



Santa Cruz County
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Recall Election Information

A recall election is a process whereby the qualified electors of a school district may force a seated governing board member to stand for election prior to completing the full length of his/her term in office.

Santa Cruz County School District Recall Elections

The process requires that a number of qualified electors residing within the school district demand his/her recall. Every public officer holding an elective office, either by election or appointment is subject to recall from such office by the qualified electors of the district from which candidates are elected to that office.

The process requires that a number of qualified electors residing within the school district demand the governing board member's recall. Recall Signature requirements are based on 25% of the number of votes cast at the last preceding General Election for all the candidates for the office held by the officer, even if the officer was not elected at that election, divided by the number of offices that were being filled at the election ([A.R.S. § 19-201](#)).

A public officer must have held office for 6 months before a recall petition can be filed against him/her. The 6-month wait only applies to the first term of office if the governing board member is elected to more than one term ([A.R.S. § 19-202](#)).

Please contact the [Santa Cruz County School Superintendent's Office](#) for more information on recall elections.

Additional information on *Initiative, Referendum and Recall*, please visit the [Arizona Secretary of State's Office](#).