitsap County. Our current obsolete radio system has numerous communication dead zones throughout the county that place police and firefighters at risk.

Specific objectives: Proactively address projected revenue needs; ensure a balanced, integrated approach for allocation of resources to personnel, equipment, and facilities; prioritize repairs to maintain equipment reliability; and promote fair and equitable treatment of all fire district employees.

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North Kitsap Fire & Rescue – Commissioner Position 3 – 6-year term

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Statement: No statement submitted.

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North Kitsap Fire & Rescue – Commissioner Position 5 – 6-year term



John Huntington

Elected Experience: Fire commissioner NKFR

Other Professional Experience: I am a retired Senior Investigator with the Washington Attorney General's office in the Council for Environmental Protection Unit. Prior to that, I was a Washington State Patrol Detective Sergeant working for the citizens of Washington state

and retiring after thirty-one years. I am also a veteran, with over a combined 30 years, serving in the US Marine Corps, USMCR and Coast Guard Reserves.

Education: Masters of Arts in Organizational Leadership, Brandman University; Bachelors of Science in Workforce Education and Development, Southern Illinois University; Associates of Arts and Science in Criminal Justice, Shoreline Community College.

Community Service: Greater Kingston Kiwanis.

Statement: I ask that you allow me the opportunity to use my over thirty-five years of experience working for the citizens of Washington state, to continue being your representative to the North Kitsap Fire and Rescue. Having worked with our men and women of North Kitsap Fire and Rescue as a Trooper and Detective Sergeant, I know how important their work is in times of crisis. I am also personally thankful for their services as a heart attack survivor. If elected to continue as Commissioner, I will help my community by working to support our great people of North Kitsap Fire and Rescue. I respectfully ask for your vote. Thank You.

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North Mason Regional Fire Authority – Commissioner Position 2, 3

Information about candidates for North Mason Regional Fire Authority seats can be found in the local voters' pamphlet published by Mason County. Check masoncountywaelections.gov to get your copy.

South Kitsap Fire and Rescue – Commissioner Position 3 – 6-year term



Mike Eslava

Elected Experience: South Kitsap Fire Commissioner, Position #3 – 2013 through current; Past Precinct Committee Officer 1990s.

Other Professional Experience: I have been associated with South Kitsap Fire and Rescue for over 50 years. I was a volunteer firefighter, career firefighter/EMT and Paramedic, retired in 2012.

Education: South Kitsap High School; Olympic College – Fire Command Administration; Tacoma Community College – Paramedic Program

Community Service: Olalla PTA President; South Kitsap Southern Little League Grill Cook; Annual Olalla Easter Breakfast; One of the original founders of “Help Firefighters Give Burns the Boot For Burn Injured Children.”

Statement: I have faithfully served our community for the past 50 plus years. I feel privileged to serve and to help influence positive change to meet our community’s needs. I am committed to being a public servant - confident and compassionate, striving to better our community. I plan to continue to drive forward our goals to help save lives and protect property. I am inspired and motivated by my peers on the Board of Commissioners for South Kitsap Fire and Rescue, and the tireless firefighters and amazing support staff. I would like to like to thank you for your support in the past and look forward to another term as your Fire Commissioner for South Kitsap Fire and Rescue.

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Robert P. McGee

Professional Experience: President/Owner Fox Fire Prevention, Inc (2005 - Present); Co-Owner Whiskey Gulch CoffeePub (2012 - Present); Local Union 699 Journeyman Fire Sprinkler Fitter/Superintendent (1992 - Present); NICET Level II Inspection Testing Maintenance; NFPA Member (2005 - Present)

Education: South Kitsap High School (Honor Student Graduate 1991); Central Washington University (1992); South Seattle Community College (Graduate Top of Class 1997) (Apprenticeship Local Union 699 Fire Sprinkler Fitters)

Community Service: South Kitsap School Supporters Organization (2016); South Kitsap Chamber of Commerce Board Member (2018 - Present); City of Port Orchard Board of Appeals (2016-2019); Foreign Exchange Student Host; SK Pee Wee Basketball Coach; SK Youth Soccer Coach

Statement: My wife, Kristi, and I were raised in South Kitsap and graduated from South Kitsap High School as honor students as well as our sons, Colin and Dash.

South Kitsap is undergoing a remarkable amount of growth, escalating the needs and response of our fire district more than ever with annually increasing call volumes and community needs evolving. It’s important to adequately provide South Kitsap with skilled fire fighters, EMTs, and support personnel as well as the equipment and facilities needed to successfully serve the public while working to discover creative financial options and operational solutions that balance the needs with thoughtful regard to our community.

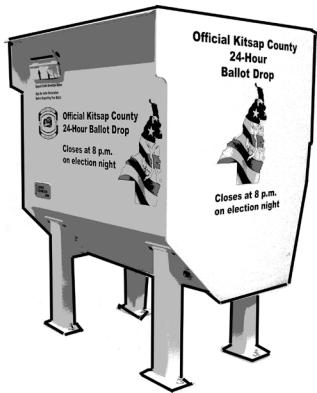
As a South Kitsap business owner, current union member, and local taxpayer, I’ll provide a fresh and unique perspective to the commission. Working and managing for decades in the private sector of the fire industry with owners, contractors, and the authorities having jurisdiction, I will bring valuable skillsets to the commission seat earned from my experience in business and management.

It would be my honor to serve South Kitsap and help solidify SKFR’s tradition of excellence and community support well into the future. Privileged to be endorsed by retired SKFR Fire Marshal Brad Wiggins.

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You can return your ballot in person at the Auditor's Office (619 Division Street, Port Orchard, WA 98366) through 8 p.m. on Election Day and at one of our three vote centers, open 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Saturday and Monday before Election Day and 7 a.m. - 8 p.m. on Election Day. The vote centers are at:

- Kitsap County Administration Building
619 Division Street, Port Orchard, WA 98366
- Marvin Williams Recreation Center
725 Park Avenue, Bremerton, WA 98337
- Poulsbo Fire Station
911 NE Liberty Road, Poulsbo, WA 98370

Port of Bremerton District No. 1 – Commissioner District 3 – 6-year term



Axel Strakeljahn

Biography – Elected Experience: President, Port of Bremerton Commission, 2011-present

Axel has proudly called Kitsap home for over four decades and resides in Seabeck. He holds a degree in business administration and built a career in retail marketing for national and regional businesses. As President of the

Port of Bremerton Commission, he has a proven record of providing leadership and responsible oversight of taxpayer dollars while creating jobs that support local families.

Axel regularly volunteers his time with Boys & Girls Club, Olympic College Foundation, Central Kitsap Food Bank, and CSTACK. He is the recipient of a Red Cross Hero Award.

Statement: I bring proven leadership to the Port of Bremerton as a two-term Commissioner and experienced business director, managing hundreds of employees and multi-million-dollar budgets. I have worked tirelessly to contribute to the local/regional community, including

founding the Gorst Coalition to secure \$74M to fix the traffic bottleneck; tripling the number of jobs at Port of Bremerton's Industrial Center; and bringing Airlift Northwest's life-saving operations to Bremerton National Airport. I currently serve as President of the Puget Sound Economic Development District, expanding Kitsap County's reach across multiple counties and magnifying our impact at the state level.

I have also worked to balance fiscal responsibility with environmental sustainability, including relighting the Bremerton airstrip with energy-efficient LED lighting and ensuring environmentally-safe removal of derelict boats from local waterways.

We've made much progress in building our economy and jobs in recent years, but we have even greater challenges today. Please vote *Axel Strakeljahn* for a solid foundation for Port of Bremerton's future.

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Port of Brownsville District No. 2 – Commissioner District 1 – Short and full 6-year term



Kenneth McEwan

Elected Experience: Appointed to fill the remaining term of the vacant District 1 position for the Port of Brownsville Port Commissioner, May 2022-present. I have served on three port comprehensive planning committees. As a member of this community for 32 years and in my current position as a port commissioner, I have consistently advocated for improving port finances and operations.

Education: Pepperdine University Strauss Institute Washington DC. Certificate in Dispute Resolution, 2014; Seattle University Law School Juris Doctor (Law Degree) 1979; Seattle University BA Political Science, 1974.

Other Professional Experience: Trial attorney, 1979-Present.

Statement: I am seeking your vote for the full term of port commissioner because I want to continue working on behalf of the residents of the district to ensure the marina and its amenities offer affordable access to family activities and recreation.

My family and I have been part of the port community since 1991. We have been moorage customers and used the boat launch ramp for access to boating, crabbing and waterskiing. We have used the port facilities for family parties, enjoyed community gatherings, visiting tall ships, classic car events and live music. The port makes this area truly special and I want this vibrant community asset to be preserved.

The future of the port depends upon fiscal responsibility and finding new sources of revenue so the port is not dependent solely upon moorage customers and the port district taxpayers to pay the bills.

As your port commissioner, I will continue my efforts to build upon the 103-year history of the port by working to preserve accessible community recreation and to develop economic opportunities.

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Port of Eglon District No. 4 – Commissioner District 2 – 6-year term



David Roberts

Elected Experience: I have served as Eglon Port Commissioner since 2008.

Other Professional Experience: Attorney at the Kingston law firm of Roberts & Bryan, PLLC

Education: A.B. Brown University, J.D. Temple University

Community Service: Volunteer attorney for Kitsap Legal Service's Housing Justice Project; pro bono legal service for several nonprofit organizations, past board member of several nonprofit organizations.

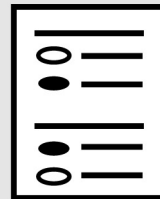
Statement: I have served as the District 2 Commissioner of the Port of Eglon since September 2008, which is an unpaid position. I would be happy to continue serving as commissioner. I love Eglon and the beach the way they are. I have no inclination to make any major changes to the character of our public space. The commissioners' main job is to maintain the port as a clean, welcoming place. I believe the other two commissioners and I have worked well together to these ends.

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Port of Illahee District No. 6 – Commissioner Position 1 – Short and full 6-year term



Jeffrey Rupert

Elected Experience: I have had the honor to serve as an Illahee Port commissioner since the fall of 2022.

Statement: I really didn't know what I was getting into when I applied for the vacant spot of Illahee Port Commissioner last year. I was simply wanting to give back to the community that I love and the

position as dock manager certainly has filled that need. With your support, I'm hoping to represent my neighbors for the next 6 years to make the tough decisions and have the hard talks that a Commissioner has to do. Please visit the Illahee website to see the things that are coming to fruition in the near future!

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Port of Illahee District No. 6 – Commissioner Position 2 – Unexpired 4-year term



Eric Hall

Elected Experience: None

Other Professional Experience: Staff Sergeant, U.S. Air Force, 2006-2011 Active Duty; Maintenance Engineer, Amazon Prime Air, 2017-2021; Senior Programmer Analyst, City University of Seattle, 2021-present; Deployed to Al-Udeid and Bagram AB, 2009, earned Air Force Commendation Medal for meritorious service

Education: Associate of Science in Electronic Systems Technology, Community College of the Air Force, 2010; pursuing Bachelor of Science in Applied Computer Science at City University of Seattle

Community Service: Habitat for Humanity, Keesler AFB, 2006-2007; Meals on Wheels, Goldsboro NC, 2009-2010; various squadron level volunteer opportunities

Statement: I am honored to announce my candidacy for Port Commissioner and eager to share my vision for our community. If elected, I will prioritize three key areas: improving the Port's website, revitalizing the Illahee Dock, and refurbishing the Illahee Food Store.

In this digital age, a modern and user-friendly website is essential for effective communication and engagement. I will use my programming knowledge to ensure that important information is readily available to residents, businesses, and visitors.

The Illahee Dock is a crucial asset for our community. I will tirelessly work to secure funding for its repairs, maintenance, and expansion. A well-maintained and modernized dock will attract visitors, boosting tourism and fostering economic vitality in our region.

Finally, the Illahee Food Store holds immense potential. A revitalized space will serve as a hub for community gatherings, fostering connections, and providing a venue for celebrations, meetings, and cultural events while providing a valuable resource that enhances the quality of life for all residents. I am passionate about serving as your Port Commissioner and dedicated to the betterment of our community. With your support, we can create a brighter future for Illahee.

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Port of Indianola District No. 7 – Commissioner District 1 – 6-year term

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Jeff Henderson

Statement: No statement submitted.

For more information: No contact information submitted

Port of Kingston District No. 9 – Commissioner District 3 – 6-year term



Laura Gronnvoll

Elected Experience: Kingston Port Commissioner 2018-2023

Other Professional Experience: Paralegal/Legal Assistant at Roberts & Bryan, PLLC; Owner & Operator, LEG Work Landscaping; Office Manager for McClure Consulting

Community Service: Greater Kingston Kiwanis, Kingston Middle

School Speed Mentoring, Hosting Japanese Exchange Students, Sizemore Memorial Golf Tournament, Sizemore Memorial Baseball Tournament, Basketball Coach, North Kitsap Little League (Umpire 12 years, Coach 4 years), Babe Ruth World Series, Habitat for Humanity, Wolfle Elementary School, Vinland Elementary School, Breidablik Elementary School, Kingston Middle School, KMS Band Boosters, Passport Club Chair at Richard Gordon Elementary School, Kingston Farmers Market Board.

Statement: My family has been a part of the Port District for 45+ years. Our main income is from Marine Services, and my son owns a Marine Services business in Kingston. I think our Port is welcoming and gorgeous. As an unincorporated urban growth area and a designated transportation hub, Kingston will see growth and development. What do we want that to look like?

The Port of Kingston desires to invest in our community to create an environment that not only attracts and retains businesses but enables them to thrive.

Ports are uniquely suited to assisting with many aspects of our community. We have partnered with Kitsap Transit to provide a fast ferry transit center hub to downtown Seattle. We have reached out and partnered via an Inter Local Agreement with Washington State Department of Transportation, Washington State Ferries, Kitsap Transit and Kitsap County to provide and Active Traffic Management System to hold ferry traffic outside of Kingston. This first part of the project is funded and currently projected to happen in 2024. We have and will continue to partner with local and state agencies to help our community.

“We cannot direct the wind, but we can direct the sails” DP

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Port of Manchester District No. 10 – Commissioner Position 1 – 4-year term



James E Strode

Elected Experience: President, Manchester Port District Commissioner, 1986-Present; Commissioner, Manchester Water District 11, 1996-2019; 2021-Present

Other Professional Experience: Over 50 years' experience in the construction industry; Small business owner since 1989

Education: South Kitsap High School Graduate, 1968

Community Service: Saints Car Club Member; Friends of the Manchester Library Expansion Project Consultant; South Kitsap Fire & Rescue Task Force Member

Statement: Jim Strode grew up in Manchester and along with wife Tina, still lives in a home overlooking the community where he roamed as a boy. As a small business owner and community volunteer, Jim has carried on the legacy of his family working to make Manchester a better place for us all.

As a life-long Manchester resident and Port Commissioner since 1985, Jim has been instrumental in transforming the Port's boat launch and Pomeroy Park facilities into one of Manchester's finest public assets. These goals were accomplished through strategic financial planning and partnerships with other agencies to maximize return for the community. Jim's vision for the future includes continued improvements at the park and boat launch, as well as exploring new ventures to spur economic growth throughout Manchester. Please support Jim with your vote in November and let's stay the course for a better Manchester. Thank you for your vote.

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Alexis Pappas

Professional Experience: Human Resources Professional, Real Estate Broker, and South Kitsap School District Substitute Teacher.

Education: Master of Science in Leadership and Management - Western Governors University, Bachelor of Business Administration with a concentration in HR and Management - Pacific Lutheran University, Olympic College, South Kitsap High School.

Community Service: South Kitsap School District Volunteer.

Statement: As a Manchester local, the importance of community, safety, and education lead to my pursuits with the Manchester Port Commission. I appreciate the serenity and beauty of Pomeroy Park every day. Preserving the Port of Manchester is essential. I know the Manchester Port Commission can take preemptive safety action for residents. The Port Commission should install security cameras and an emergency call button to ensure public safety. My top priority is our community's well-being. I bring new knowledge and fresh ideas to the Manchester Port Commission. I will do more for the Port of Manchester and its residents. I aim to bring the community closer and have fun educational events. I take pride in being a part of the Manchester community. I would be honored to serve, and I ask for your vote.

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Port of Poulsbo District No. 12 – Commissioner Position 3 – 6-year term



Jay Lawrence

Elected Experience: Hi my name is Jason Lawrence. I have lived in the Pacific Northwest 17 years and in Poulsbo for 7. I'm proud to be a homeowner, business owner, and a moorage lessee in Port of Poulsbo district. My knowledge and experiences are; general contractor from large to small in the construction industry; owned a small trucking company in the

transportation industry; a logging business working with Department of Natural Resources on a fire suppression pilot program helping to maintain a healthy forest. These experiences have educated me with leadership roles, safety, and proper expansion.

Statement: I am running for port commissioner because I feel with my experiences learned, I can bring a different perspective into the port's current operating standards; making sure we keep the basics of operations and future growth. I feel this has disappeared. Everything does expand and grow, but if we currently cannot take care of what we have, growth will end up being a backward step. Poulsbo is a destination point for boaters, the port and it's personnel are the first interactions for the visiting boaters. Port of Poulsbo states in the web site that it operates a first-class destination Marina. I feel we're a little short of this statement, from the guest mortgage to the permanent moorage docks. The budget is always a tricky situation; everyone wants but is there enough. Let's get our basics back on track, and all work together to make *our* port the way it truly can and should be. We are Poulsbo!!

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Port of Silverdale District No. 14 – Commissioner District 2 – 6-year term



Rick Slate

Professional Experience: I have been a real estate broker for 33+ years and co-owner of a local business in old town Silverdale for the past 10 years.

Community Service: Past Board Member of Boys and Girls Club Mason & Kitsap Counties; Past Whaling Days Board Member; Past Board Member of Central Kitsap Food Bank

Statement: As a lifelong resident of Kitsap County and Silverdale resident for the past 50 years, I have a deep interest in seeing our community evolve and grow. I have been a dedicated board member and supporter of Central Kitsap Food Bank for the past 12 years. During that time we have made immense progress in the quality of our facilities, as well as numbers of those we provide meals and support to. I would love to broaden my outreach of service to the Port of Silverdale as a commissioner, with thoughtful attention and collaboration to ensure that Silverdale grows into everything it's meant to become.

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Douglas Kitchens

Statement: No statement submitted.

For more information: No contact information submitted

Port of Tracyton District No. 15 – Commissioner District 1 – Short and full 6-year term



Bill Wright

Elected Experience: Current District 1 Commissioner

Education: Bachelor's of Science in Financial Services

Community Service: Volunteer as President of Tracyton Cemetery Association. Working with local businesses, volunteers, and Troop 1539 to maintain this historic site.

Statement: Working to provide a safe and vibrant community.

Along with fellow commissioners, have commissioned a "Welcome to Tracyton" banner project; installed a speed along May Street; hired an engineer and held a community forum to begin waterfront improvement planning; and working to identify problem areas and improve water quality.

We remain fiscally responsible and keep tax rates at one of the lowest in Washington State.

Will continue to listen to neighbors and work to improve our community.

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Port of Waterman District No. 16 – Commissioner District 1 – 6-year term



Jeff Reynolds

Elected Experience: Port of Waterman Commissioner, 2018-Present

Other Professional Experience: Senior Vice President/Commercial Banker (Bank of America, Kitsap Bank), 1980 -2018

Education: Western Washington University, BA in Business Administration; American Institute

of Banking, General Banking and Commercial Lending Degrees.

Community Service: Past President of the Bremerton Chamber of Commerce, Past President and Current Board Member of the Bremerton Central Lions Club, Treasurer for the Bremerton Central Lions Charitable Foundation, Finance Chairman of the Advisory Board for the Bremerton Salvation Army, Finance Deacon for Harper Church.

Statement: I was appointed as a Commissioner of the Port of Waterman in July 2018. The Port has made significant improvements to our processes and systems since then. We have developed monthly financial statements so we can monitor our progress on a regular basis. We have computerized our accounting system, improving our controls and reporting. We have developed a web site providing the public with significantly more information on who we are and what we are doing for our community. We have developed an ongoing maintenance program to ensure that the Waterman Pier is in the best possible condition for years to come. We installed a security system to help protect our users and discourage vandalism. Finally, we converted our lighting to LED, saving energy and lowering maintenance.

Our goals moving forward are to continue to take care of the pier to ensure the best possible use of the facility and to be a good neighbor to those who live close by. We welcome input from the community on ways to do this.

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General Election 2023 FAQ

Q. What happens if I vote for more than one candidate in a race?

A. Your vote in that race will be considered an “overvote” and no candidates will be credited with a vote. If you vote for more than one candidate accidentally, follow the instructions on your ballot to correct it.

Q. If I decide not to vote on one race, will that affect my votes in other races?

A. No. How you vote in one race has no impact on your votes in other races. When neither candidate or option in a ballot measure receives a vote, it is considered an “undervote.”

Q. What happens if I write in a candidate not on the ballot?

A. Per state law (RCW 29A.60.021) votes for write-in candidates are not tallied in the General Election, except for write-in candidates who file a declaration of write-in candidacy AND when there are enough write-in votes that a write-in candidate could win the election.

A list of candidates who filed a declaration of write-in candidacy, if any, is available on our website at kitsap.gov/elections

Q. Why is there no information about which party a candidate belongs to?

A. Most elections in odd-numbered years are considered nonpartisan races and candidates are not asked to name a party preference. They can state a preference within a statement, but there is no official recognition elsewhere, like there would be in even-numbered years. The exception is when someone in a partisan position resigns on time for an election to be held to fill the remainder of the term. There are no exceptions in Kitsap County elections this year.

If you would like to contact either of the major political parties, their contact information follows.

Washington State Democratic Party

P.O. Box 4027
Seattle, WA 98194
(206) 583-0664
wa-democrats.org/contact
wa-democrats.org

Washington State Republican Party

11811 NE 1st St., Ste. A306
Bellevue, WA 98005
(425) 460-0570
info@wsrp.org
wsrp.org

Kitsap County Democratic Party

P.O. Box 27
Silverdale, WA 98383
(360) 698-6833
kitsapdemocrats.org/contact-info/
kitsapdemocrats.org

Kitsap County Republican Party

6610 Kitsap Way, Ste. 102
Bremerton, WA 98312
(360) 761-1176
chair@KitsapRepublicans.com
kitsaprepublicans.com

More questions? Contact us at auditor@kitsap.gov, 360-337-7128 or use the questionnaire at kitsap.gov/elections.

Kitsap County Sewer District No. 7 – Commissioner Position 2 – 6-year term



Jacob K. Johnson

Biography: I am a business owner and educated tradesman with two decades of utility infrastructure experience. My early focus on underground construction for the government, commercial/industrial, and residential sectors developed a passion for clean and sustainable water. The majority of my business this past decade has been focused within the framework of SGMA,

contributing to the protection of California’s groundwater resources through the design and installation of precise discharge and recharge systems, including groundwater banking. My business also provides service through new construction and reparation for various water/utility districts and water treatment facilities.

Statement: As a land owner and a voting member of the Fort Ward Community, I am pursuing this opportunity to serve and contribute. If elected, my focus in this role will be on environmental compliance. Specifically the quality of treated water discharged into the Puget Sound while maintaining the current fiscal soundness for the district as a whole. The mission statement of Kitsap County Sewer District #7:

“To provide reliable wastewater services at a reasonable rate through thoughtful effective planning, efficient operation, and diligent administration. To be environmental stewards by meeting or exceeding discharge standards.”

I too desire to keep our local waterways clean and look forward to the opportunity to serve and provide the stewardship expected by our community, exceeding set standards.

For more information:

Mailing Address: PO Box 11295,
Bainbridge Island, WA 98110



Bonnie E. Harris

Professional Experience: Graduate of University of Washington Law School. Senior Assistant Attorney General, State of Alaska (Retired).

Community Service: Member of Friends of Fort Ward.

Statement: As commissioner, I will work to ensure that the Fort Ward Sewer District maintains the

reliable and cost effective services it has provided to our community in the past. At the same time, it is important that the Wastewater Treatment Plant continue its sound environmental practices. Though sewer utility rates are increasing in many places, the Fort Ward Sewer District has managed through good practices to keep its rates down. As Commissioner of this Sewer District, I will work diligently to help sustain and continue these effective practices.

For more information:

Email: Bonnie4tWard@gmail.com

West Sound Utility District No. 1 – Commissioner Position 2 – 6-year term



Jerry Lundberg

Elected Experience: I have 29 years of experience as a Commissioner of the West Sound Utility District.

Other Professional Experience: I worked for 34 years as a teacher and administrator with the South Kitsap and Bremerton School Districts.

Education: I have received both my Bachelors and Masters degrees from Central Washington University.

Community Service: I am a past member of the Peninsula Football Officials Association and the Kitsap County Substance Abuse Advisory Board.

Statement: For the last 29 years I have been privileged to serve on the Board of the West Sound Utility District. My goals have always been the same. Deliver a safe and quality product, keep the rates as low as fiscally possible, and empower the staff of West Sound to provide professional and courteous customer service.

Our district continues to be financially strong. The status and maintenance of our distribution systems, wells, and reservoirs are excellent.

I ask for your support on Election Day to continue to serve on the Board of the West Sound Utility District.

Thank you.

For more information:

Phone: (360) 871-6107

Email: bigdogbhs@wavecable.com

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C. Skip Olmsted

Statement: It is simple: I want to contribute to my community in a position in which I have some knowledge, based on 24 years of experience in the past. I held this position from 1972-98 and for most of those years was also active in the Washington State Association of Water and Sewer District as a director.

I was born a long time ago, yes, but I am not old and offer my knowledge and wisdom to my community.

For more information:

Phone: (360) 551-2613

Email: skipolm@hotmail.com

Manchester Water District No. 11 – Commissioner Position 2 – 6-year term



Steve Pedersen

Elected Experience: I have served as one of your Manchester Water District Commissioner’s since 2000 the last several years as Board Chair.

Education: I attended schools in the South Kitsap School District graduating from South Kitsap High School, attended Olympic College and graduated from the University

of Washington with a degree in Political Science.

Community Service: For several years I served on the Board for Kitsap Resources Consolidated that is now known as Kitsap Mental Health Services that provides mental health services to people of all ages. Additionally, I have volunteered with the Manchester Library’s annual Father’s Day Salmon Bake.

Statement: Steve was born in Bremerton, raised in Manchester, and continues to reside in Manchester with his wife, Pat. He has a degree in Political Science from the University of Washington and has been proud to serve as one of your Commissioners for the Manchester Water District since 2000. As your Commissioner, he has had the privilege to give back to the community and help make it a better place to live and work, much as his parents and grand-parents did before him.

Steve’s top priority is to ensure a continued supply of clean, safe drinking water that meets or exceeds federal standards. Part of that process is planning for service today and for future service by replacing worn pipes and pumps. Steve will continue to focus on exceptional customer service, accountability, and integrity of all District employees, while working to manage water rates and prudently planning and building for the future. Steve asks for your vote, allowing him the opportunity to continue serving you, the customers of the Manchester Water District.

For more information:

Phone: (360) 871-1263

Email: Pedersens@wavecable.com

North Perry Water District No. 13 – Commissioner Position 3 – 6-year term



Mary Sevilla

Statement: Mary Sevilla, a Bremerton resident 20 yrs, former Seattle resident since 1971, grew up in Tacoma, a Stadium High graduate, U. of WA BSW alumnus, and M.S. from Rochester NY Inst. of Tech. A federal employee of 24 yrs, had past work experience with City of Seattle Water, 11 yrs King County Council Administration, offers a proven comprehensive working

knowledge of county, WA state and federal regulations, legislation and public service.

With Seattle City Water Utility in Water Conservation/ Education; Seattle Aquarium-Salmon Festival Fundraising Development, and King County Council Administration legislation. Has been a Land/Water steward with Kitsap and King County/WSU Cooperative Extension; a Volunteer Steward Community member of Seattle Surface Water Drainage & Wastewater Community Board; Board of Governance Rep. with Sierra Club/Rochester NY- Atlantic Chapter. Also, served ten years as a credit union board director in Seattle. Her public service interests as Commissioner, is to represent water utility consumers, promote water quality conservation, education and preservation of NPWD precious aquifer resource in the Puget Sound watershed area.

For more information:

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Sunnyslope Water District No. 15 – Commissioner Position 3 – 6-year term

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David Larman

Statement: No statement submitted.

For more information: No contact information submitted

Silverdale Water District No. 16 – Commissioner Position 3 – 6-year term



Marcus Hoffman

Biography: Marcus Hoffman earned a B.A. at Colorado Mesa University in Economics and Political Science as double majors with minors in History and Sociology after serving in the US Air Force. Marcus has helped ensure best practices for our water utility over the twenty-four years of serving as your elected Commissioner.

Statement: Reading this voter's guide means you are engaged in our community and care about whom we elect. These positions determine our schools, activities of ports, and operation of local utilities. These elections have an impact on our daily lives.

Our Silverdale community elected me in 1999, through four election cycles. For the first time, I am running unopposed. Nevertheless, I respect and appreciate your vote of confidence to serve you for another six-year term.

Silverdale Water District is a well-run utility, of which I am a small part. The combination of professional staff, solid thoughtful policies, and a forward-thinking board puts this district in the top 5% of all districts in Washington. Special districts operate without general taxes. We are funded by you, our ratepayers. The water bill you pay and the other fees we collect, pay for everything. Overseeing the budget is my primary job.

If you would like to know more about building a sustainable water utility on a limited budget contact Silverdale Water District. I am willing to present to your group about promoting water conservation and how we carefully manage our limited natural resources for the future. Thanks for voting for Marcus Hoffman.

For more information:

Phone: (360) 271-0023



Melissa Timme

Elected Experience: Hopefully, this will be the only time this field is left blank.

Other Professional Experience: Small Business Owner, Photographer, Commercial Video Editor

Education: Texas Christian University - Radio TV Film Program

Community Service: 9 years of elected board positions for two different cooperative preschools- President, Vice President and Marketing Director.

Statement: I am a long time resident and fixture in the parks and recreation community. As a mother of three school aged children, my family participates in a multitude of programs, camps, classes, and sports. As such, I bring a lived experience of the benefits and opportunities for change in the Bainbridge Island Parks District.

I am the de facto social chair, and I serve on various committees on the Bainbridge Pickleball Community Board. However, I value all programs and recreational offerings, as well as sustainable and fair park development. As a business owner, I know that this can only be achieved through careful stewardship of public funding.

I am a natural leader and consummate convener, who ensures that all voices are heard and respected, no matter the context. I believe that a diversity of perspectives leads to truly innovative solutions.

I have direct experience and a deep understanding of what programs benefit families and the community at large. I bring a fresh perspective that is relevant to the community now, as well as ensure a bright future and thriving community where everyone can enjoy all our island has to offer.

For more information:

Email: Melissa4biparks@gmail.com

Website: melissatimme4parks.com



Tom Goodlin

Elected Experience: BIMPRD Commissioner – 2 years (2022 – present)

Other Professional Experience: Professional geologist and hydrogeologist for environmental consulting firms. Worked 37 years performing groundwater quality and hydrology evaluations and remediation of contaminated sites and water resource projects.

Education: B.S. Geology, Stanford University. M.S. Geology, University of Arizona. Licensed Hydrogeologist, State of Washington.

Community Service: Bainbridge Island Land Trust board 2008-2014 (President 2013-2014); active in purchasing and protecting conservation lands that were added to Park District properties, including the 31-acre Hilltop parcel connecting the Grand Forest East and West. Bainbridge Aquatic Masters swimming club board 2016-2021 (President 3 years). Youth soccer and BI Little League coach 1999-2005).

Statement: I was elected in 2021 to serve the last 2 years of a vacated Park Commissioner position. Since then, my top three priorities have been to increase transparency for Park District actions, expand trail access, and implement facility improvements. As Commissioner, I've advocated for strong community outreach in planning projects such as the lighted turf fields, bike park, skatepark, and dog park being developed at Strawberry Hill; I have been involved in trails planning and expanding the trails network; and I have advocated measured development at Sakai Park that includes a picnic shelter, playground, and tennis courts while retaining open space for outdoor solitude in our more developed downtown region. I've also been active in public discussions regarding future projects for an Aquatic Center replacement pool, indoor sports fieldhouse, and pickleball court expansion.

My wife and I have lived on Bainbridge Island for 25 years, raising our 2 children here. I believe community service is important for community well-being. Serving as Commissioner provides an opportunity to improve daily lives by responsibly stewarding our abundant natural walking trails, classes for life-long learning and enjoyment, and youth and adult sports facilities that support play and exercise on our island.

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Jason Manges

Statement: No statement submitted.

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Important Dates General Election 2023



Deadline for the county to mail ballots. In most elections ballots go out one or two days ahead of deadline, so your ballot might arrive on October 19 or shortly after.



Deadline to receive new registrations and voter updates online and by mail for the November General Election.



ELECTION DAY Deadline for in-person registration and voter updates for the November General Election.



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General Election certification by the Kitsap County Elections Canvassing Board.

Proposition No. 1

Capital Improvement and School Construction General Obligation Bonds - \$271,000,000

Official Ballot Title

Board of Directors of South Kitsap School District No. 402 adopted Resolution No. 1367 concerning a proposition to finance capital improvements for student safety and educational facilities. This proposition would authorize the District to: construct a new Cedar Heights Middle School; construct a new Olalla Elementary School; construct a new South Colby Elementary School; construct a new Explorer Academy and Discovery High School; renovate South Kitsap High School; and make District-wide safety, security, HVAC, parking and technology improvements; issue no more than \$271,000,000 of general obligation bonds maturing within 21 years; and levy annual excess property tax levies to pay such bonds, as provided in Resolution No. 1367.

Should this proposition be approved:

- Yes**
- No**

Explanatory Statement

(Prepared by the attorney for the district as prescribed by law.)

Approval of Proposition No. 1 will allow South Kitsap School District No. 402 to finance critical facility needs by issuing bonds. If voters approve this proposition, the District will use the bond proceeds to construct a new Cedar Heights Middle School, a new Olalla Elementary School, a new South Colby Elementary School, and a new Explorer Academy and Discovery High School. The District will also use bond proceeds to renovate South Kitsap High School and make Districtwide safety, security, parking and technology improvements, including upgrades to emergency communication systems, improved traffic access, accessibility upgrades, new heating and cooling systems, improved parking lot lighting, and renovations to interior and exterior building finishes.

The District has determined these projects are necessary to replace aging and educationally outdated infrastructure and school facilities, to improve educational opportunities, and to enhance student safety and security.

The bonds will be repaid from annual property taxes over a period not to exceed 21 years. Please consult the District's website for the anticipated tax implications associated with Proposition No. 1. Exemptions from taxes may be available, call the Kitsap County Assessor at (360) 337-7160.

Argument For the Measure

To give our students the best opportunity to succeed, South Kitsap School District asks for your vote to “Approve” this bond. Since school districts do not receive state funding for construction, your support is necessary to fix our schools. The last successful bond passed 35 years ago – now is the time to reinvest in our students and community.

This bond addresses immediate rebuilding needs.

This bond replaces 5 schools, eliminates 43 portable classrooms, and renovates the oldest parts of SKHS. The worst condition schools will be replaced at their current sites, meeting health and safety standards and adding early learning centers to help our youngest students succeed from the start. SKHS’s renovation gives students overdue instructional space, including dedicated space for trades, technical, and special education.

This bond makes critical safety improvements

districtwide. This bond includes emergency communication upgrades, traffic access improvements (separate family and bus areas), accessibility upgrades, better parking lot lighting, and HVAC replacements. Your Approve vote ensures our students and staff are safe at school.

Your local tax rate will stay the same as 2022. This bond gives the opportunity to support the next generation of learners without overburdening taxpayers. In addition, if approved, this bond will be matched by state funding of \$40 million. As our community grows, our tax burden decreases. Many seniors and people with disabilities are eligible for property tax exemptions. Learn more at: bit.ly/kitsaptaxexemptions.

Our students and community need this bond to succeed. Support SK and vote “Approve” by November 7.

Rebuttal to the Argument Against

The opposition agrees: we need to fund school construction. This bond is the result of years of study by SKSD, parents, and community members to develop an alternative to previous proposals. SKSD used a new advisor and committee at the opposition’s request, yet he still abstained from voting. To see this bond’s detailed plans, visit www.skschools.org/bond. Vote Approve to keep our students safe, improve our community, and keep \$40 million of state matching funds.

Argument prepared by Tiffany Wilhelm, Chairperson; John Gese and Kristi McGee, committee members, committee for the measure. For more information, email info@voteskschools.com call (360) 471-5366, or go to www.voteskschools.com

Argument Against the Measure

No one disputes the need for school upgrades. The question is which solution. The second HS was the district focus for years. Now, the plan includes fixing the three oldest schools in limited growth areas, new Discovery/ Explorer building, and improvements at the SKHS. What about the continuing westward growth and the second HS? Was renovation and school consolidation considered to cut costs? Of bigger concern is the bond clause states that the board can spend as they wish, not necessarily what you vote for. Newspaper articles detailed district audit report compliance irregularities.

Building codes and environmental concerns have dramatically changed in the last 35 years. The plan appears simple; costly new construction. Has due diligence been completed ensuring a feasible plan? The district provided no research/emails/studies indicating any contact with city, county, and state agencies despite assurances from the board president that this plan will work. The real plan is just give us your money and we’ll figure it out. Costly design issues and permit delays will arise.

This 22 year \$271M bond will actually cost \$459M+ due to interest. Taxes on a \$500K home will start at \$500/ yr., rising quickly to over \$800. Renters and apartment dwellers pay taxes too, and will quickly see big rent increases. SKFR levy passage increases our tax pain.

And, other District Facilities over the next 22 years- still neglected? No comprehensive plan exists for future improvements/bonds that will end future bonds/levy tax increases? Vote no- pending detailed plans addressing feasibility, consolidation, and growth.

Rebuttal to the Argument For

How are schools currently operating if they aren’t safe and don’t meet health/safety standards? One paragraph says the state provides no construction funds; but another states they provide \$40M- which is it? Many projects are actually deferred maintenance projects due to excessive personnel spending. Less than 5% might qualify for slightly reduced property taxes. The district uses impact fees to pay for the SKHS HVAC projects versus for infrastructure improvements. Just who do you trust?

Argument prepared by Jeff Daily, Chairperson for South Kitsap Citizens Demanding Responsible Taxation, committee against the measure. For more information, email: skcdrt01@gmail.com, or visit: <http://vote-no-sksd-2023-bond.team/index.html>

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The cover features the Kitsap County logo in the top left corner, which includes a seal with a fish and the text "KITSAP COUNTY WASHINGTON". To the right of the logo, the title "Kitsap County" is written in a large, bold, sans-serif font, followed by "Official Local Voters' Pamphlet" and "General Election 2023" in a smaller font. The center of the cover is decorated with five circular illustrations: a dog holding a sign that says "I VOTED", a large blue circle with "I VOTED" and stars, a person at a voting station, a hand holding a ballot, and a person's face with a hand holding a ballot. At the bottom, it says "Published by the Office of the Kitsap County Auditor" and a blue banner with white text reads "Ballots will be mailed by October 20".