

**THE GREATER AMSTERDAM SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
Dr. Raymond Colucciello, Interim Superintendent of Schools  
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140 Saratoga Avenue  
Amsterdam, New York 12010



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**TO:** School Board Election Candidates  
**FROM:** Lorrie Schell, Clerk, Board of Education  
**RE:** **Candidates' Filing of Campaign Expenses**  
**DATE:** March 19, 2020

New York State Education Law requires that all candidates for election to a board of education should file sworn statements of campaign expenses with the Commissioner of Education and the Clerk of the Board of Education. Section 1528 of Article 32 of Education Law is quoted for your information.

"1528. Expenditure Statement.

1.(a). Any candidate for election to the board of education, except a candidate for member of the community district education council of a New York city community school district, shall file sworn statements with the clerk of the school district in which he or she is a candidate and the commissioner setting forth all moneys or other valuable things, paid, given, expended or promised by him or her, or incurred for or on his or her behalf with his or her approval to be filed with the aforesaid clerk and commissioner by any person, firm, association or corporation, to aid his or her own nomination or election, or to aid or influence the nomination or defeat of any candidate to be voted for at the election. Any candidate for election, if he or she expended nothing or his or her only expenditures were for personal expenses which when taken together with the total expenditures incurred by others on his or her behalf and with his or her approval do not exceed five hundred dollars, and if the aggregate amount of all contributions made to such candidate do not exceed five hundred dollars, shall not be required to file any statements with the commissioner; however such candidate shall file with the clerk of the school district a sworn statement to the effect that his or her election expenditures did not exceed five hundred dollars and contributions received did not exceed five hundred dollars.

(b) Any required contribution statements shall include the dollar amount of any receipt, contribution or transfer, or the fair market value of any receipt, contribution or transfer, which is other than of money, the name and address of the transferor, contributor or person from whom

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received, and if the transferor, contributor or person is a political committee as defined in subdivision one of section 14-100 of the election law; the name of and the political unit represented by the committee, the date of its receipt, the dollar amount of every expenditure, the name and address of the person to whom it was made or the name of and the political unit represented by the committee to which it was made and the date thereof.

(c) No person or persons shall make expenditures on behalf of a candidate without his or her approval unless such person or persons files a sworn statement with the clerk and commissioner stating that the candidate did not approve such expenditure. Such expenditure shall be limited to twenty-five dollars and shall not be included in determining the five hundred dollars as set forth in paragraph (a) of this subdivision.

2. For the purposes of this section, personal expenses shall include only payments for traveling expenses and expenses incidental thereto, for writing, printing and preparing for transmission any letter, circular, or other publication not issued at regular intervals, containing a statement of the position or views of the candidate or person upon public or other questions, for stationary and postage and for telegraph, telephone and other public messenger service; but all such expenses shall be limited to those which are directly and personally incurred and paid by the candidate."

"1529. Time for filing statements.

1. The times for filing the statements prescribed by section fifteen hundred twenty-eight of this article shall be as follows:

a. A first statement shall be filed on or before the thirtieth day next preceding the election to which it relates.

b. A second statement shall be filed on or before the fifth day next preceding the election to which it relates.

c. A third statement shall be filed within twenty days next succeeding the election to which it relates.

2. Unless otherwise provided, each statement shall cover the period up to and including the day next preceding the day herein specified for the filing thereof; provided, however, that any contribution or loan in excess of one thousand dollars, if received after the close of the period to be covered in the last statement filed before the election but before such election, shall be reported, in the same manner as other contributions, within twenty-four hours after receipt.

3. It shall not be necessary to itemize in any statement the data previously reported in any prior statement but each statement shall include a summary of all expenditures and contributions and other particulars reported in any previous statements.

4. A statement shall be deemed properly filed when deposited in an established post office within the prescribed time, duly stamped, registered and directed to the clerk of the school district in which he is a candidate and to the commissioner of education, but in the event it is not received, a duplicate of such statement shall be promptly filed upon notice by the school district administrative officer and/or the commissioner of its non-receipt. Each statement shall be preserved for a period of three years from the date of filing thereof and it shall constitute a part of the public records and shall be open to public inspection."

To meet the requirements for filing with the Commissioner of Education and the Clerk of the Board of Education, statements should be sent to:

Commissioner of Education  
Education Bldg., Rm. 111  
89 Washington Avenue  
Albany, New York 12234

Lorrie Schell, District Clerk  
Greater Amsterdam School District  
140 Saratoga Avenue  
Amsterdam, New York 12010



**GREATER AMSTERDAM SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Statement of Campaign Expenditures and Contributions  
Article 32, Sections 1528 to 1531 of the Education Law**

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**FILE STATEMENT WITH:**

(All Candidates)

Greater Amsterdam School District  
ATTN: District Clerk, Board of Education  
PO Box 309  
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(Candidates whose expenditures & contributions exceed \$500)

NYS Education Dept. Commissioner  
ATTN: Mary Ellen Clark  
876 EBA  
Albany, NY 12234

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duly sworn, depose and say,

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(Candidate's Signature)
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(Candidate's Signature)
3. That expenditures made by me or in my behalf exceeded \$500 and I have attached hereto an itemized statement of such expenditures as required by law. \_\_\_\_\_  
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(Notary Public or Commissioner of Deeds)

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