

WEST ORANGE-COVE CISD
ORDER OF ELECTION

A Resolution ordering an election for the purpose of electing three Board Trustee members; providing for the early voting date, hours, early voting clerk; providing for polling places, judges and pay; providing for entering into a contract with the Orange County Election Administrator to help conduct our election; providing for the use of the ES & S Automark Voters Assist Terminal to comply with state and federal laws setting requirements for voting systems that permit voters with physical disabilities to cast a secret ballot; providing for joint election with other entities; providing for other matters relating to the district election; and finding and determining that the meeting at which this resolution is passed is open to the public as required by law.

Be it resolved by the West Orange-Cove School Board members:

In accordance with the Texas Education Code, the laws of the State of Texas and the policy of the West Orange-Cove CISD, there shall be held in the West Orange-Cove CISD on the 12th day of May, an election for the purpose of electing three Board Trustee members.

Per the requirements of the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) the West Orange-Cove School Board shall adopt for use in early voting and election day voting, the ES & S Automark Voter Assist Terminal. One machine per polling place is required and will be leased from Orange County and overseen by the Election Administrator. It is recommended that the District enter into an Election Services Contract with the Orange County Election Administrator to assist with the Trustee Election. (See attached Orange County Election Services Contract and Automark Contract)

Effective with the beginning of the 2006-07 school year, school district trustee elections must be held as joint elections, either with municipalities or counties. (See Texas Education Code 11.0581) In even numbered years the joint election agreement will be executed by the participating Cities, School Districts, Port District and Drainage District. In odd numbered years the agreement shall be executed by the participating Cities and School Districts only, unless the Port District or Drainage District shall have a special election on the May uniform election date. (See attached Joint Election Agreement Contract)

Early voting shall be conducted by the early voting clerk, namely Donna Howland, and the place at which the early voting shall be conducted is designated as the Orange Public Library Inside Meeting Room, 220 N. 5th Street, Orange, TX 77630. Ballot applications to be voted by mail are to be sent to the office of the Elections Administrator, Tina Leverett, 123 S. 6th Street, Orange, TX. 77630. The deadline for receiving ballot by mail applications is the close of business on May 4, 2007. The early voting polling place shall be open Monday through Friday, April 30, 2007 through May 8, 2007 8:30 am until 4:30 pm. On Tuesday, May 1 and Tuesday, May 8 early voting will be conducted from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm.

Due to the closing of Bancroft Elementary, the polling site for precincts 8, 13, 14, and 15 will be at the Orange Fire Department Substation #3, 1717 MLK Drive, pending approval of the Board.

