

**Odebolt-Arthur and Battle Creek-Ida Grove Community School Districts
Office of the Superintendent**

April 1, 2016

To: Odebolt-Arthur and Battle Creek-Ida Grove Board Members, Staff and Patrons
From: Terry Kenealy
Re: A Question on Signature Collection Process

This week I received several questions regarding who is eligible to sign the Petition for Reorganization. The following is designed to help answer the questions.

The rules that apply to the collection of signatures for the Petition for Reorganization:

- A person must be a resident of the designated district (the documents are designed for each district, one specifically for Odebolt-Arthur patrons and one for Battle Creek-Ida Grove patrons, however a person could sign any petition document but only once),
- A person must include their address on the petition,
- A person must print their name legibly on the petition
- A person must indicate if they are a registered voter in the district,
- A person must be an eligible voter which means they must; be a U.S. citizen, be an Iowa resident, must be at least 17 ½ years of age and will turn 18 years of age by the day of the proposed election on September 13, 2016.

The Odebolt-Arthur Community School District will need a minimum of 275 registered voters to actually sign the petition in order for it to be valid.

The Battle Creek-Ida Grove Community School District will need a minimum of 400 eligible voters to actually sign the petition in order for it to be valid.

Please let me know if you have additional questions or need more information.