

Local Elections

Every vote counts

2011 April BOE elections

- All three RNEA-recommended candidates won.
- The difference between third and fourth place was 329 votes.
 - The candidate who came in fourth. Declined to go through the RNEA recommendation process.
 - He later wrote on his Twitter profile: “My life’s goal is to rid public education of union dominance.”

2011 April BOE elections

- Out of the 79,640 registered voters, the candidate winning, Keith Kinder, received 7,068 votes. That means less than 9% of the registered voters voted for him.
- The third ranked candidate received a little over 6% of the vote.

2011 April BOE elections

- The largest population of registered voters in the district:
 - Wildwood: 15,741
 - Fenton: 14,976
 - Wildwood/Ellisville: 13,076
- Compared to:
 - Eureka: 7,084

2011 April BOE elections

- The greatest voter turnout in the district:
 - Eureka: 16%
- Compared to:
 - Wildwood: 7.5%
 - Fenton: 7.5%
 - Wildwood/Ellisville: 9%

RNEA's role in elections

- Recommendation process
 - A committee of RNEA members interview and screen all candidates willing to participate.
 - Committee deliberates and then recommends.
 - RNEA can only recommend a maximum of the number of open seats.
- Campaign process
 - Join a campaign.
 - Phone banks.
 - Hanging literature and putting up signs.
 - Working the polls.

April 2012 BOE elections

- Two BOE seats open.
- You can make all the difference.
 - Volunteer to...
 - Work on a campaign.
 - Make phone calls.
 - Hang signs.
 - Work the polls.
 - Attend BOE meetings.
- Over 1,600 MNEA members live in the district.
That is a large voting block.
 - Talk to your neighbors, family and friends.

Other ballot issues

- Tax referendum.
 - Tabled for November.
 - Should know more after Sept. 26 BOE meeting.
- Bond issue.
 - Cabinet and BOE haven't said anything.
 - Already have postponed renewing the no-tax increase bond for technology by one year.