

EDUCATION DAY 2018 – Provincial Election Candidate Meeting

Rules & Procedures

1. Candidates present themselves to the moderator at minimum 15 minutes prior to the call to order.

This will allow time for them to draw for order of speaking.

Doors will open 45 minutes prior and to allow candidates to greet public and display literature on a table outside the auditorium.

2. Meeting will be called to order promptly.
3. Candidates will be seated alphabetically at the speakers' table and will be introduced in this order.
4. Each candidate will be allotted 3 minutes to make an opening statement. The order of these statements will be determined in advance by draw.
5. Candidates will be asked not to interrupt other candidates' opening or closing statements.
6. During the Question and Answer period, the questions will be read to the candidates by the moderator.
Some questions will be received from the floor in written form. These will also be read by the moderator.
The moderator will have the responsibility of making sure that questions are directed to the appropriate candidate if necessary otherwise all candidates will have a chance to respond to the question and the order in which they will be invited to answer will on a rotating basis that the moderator will keep track of.
7. The moderator will rule out of order any questions deemed inappropriate, offensive and derogatory or that would seem to attack the integrity of the candidate.
8. The moderator will rule out of order any person who attempts to use the question period for making a speech rather than asking a question.
9. Questions from the floor will be limited to one per individual to ensure the widest possible participation from the audience. If everyone who wishes to ask a question has had the opportunity to do so and there is still time left in the Question and Answer period, a second question from a member of the audience may be entertained.
10. Answers to questions should be limited to 2-3 minutes to ensure as wide a discussion as possible.
11. Candidates will have 2 minutes for closing statements. The order will be the same as opening statements.