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### Few candidates mean few races for primary election

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**A dearth of candidates filing for office means the primary is going to be almost nonexistent in Kitsap County.**

**All positions up for election have a candidate, but since there is only one that person likely will be elected in November, unless a strong write-in candidate prevails, which is very rare.**

**In races where there are only two candidates, they both move on to the general election.**

**Notable officials who are not seeking re-election are: City Councilmembers Michael Pollock in Bainbridge Island; Quinn Dennehy in Bremerton; Shawn Cucciardi in Port Orchard; and Andrew Phillips, Connie Lord and Jeff McGinty in Poulsbo. Two prominent school board members are not running: Nancy Moffatt in North Kitsap and Jeff Daily in South Kitsap.**

**“I will continue to strongly advocate for academic excellence and the truth. The real purpose of the district is to educate your students for productive careers and lives.**

**Real businesses want competent workers who take care of themselves. So, academic success first, then other things,” Daily says in an email.**

**He added he is proud to have been a SPED teacher at South Kitsap High School and a board member. “I ask that all of you use your free speech rights to effect change in this difficult, complex, and changing world that affects all of our students.”**

**In another notable race, in Port Orchard, Mayor Rob Putaansuu is being challenged by Rawlins Maye. And on Bainbridge Island, for City Council, Dick Haugen is taking on incumbent Kirsten Hytopoulos.**

**The only contests that will see a primary are:**

**North Kitsap School District, 4-year term**

**District 2: Mike Desmond (incumbent); Natasha Fecteau Minger; Luis Castillejo; and Drew McDonald.**

**District 4: Terri Schumacher; Teresa Case; Beverly Godfrey; Adam Salazar; and Bill Longworth.**

**District 5: Barbara Waggoner (incumbent); Stacy Mills; Thomasine Bowen; and Melanie Miller.**

**South Kitsap School District, 4-year term**

**District 2: John R. Berg, (incumbent); [Jaime Cross](#); Megan Higgins; Paul L. Nuchims; and Glenn Goddard.**

**District 5: Jay Villars; Larry Mann; and [Rhonda Edwards](#).**

**South Kitsap Fire and Rescue, 6-year term**

**Position 3: Mike Eslava (incumbent); Robert P. McGee; and Brent Rotter.**

**Port Orchard City Council**

**Position 5: Cindy Lucarelli, (incumbent); Heidi Fenton; and Jessica Hallman.**

**Central Kitsap School District, 4-year term**

**District 3: Drayton Jackson, (incumbent); Rob Sanders; George Campbell; and Jim Gross.**

**District 4: Meghan Hein (incumbent); Eric Rolenaitis; Jason Gilham; and Josh Wexler.**

**Silverdale Port Commissioner, 6-year term**

**District 2: Douglas Kitchens (incumbent); Rick Slate; and Brennan Mayfield.**