

**The Ontario Education Services Corporation (OESC), on behalf of Ontario's four school board/trustee associations is developing a series of resources to support trustee candidates and communities in the upcoming Municipal and School Board Elections happening Monday, October 22, 2018. This initiative will be undertaken with support from the Ministry of Education. The resources will include updated versions of the following;**

### *Making a Difference for Kids: Running for Election as a School Board Trustee*

This guidebook provides a user friendly overview of Ontario's education system, school boards and the role of trustees. Its purpose is to provide the public with information relevant to the October 2018 Municipal & School Board Elections and to encourage candidates to run for trustee. Potential trustee candidates will find the guide useful as it offers details on the responsibilities of trustees, required commitment, qualifications and key steps and stages in the nomination process.

*Release Date: April, 2018*

### *Your Guide to Hosting a School Board Trustee All Candidates Meeting*

This resource will be a guide for trustees, school boards and communities to encourage the organization of all candidates meetings in advance of the October 2018 Municipal & School Board Elections. All candidates meetings are an ideal way for voters to discover where their local trustee candidates stand on the issues that matter to the electorate. The guide will provide readers with a clear framework for organizing a successful event.

*Release Date: April, 2018*

### *Public Awareness Videos and Public Education Resources*

OESC will release a series of public awareness videos to promote the role of school board trustee, encourage candidate recruitment and highlighted the importance of voting in Municipal and School Board Elections. The videos will be accompanied with posters, website banners and buttons, newspaper ads and audio files to encourage greater interest in the upcoming election.

*Release Date: May, 2018*

### *Centralized School Board Elections Website*

The hub for school board election information, election resources and trustee candidate information [www.elections.ontarioschooltrustees.org](http://www.elections.ontarioschooltrustees.org) will be revitalized for 2018. The site will feature profiles of trustee candidates running in all four school systems across the province.

*Release Date: May, 2018*

### *Good Governance Guide*

This post-election resource will be made available to all school board trustees and school boards after the October election. The Guide offers a substantive introduction to the work of effectively governing a school board. It is the go-to handbook for newly elected and experienced trustees on all aspects of their role as school board governors and elected officials.

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