Johnson County Government

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CANDIDATES SOUGHT FOR INTERIM SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER POSITIONS

MOUNTAIN CITY, TN – Upon the resignations of District II School Board Member Kimberly Kline and District III School Board Member Gary Matheson, County Commissioners are now tasked with seeking qualified candidates to act as Interim District II and District III School Board Members until the General Election slated for August of 2026. Interested applicants can obtain more information through the Johnson County Mayor's Office who will be coordinating efforts on behalf of Commission Chair, Freddy Phipps. The meeting to appoint the Interim District II and Interim District III School Board Members has been scheduled for Thursday, May 15, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. in the upper chamber of the Johnson County Courthouse located at 222 West Main Street in Mountain City, Tennessee.

According to Tennessee Code Annotated § 49-2-202 the following are requirements for potential applicants who seek to qualify for the appointments. Applicants for each district must be a qualified voter of the county. Applicants must reside in the district in one of the following communities of said district: **District II:** Forge/Shouns, Trade, Neva or City, **District III:** Butler, Doe, Dry Run or Shady Valley. Applicants must have been a resident of the county for one (1) full year prior to the qualification deadline in said county. No member of the County Legislative Body nor any other County Official shall be eligible for election as a member of the county Board of Education. Additional qualifications specific to applicants must be at least the age of (18) eighteen and provide proof of a high school diploma or equivalent. Applicants can submit a resume in person to the County Mayor's office located at the Johnson County Courthouse, located at 222 West Main Street in Mountain City, Tennessee or by emailing office.mayor@johnsoncountytn.gov.

Similarly, as with prior appointments for the interim successor positions, only members of the Johnson County Commission can nominate an individual for consideration. The appointments will be determined by a simple majority vote. In the event of a tie, the County Mayor will cast the deciding vote.

The deadline for resumes to be submitted for County Commission review prior to the meeting is May 07, 2025 at 12 pm. For more information, please call (423) 727-9696. ###