



## Milk Marketing Board Nomination Period Closes April 1

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MADISON – Milk producers who are eligible and interested in running for a Wisconsin Milk Marketing Board (WMMB) director seat have until April 1, 2017, to submit a nomination form to the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection. To qualify, a nominee must be an active dairy producer who: 1) lives in a district up for election, and 2) sells milk into commercial channels.

### Nine Districts up for Election

District 1	Ashland, Bayfield, Burnett, Douglas, Iron, Rusk, Sawyer, Washburn counties
District 4	Barron and Polk counties
District 7	Clark County
District 10	Brown, Door and Kewaunee counties
District 13	Buffalo, Pierce and Pepin counties
District 16	Fond du Lac, Green Lake and Marquette counties
District 19	Columbia and Dodge counties
District 22	Grant County
District 25	Green, Rock and Walworth counties

WMMB directors guide the organization's finances, formulate and set its policies and long-range business plan and maintain its mission: *To help grow demand for Wisconsin milk by providing programs that enhance the competitiveness of the Wisconsin Dairy Industry.* Through these initiatives, a WMMB director has the opportunity to represent Wisconsin dairy producers and products, as well as become involved in activities that inform and educate consumers about the dairy industry and its economic impact.

Potential candidates must submit a completed nomination form and have the “Affidavit of Eligibility” (on the nomination form) notarized. In addition, nominees must acquire at least five signatures from active dairy producers who reside in the same election district.

After DATCP certifies the nominations, the department will announce the candidates and hold a mail-in ballot election May 2-25, with results announced the end of May. Elected directors will then serve a three-year term, July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2020.

Election information and the nomination form are available online at [www.wmmb.com/elections](http://www.wmmb.com/elections), or for a hard copy, contact Debbie Gegare, Market Orders Program Coordinator at (608) 224-5116.

DATCP administers elections for Wisconsin commodity marketing boards. To learn more about market order boards, visit [https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/About Us/MarketingBoards.aspx](https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/About_Us/MarketingBoards.aspx)