

# Cumulative Voting

## Frequently Asked Questions

### Has the voting system used to elect Board of Education Directors in the Ferguson-Florissant School District changed?

Yes. Due to a ruling by the courts, the voting procedure used to elect school board members in the Ferguson-Florissant School District is changing. Board members will be elected using cumulative voting.

### When will this change take effect?

For the April 2, 2019 election, board members will be elected using cumulative voting.

### What is cumulative voting?

In cumulative voting, voters can cast as many votes as there are seats up for election. You can give more than one vote to a single candidate. For instance, there are two seats open in this board election. You can cast both your votes for one candidate or one vote each to two different candidates.

### Can you give examples of how cumulative voting would work?

In the April 2019 election, FFSD will have two seats open for Board of Education directors. You will have up to two votes to cast. You can cast both of your votes for one candidate, or one vote each to two different candidates. You are not required to cast both of your votes. The two candidates with the most votes will be elected.

### Do any other districts in Missouri use cumulative voting?

No.

### Will cumulative voting apply to city, county and state offices up for election on the April 2, 2019 ballot?

No. This change is only for FFSD Board of Education elections.

### Will I be able to vote every year for the School Board?

Yes. In FFSD, elections are staggered so that either two or three seats are up for election each year. In April 2019, two seats will be up for election. In April 2020, three seats will be up for election, and in April 2021, two seats will be up for election.

### Where and when can I vote?

For more information on school board elections, including absentee voting dates, times and locations, and voter registration information, visit the District's election information page at [www.fergflor.org/elections](http://www.fergflor.org/elections). The deadline to register to vote for the April 2, 2019 election is March 6, 2019. Absentee voting dates for the April 2, 2019 election are February 19-April 1, 2019.

If you have any further questions email [elections@fergflor.org](mailto:elections@fergflor.org); or contact **Eric Fey or Rick Stream, Program Coordinators**, St. Louis County Board of Elections at 314-615-1800 or [stlouiscovotes@stlouisco.com](mailto:stlouiscovotes@stlouisco.com).

## Cumulative Voting Town Hall Meetings - Open to the Public

**Wednesday, February 6**  
6:00-7:00 p.m.

McCluer High School  
1896 S New Florissant Rd.  
Florissant, MO 63031

**Thursday, March 7**  
6:00-7:00 p.m.

McCluer North High School  
705 Waterford Dr.  
Florissant, MO 63033

**Wednesday, March 13**  
6:00-7:00 p.m.

McCluer South-Berkeley  
High School  
201 Brotherton Ln.  
Ferguson, MO 63135

### Sample Ballot

INSTRUCTION: Voting for FFSD Board of Education Director is by cumulative voting. You can cast up to two votes, in any combination, for the candidate(s) of your choice.

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For Director(s) of Board of Education,  
Vote for None, One, or Two.

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