

**O**n October 16th, 2017 we have the opportunity and responsibility to elect school board trustees within each of Alberta's school districts.

School board trustees set important policies and priorities which directly impact the experience of students and families within their district.

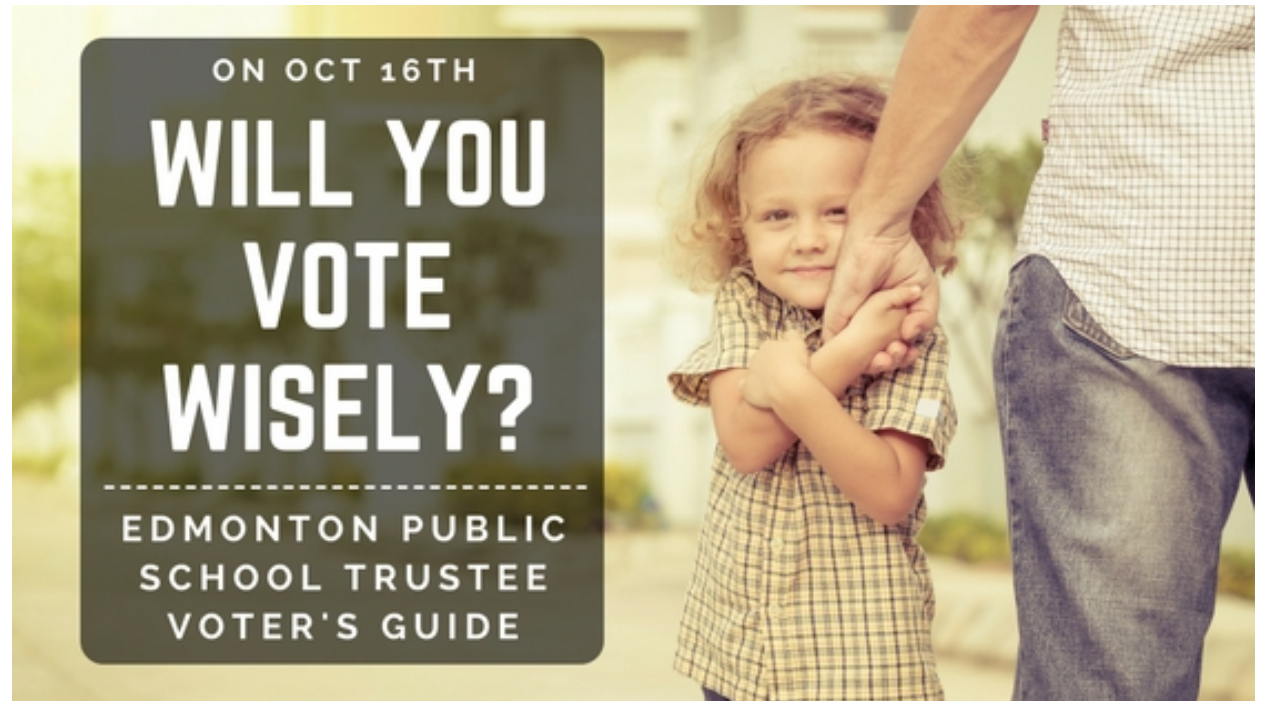
They also manage budgets which range from multi-millions in some areas to more than one billion dollars each for [Calgary](#) & [Edmonton](#). These billions of dollars spent every year come directly from taxpayers. In fact, up to 30% of your property tax goes [directly to the province](#) for education (see [Edmonton](#) and [Red Deer](#) as examples).

Trustee decisions can also impact students and families beyond a trustee's own district. For example, this past year certain public school boards/trustees actively lobbied the provincial government to:

- [eliminate the choice](#) of a separate Catholic system
- [defund](#) independent school students

**Remember: Even if you have don't have a child in school or in the public school system, we all pay taxes to fund the system and we all reap the consequences of how it is managed, whether wisely or poorly.**

Make your vote count! Our future generations depend on our wise choices today.



### **BE INFORMED AND ENGAGED**

Parents for Choice in Education (PCE) has compiled information for 200 + candidates in 16 different school districts in Alberta.

PCE will not promote or endorse any particular candidate, nor tell you how you should vote.

What we **will** do is urge every Albertan toward:

1. **INFORMED** decision making
2. **ENGAGING** in the democratic process

Remember: The individuals elected to trustee positions will govern the direction of our local schools for the **next 4 years**.

We have provided this resource to make it as easy as possible for you to learn about

candidates in your area and select trustees you feel will be responsive to your concerns and represent your values.

**Take the time to get to know your candidates and VOTE WISELY.** The future of education in Alberta depends on you!

**Let's work together to ensure the best possible candidates are elected to the important role of school board trustee in Alberta!**

## STEP #1: Find your ward

Edmonton Public School Board is divided into 9 areas called “wards”. One trustee is elected from each ward. These wards are named with letters from A to I.

If you need help finding your ward, please [CLICK HERE](#) for detailed ward maps

## STEP #2: Learn more about the specific candidates for your ward

For your convenience we have separated the list of candidates into wards. Find the page of candidates for your ward and then research more about each candidate. Where possible, PCE has included multiple sources of information, including campaign websites and/or Facebook pages and various relevant news articles. We also provide links to other public surveys if the responses allowed for nuanced personal policy perspectives to be shared. We do not consider pledges to fall into this category. You can also access candidate videos on [Edmonton Public’s You Tube](#) channel.

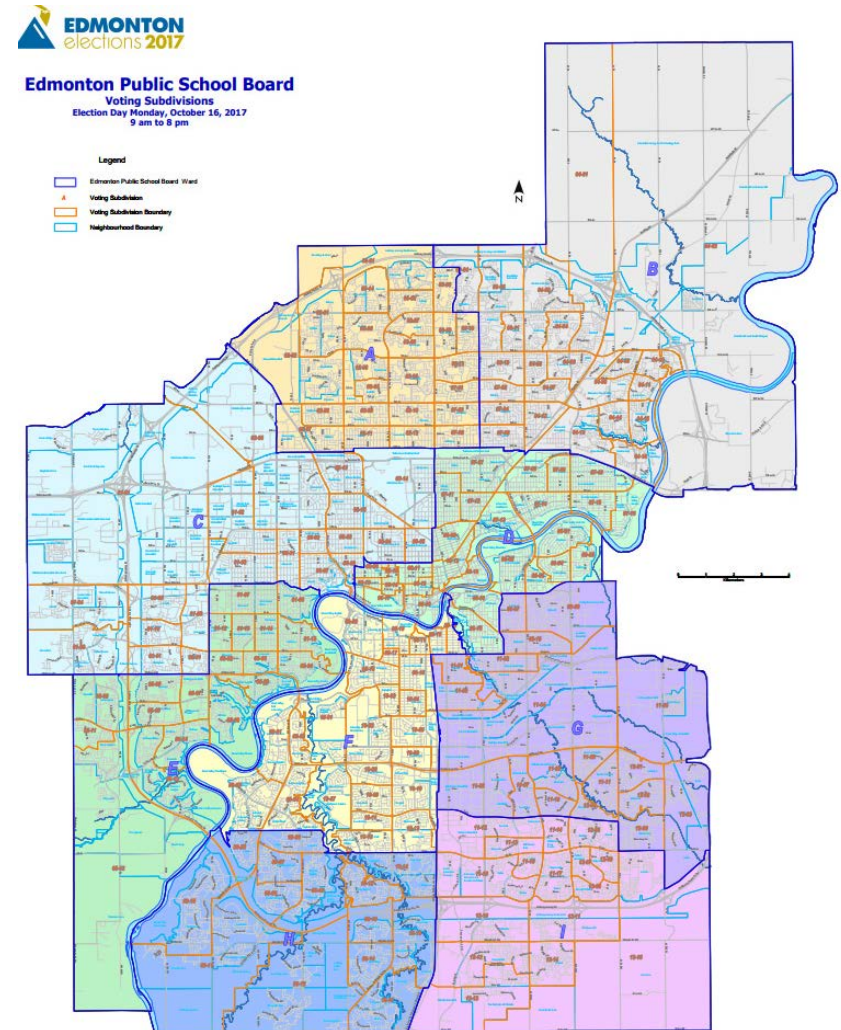
All candidates listed in our Voter Guide received our PCE Questionnaire. Those who submitted their response prior to the deadline have their answers included in this resource. We appreciate each candidate who responded honestly, regardless of whether or not their stance is aligned with PCE’s particular advocacy positions.

## STEP #3: Find your voting station.

[CLICK HERE](#) to find your voting station and remember to VOTE on October 16th.

## STEP #4: Want to do more?

[CLICK HERE](#) to visit our website for tools you can use to **share this Voter’s Guide resource with others**, including half page printable flyers, a sample email and a 30 second video advertisement, and information on volunteering and donating to campaigns you choose.



## WARD A candidates – Edmonton Public

NAME & WEBSITE	CONTACT INFO	WARD	LEARN MORE INFORMATION
<a href="#">CHAHAL, Perry</a>	<a href="#">Facebook page</a>	A	<a href="#">Teachers' Association Edmonton Local Survey Response</a>
<a href="#">DEAK, Thomas</a>	<a href="#">Contact Form</a>	A	<a href="#">Teachers' Association Edmonton Local Survey Response</a> <a href="#">Capital Club Survey Results</a>
<a href="#">GAULT, James</a>	<a href="#">Contact Form</a>	A	<a href="#">PCE Questionnaire Response CLICK HERE</a>
<a href="#">JOHNER, Cheryl</a>	<a href="mailto:Cheryl.johner@epsb.ca">Cheryl.johner@epsb.ca</a>	A	
<a href="#">KNOWMADIC, Ahmed</a>	<a href="#">Facebook page</a>	A	<a href="#">PCE Questionnaire Response CLICK HERE</a> <a href="#">Teachers' Association Edmonton Local Survey Response</a> <a href="#">Capital Club Survey Results</a>
<a href="#">LAM, George Chung Yan</a>	<a href="#">Contact Form</a>	A	
<a href="#">LURI, Joseph</a>	<a href="#">Facebook page</a>	A	<a href="#">Teachers' Association Edmonton Local Survey Response</a> <a href="#">Capital Club Survey Results</a>

## WARD B candidate – Edmonton Public - ACCLAIMED

<a href="#">DRAPER, Michelle</a>	<a href="mailto:michelle.draper@epsb.ca">michelle.draper@epsb.ca</a>	<b>B</b>	ACCLAIMED
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## WARD C candidates – Edmonton Public

NAME & WEBSITE	CONTACT INFO	WARD	LEARN MORE INFORMATION
<a href="#">CHUBB, Orville</a>	<a href="#">Contact Form</a>	<b>C</b>	<p><a href="#">PCE Questionnaire Response CLICK HERE</a></p> <p><a href="#">Teachers' Association Edmonton Local Survey Response</a></p> <p><a href="#">Capital Club Survey Results</a></p>
<a href="#">DUNN, Shelagh</a>	<a href="#">Contact Form</a>	<b>C</b>	<p><a href="#">Teachers' Association Edmonton Local Survey Response</a></p> <p><a href="#">Capital Club Survey Results</a></p>
<a href="#">HOFFMAN, Jon</a>	<a href="mailto:hoffmanforepsb@gmail.com">hoffmanforepsb@gmail.com</a>	<b>C</b>	<p><a href="#">PCE Questionnaire Response CLICK HERE</a></p>
<a href="#">KRONEBUSCH, Kurt</a>	<a href="#">Facebook page</a>	<b>C</b>	<p><a href="#">PCE Questionnaire Response CLICK HERE</a></p> <p><a href="#">Teachers' Association Edmonton Local Survey Response</a></p> <p><a href="#">Capital Club Survey Results</a></p>

## WARD D candidates – Edmonton Public

NAME & WEBSITE	CONTACT INFO	WARD	LEARN MORE INFORMATION
<a href="#">BEHRENS, Jeff</a>	<a href="mailto:votejeffbehrens@gmail.com">votejeffbehrens@gmail.com</a>	D	<a href="#">Teachers' Association Edmonton Local Survey Response</a> <a href="#">Capital Club Survey Results</a>
<a href="#">ESTABROOKS, Trisha</a>	<a href="#">Contact Form</a>	D	<a href="#">Teachers' Association Edmonton Local Survey Response</a> <a href="#">Capital Club Survey Results</a>
<a href="#">O'CONNOR, Kevin</a>	<a href="#">Facebook page</a>	D	<a href="#">Teachers' Association Edmonton Local Survey Response</a> <a href="#">Capital Club Survey Results</a>
<a href="#">PERRYMENT, Tamie</a>	<a href="mailto:tamiewardd@gmail.com">tamiewardd@gmail.com</a>	D	<a href="#">PCE Questionnaire Response <b>CLICK HERE</b></a> <a href="#">Teachers' Association Edmonton Local Survey Response</a> <a href="#">Capital Club Survey Results</a>

## WARD E candidates – Edmonton Public

NAME & WEBSITE	CONTACT INFO	WARD	LEARN MORE INFORMATION
<a href="#">FILICE, Sam</a>	<a href="mailto:samfilice2017@gmail.com">samfilice2017@gmail.com</a>	<p style="text-align: center;">E</p>	<p> <a href="#">Teachers' Association Edmonton Local Survey Response</a>  <a href="#">Capital Club Survey Results</a> </p>
<a href="#">GIBSON, Ken</a>	<a href="mailto:ken@kengibson.ca">ken@kengibson.ca</a>	<p style="text-align: center;">E</p>	<p> <a href="#">Teachers' Association Edmonton Local Survey Response</a>  <a href="#">Capital Club Survey Results</a> </p>
<p>HURLEY, Chris</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">E</p>	

## WARD F candidates – Edmonton Public

NAME & WEBSITE	CONTACT INFO	WARD	LEARN MORE INFORMATION
<a href="#">JANZ, Michael</a>	<a href="mailto:michael@michaeljanz.ca">michael@michaeljanz.ca</a>	<p style="text-align: center;">F</p>	<p> <a href="#">PCE Questionnaire Response CLICK HERE</a>  <a href="#">Teachers' Association Edmonton Local Survey Response</a>                      *Michael Janz, in Question #6 of his Teachers' Association Survey Response above, identifies our organization as one of the "homophobic organizations who want to roll back the clock" by linking to an article that is a blatant mischaracterization of our organization and our advocacy for parental choice in education.  <a href="#">Capital Club Survey Results</a> </p>
<a href="#">PHILIP, Yemi</a>	<a href="mailto:info@yemiphilip.ca">info@yemiphilip.ca</a>	<p style="text-align: center;">F</p>	<p> <a href="#">PCE Questionnaire Response CLICK HERE</a>  <a href="#">Teachers' Association Edmonton Local Survey Response</a> </p>

## WARD G candidates – Edmonton Public

NAME & WEBSITE	CONTACT INFO	WARD	LEARN MORE INFORMATION
<a href="#">DUCE, Tyler</a>	<a href="mailto:info@tylerduce.ca">info@tylerduce.ca</a>	G	<a href="#">PCE Questionnaire Response CLICK HERE</a>
<a href="#">STIRLING, Bridget</a>	<a href="mailto:info@bridgetstirling.ca">info@bridgetstirling.ca</a>	G	<p><a href="#">Teachers' Association Edmonton Local Survey Response</a></p> <p><a href="#">Capital Club Survey Results</a></p> <p>In the News: <a href="#">Put forward motion for Comprehensive Sexual Education (CSE)</a> and <a href="#">supports new law</a> making it illegal for school staff to share information with parents about their own children</p>

## WARD H candidates – Edmonton Public

NAME & WEBSITE	CONTACT INFO	WARD	LEARN MORE INFORMATION
<a href="#">ASADI, Neda</a>	<a href="#">Contact Form</a>	H	<p><a href="#">Teachers' Association Edmonton Local Survey Response</a></p> <p><a href="#">Capital Club Survey Results</a></p>
<a href="#">IP, Nathan</a>	<a href="#">Contact Form</a>	H	



## WARD I candidates – Edmonton Public

<a href="#">ADAMS, Sherry</a>	<a href="mailto:Sherry.Adams@epsb.ca">Sherry.Adams@epsb.ca</a>	I	<a href="#">PCE Questionnaire Response CLICK HERE</a> <a href="#">Teachers' Association Edmonton Local Survey Response</a>
<a href="#">ASGHAR, Sajida</a>	<a href="#">Facebook page</a>	I	
<a href="#">WAGNER, Saira</a>	<a href="mailto:campaign@sairawagner.ca">campaign@sairawagner.ca</a>	I	<a href="#">Teachers' Association Edmonton Local Survey Response</a> <a href="#">Capital Club Survey Results</a>