

Primary needed for two Jackson Co school board races

(KNZA)--A primary election will be needed to narrow the field of candidates for two school board positions in Jackson County.

According to the Jackson County Clerk's Office, they include position 5 on the Jackson Heights USD 335 Board and position 4 on the Holton USD 336 Board.

On the Jackson Heights board, Wendie Richter, Shannon Henry, Matthew Browning and Justin Moore are vying for position 5. The position is currently held by Ed Rostetter.

On the Holton school board, Ryan Phillips, Zachary Lancaster, Simon Murnahan and Rochelle Falk are seeking position 4. The position is currently held by Allen Arnold.

During the August 3 primary election, the top two getters for each position will advance to the November 2 general election ballot.

There will also be contested races for several other school board positions in November.

On the Jackson Heights USD 335 board, Bobbie Ray and David Holliday are vying for position 4, which is currently held by Kelly Kennedy. Incumbent Douglas Amon is being challenged by Samantha Mellies for position 6.

On the Holton USD 336 Board, Brittany Debarge and Terry Clark are seeking position 2, which is to fill an unexpired term. In addition, Casey Kathrens and Terry Lierz are seeking position 6, which Lierz was appointed to last year.

There will also be a contested race for a position on the Royal Valley USD 337 Board. Incumbent Ann Kelly is being challenged by Michelle Decker and Bailey Parker in her bid for re-election to position 6.

Tuesday was the filing deadline.

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