

Joint County Voters' Pamphlet Candidate Statement

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Filing Information

Election Date: May 18, 2021 Amended Statement

Name of Candidate (as it should appear on the ballot):
Blake Petersen

Filing for the Office of (complete what's applicable): Gresham-Barlow School Board

District/Position: Position 5, Zone 4

"This information furnished by" (Required: Name of Candidate or Committee as it should appear in the Voters' Pamphlet):

Blake Petersen

Contact Information:

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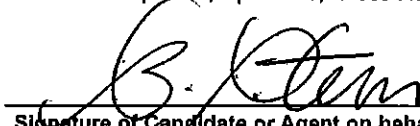
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Note: Language which violates any provision of ORS 251.415 will be excluded from the Voters' Pamphlet

By signing this document, I hereby state:

- That all information provided by me on this form and in this 'Candidate Statement' is true to the best of my knowledge;
- I am the author of this 'Candidate Statement' (ORS 251.415);
- I have read and understand the instructions for submitting this 'Candidate Statement'; and
- The portrait, if provided, is less than four (4) years old.

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Signature of Candidate or Agent on behalf of Candidate

3/21/2021
Date Signed

(If applicable) Printed name of Agent

Phone number

For Office Use Only:

County: Mult
Cash-receipt #: 24678
Check #: 2094
Amount \$: 25.00
Intake Staff Initials: HB

Required info? Yes No
Optional info? Yes No
Signed? Yes No
Endorsements? Yes # 9 No
Portrait? Yes No
Print? # _____
Providing digital copy? Yes No
Received digital copy? Yes No
 None

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Voter Statement for Blake Petersen, for Gresham-Barlow School Board Position 5, Zone 4*

Required Information:*

Occupation:*

Management Analyst, City of Gresham

Occupational Background:*

Executive Director, Good News Community Health Center

Captain, US Army

Educational Background:*

Sam Barlow High School

United States Military Academy – West Point

Prior Governmental Experience:*

Gresham-Barlow School Board, 2017 – Present

Statement:*

As dad to four kids and foster dad to three more, I understand what this past year has meant to our students and families.

Our success from this moment will demand clarity, urgency, and leadership. I know the challenge of leading in confusing times.

I am a West Point graduate, combat veteran, experienced non-profit and public servant, and—for four years—have had the privilege of serving our community on the Gresham-Barlow board.

I am incredibly proud of the community I have called home since I was born and committed to its prosperity. It has been my honor to lead our schools in these hard times to deliver results that we can be proud of:

- Historically high graduation rates at our high schools
- \$340 million of new infrastructure completed ahead of schedule, under budget, and accountable to every voter promise from the 2016 bond
- Expanding career and technical education opportunities for students
- Elementary dual-language immersion programs active and increasing
- Principled financial management resulting in no staff cuts despite rising pension rates
- The safe return of our educators to their classrooms and our kids to their schools

These results and the ones we will celebrate together on the hard road ahead demand more than ideas.

I am a GBSD dad offering a critical parent's perspective; I am a tested and proven servant-leader; and I am ready and willing to take on our challenges for the sake of our students. We are on the rise. Let's rise TOGETHER. I appreciate your vote.

Partial list of endorsements:

Stand for Children

Karylinn Echols, Former Gresham Mayor

David Widmark, Former Gresham City Councilor

Sue Piazza, Gresham City Councilor

Kris Howatt, GBSD Board

Matt O'Connell, GBSD Board

Bess Wills

Vicki Moen

Mike Riegelmann

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