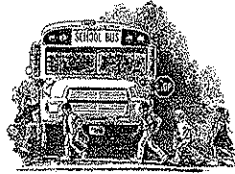


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NEWS RELEASE

RINGWOOD RESIDENTS INTERESTED IN SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDACY

All Ringwood residents are notified that the current deadline for filing Nomination Petitions to run as a candidate for the Ringwood Board of Education is March 1, 2010. All completed and notarized petitions must be on file in the office of the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Warren C. Mitchell, 121 Carletondale Road, no later than 4:00 p.m. Monday, March 1, 2010, with no exception.

There are three (3) year term Board of Education seats available. Candidates must indicate the seat they are seeking on the Nominating Petition. Present Board of Education members retain no rights to these positions.

*Candidates must file a nominating petition with the local school board in order to get their name on the ballot for the Annual School Election. The election is scheduled for Tuesday, April 20, 2010. **A change in the Annual School Election date and candidacy deadline has been proposed in the Legislature. The New Jersey School Boards Association will notify local school districts of such a change, if enacted.***

Prospective school board candidates can obtain a "School Board Candidate Kit" online at www.njsba.org. Published by the New Jersey School Boards Association, the School Board Candidate Kit includes a nominating petition, information about legal qualifications for school board candidacy and the role of the school board member. Information about the New Jersey Ethics Act and important dates in the school election process are also included in the kit.

"One of the most meaningful contributions that a citizen can make to their community is serving on their local board of education," said Harry J. Delgado, NJSBA president. "I encourage all interested citizens to consider school board membership. It doesn't require a degree in education, or a background in politics. However, it does require a sincere interest in the community, its children, and their education."

Residents interested in participating in Board of Education functions should take this opportunity to become involved. For any further information call the office of the School Business Administrator between the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at 973-962-7029.