

NOMINATING PETITION FOR NOVEMBER SCHOOL ELECTIONS

To: Joanne Schwartz, Burlington County Clerk

A: NOMINATING STATEMENT:

We, the undersigned, are qualified voters of the below School District in Burlington County, New Jersey, or, in the case of a regional school district, qualified voters of the constituent district which the candidate shall represent on the below Board of Education of the Regional District in Burlington County, New Jersey. We hereby endorse the following as candidate(s) for membership on the below-named Board of Education, and we hereby request that the name(s) of said candidate(s) be printed on the Official Ballot to be used at the ensuing election for the Board of Education to be held November 3, 2026.

(Date of General Election)

School District: Mount Laurel Board of Education

Municipality: Mount Laurel Township

Term: ☐ Full 3-Year Term ☒ Unexpired 2-Year Term ☐ Unexpired 1-Year Term

Name of Candidate(s)	Residence Address	Post Office (Mailing) Address
Shamara Ijames	128 Cobblestone Dr. Mt. Laurel, NJ 08054	Same As

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First Choice Slogan/Designation: _____

No more than THREE words that convey the principles which the candidates represent, but no designation may contain the name, or a derivative or any part thereof, used as a noun or an adjective, of any political party that is entitled to participate in a Primary Election. Use of a slogan/designation is optional.

Second Choice Slogan/Designation: _____

OPTIONAL - if the first slogan is already taken by a candidate who filed before you, or is otherwise not acceptable, the second-choice slogan will be used.

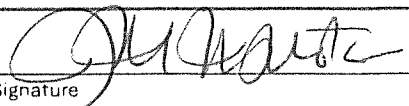
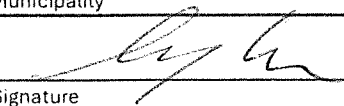
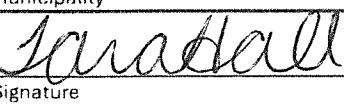
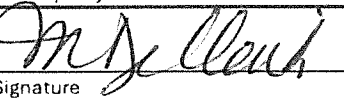
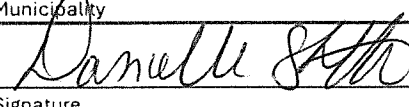
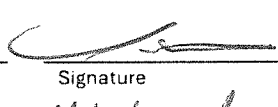
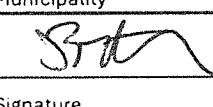
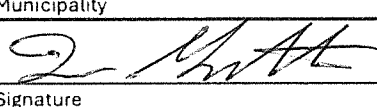
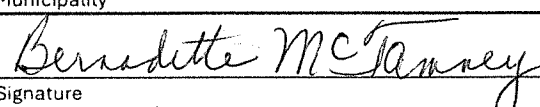
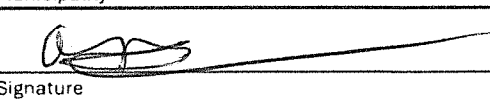
☐ **Joint Petition Candidates** - Check here that you intend to be associated together in the order presented above and under the same slogan and waive your right to have your ballot positions drawn separately.

B. SIGNATORIES:

We, the undersigned petitioners, hereby certify that the above candidate(s) is/are legally qualified under the laws of the State to be elected a Member of the above Board of Education.

At least twenty-five (25) signatures, which may include those of the candidate(s), are required to nominate a candidate.

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1.)	JADE Moustakas Print Name 1 Pommel Court MT Laurel Residence Address	 Signature Burl Co. Municipality
2.)	Sapna Rustagi Print Name 119 Starbanel Way Mt Laurel Residence Address	 Signature Mt. Laurel Township Municipality
3.)	Tara Hall Print Name 11 Holly Cove Residence Address	 Signature Mt. Laurel - Burl. Co. Municipality
4.)	Melissa DeClementi Print Name 710 Decatur Dr. Residence Address	 Signature Mt Laurel - Burl County Municipality
5.)	Danielle Stubb Print Name 371 Harford Rd Residence Address	 Signature Mt Laurel Municipality
6.)	Jon Paradise Print Name 112 Barkshire Dr Residence Address	 Signature Mt Laurel nj 08159 Municipality
7.)	Jarrett Bruton Print Name 128 Cobblestone Dr Residence Address	 Signature Mt Laurel Municipality
8.)	IRA GUTTMAN Print Name 503A CYPRESS PT. CIR Residence Address	 Signature MT LAUREL Municipality
9.)	BERNADETTE MCTAMNEY Print Name 503A CYPRESS POINT CIR Residence Address	 Signature MT. LAUREL Municipality
10.)	Connor Stevens Print Name 23 Brookwood Rd Residence Address	 Signature Mt Laurel Municipality

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11.) <u>Alfred Martino</u> Print Name <u>128 Williamsburg Wy</u> Residence Address	<u>Alfred Martino</u> Signature <u>Mt Laurel, NJ</u> Municipality
12.) <u>Angela Groves</u> Print Name <u>4302 Greenwich Lane</u> Residence Address	<u>[Signature]</u> Signature <u>Mt. Laurel, NJ</u> Municipality
13.) <u>Mi Knon</u> Print Name <u>167 HOOTON RD</u> Residence Address	<u>[Signature]</u> Signature <u>MT. LAUREL NJ</u> Municipality
14.) <u>Kelly Hart.</u> Print Name <u>7 Southgate Dr.</u> Residence Address	<u>[Signature]</u> Signature <u>Mt Laurel NJ</u> Municipality
15.) <u>Molly DeCaro (Horner)</u> Print Name <u>254 St. David Dr. Mt. Laurel NJ</u> Residence Address	<u>[Signature]</u> Signature <u>Mt. Laurel</u> Municipality
16.) <u>Lenny DeTore</u> Print Name <u>143 Cobblestone Drive</u> Residence Address	<u>[Signature]</u> Signature <u>Mt Laurel</u> Municipality
17.) <u>Cornelis W. Knook</u> Print Name <u>118 Cobblestone Dr.</u> Residence Address	<u>[Signature]</u> Signature <u>Cor Knook</u> Municipality
18.) <u>Sara Jennings</u> Print Name <u>1046 Harwood Ct.</u> Residence Address	<u>[Signature]</u> Signature <u>Mount Laurel</u> Municipality
19.) <u>Travon Groves</u> Print Name <u>4302 Greenwich Ln</u> Residence Address	<u>[Signature]</u> Signature <u>Mt. Laurel</u> Municipality
20.) <u>Carrie Sutton</u> Print Name <u>127 Williamsburg Way</u> Residence Address	<u>[Signature]</u> Signature <u>Mt. Laurel</u> Municipality

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21.)	Kaelyn Alexander Print Name 127 Williamsburg way Residence Address	<i>Kaelyn Alexander</i> Signature MOUNT LAUREL Municipality
22.)	Don Sutton Print Name 127 Williamsburg Way, Laurel Residence Address	<i>Don Sutton</i> Signature Mt Laurel Municipality
23.)	Kate Nicholls Print Name 101 Cobblestone Dr Residence Address	<i>Kate Nicholls</i> Signature Mt. Laurel Municipality
24.)	Mike Nicholls Print Name 101 Cobblestone Dr. Residence Address	<i>Mike Nicholls</i> Signature Mt. Laurel Municipality
25.)	Shamara I James Print Name 128 Cobblestone Drive Residence Address	<i>Shamara I James</i> Signature Mt. Laurel Municipality
26.)	Shana Kline Print Name 156 Briarwood Rd Residence Address	<i>Shana Kline</i> Signature Mt. Laurel Municipality
27.)	Print Name Residence Address	Signature Municipality
28.)	Print Name Residence Address	Signature Municipality
29.)	Print Name Residence Address	Signature Municipality
30.)	Print Name Residence Address	Signature Municipality

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C. AFFIDAVIT OF CIRCULATOR:

I, Shamara Ijames, circulator of this nominating petition, being duly sworn
(Name of Circulator)

or affirmed according to the law on oath, deposes and says: The present petition is signed by each of the signers thereof in his/her own handwriting; the signers are, to the best of my knowledge and belief, legally qualified to vote at the school district election for which the candidates are nominated; and that the petition is prepared and filed in absolute good faith for the sole purpose of endorsing each candidate and placing the candidate(s)'s name on the official ballot in order to seek election as a member of the Board of Education. The circulator further affirms that he/she is eligible to vote in the State of New Jersey, and meets the age, citizenship, and residency requirements as required by New Jersey law.

Shamara Ijames
Circulator's Signature

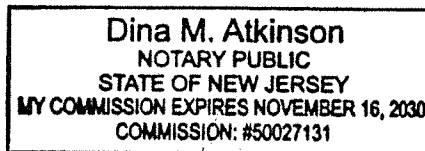
Shamara Ijames
Circulator's Typed/Printed Name

SWORN OR AFFIRMED AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME THIS

8th DAY OF July, 2026

Dina M. Atkinson

Signature of Notary Public, NJ Attorney or other person
authorized under New Jersey law to administer oath



(Affix notary stamp here)

Per N.J.S.A. 19:60-7, N.J.S.A. 40A:14-71(b), Petitions shall be filed with the County Clerk at 50 Rancocas Road, 3rd Floor, Mount Holly, before 4:00 p.m. on the last Monday in July.

D. NOTICE

All candidates are required to comply with the provisions of the "New Jersey Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Reporting Act." For further information, please call (609) 292-8700 or go to www.elec.nj.gov

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E. CANDIDATES ACCEPTANCE AND OATH OF OFFICE

Each candidate listed on page one (1) is required to sign one (1) Candidate's Acceptance and Oath of Allegiance. For additional pages, print/copy this page as needed.

QUALIFICATIONS - Candidates filing a nominating petition for board membership must meet the following qualifications:

- a citizen of the United States of America
- at least 18 (eighteen) years of age to qualify for office
- able to read and write
- a resident of the municipality from which he/she is to be elected for at least one year preceding the date of the election
- not disqualified as a voter pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:4-1
- a registered voter in the district
- not convicted of a disqualifying crime pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:12-1

CANDIDATE'S ACCEPTANCE AND OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

I, Shamara Ijames, a candidate for membership of the board of education named in the foregoing
(Candidate's Name)
petition, do hereby certify that I am qualified to be a member of the Mt. Laurel Board of
(Name of School District)

Education; that I consent to stand as a candidate for election and, if elected, agree to accept and qualify into that office. I further affirm and declare I am not disqualified as a voter pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:4-1, nor have I been convicted of a disqualifying crime pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18a:12-1.

I further do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of New Jersey and that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same and to the Governments established in the United States and in this State, under the authority of the people. So help me God.

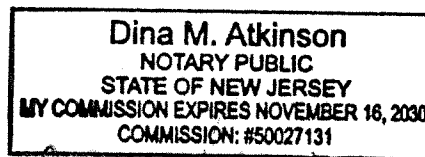
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SWORN OR AFFIRMED AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME THIS

8th DAY OF July, 2026

Signature of Notary Public, NJ Attorney or other person
authorized under New Jersey law to administer an oath.



Dina M. Atkinson
(Affix notary stamp here)

CANDIDATE CONTACT INFORMATION

Telephone: 956.577.7044 Email Address: sijames@mtlaurelschools.org

No board of education member shall be directly or indirectly involved in any contract with, or claim against, the board. **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

- Within 30 days of election or appointment to the board, a member must undergo a **criminal history background investigation** through the New Jersey Department of Education.
- The School Ethics Act and nepotism legislation impact the ability of board members who have relatives working in the school district to act in areas such as personnel and collective negotiations. Please consult your board secretary for details.
- Two or more candidates for any given term of office may notify in writing the County Clerk, at least seven days before the drawing date that they wish to have their names with their chosen designation, if any, bracketed together, so that their names and designation, if any, are selected as a group at the drawing and their names and designation are printed together on the ballot. The candidates shall determine among themselves the order in which their names are to appear within the bracket prior to so notifying.