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Broadcast dates and deadlines announced for "RALLY 2018" candidate forums
WSRE and local Leagues of Women Voters strive to give voters an unbiased look at candidates



Pensacola, Fla., May 17, 2018 — WSRE's "RALLY 2018" candidate forums for upcoming primary and general elections in Escambia, Santa Rosa and Okaloosa counties have been scheduled for Aug. 20-22 and Oct. 29-30, respectively. Each broadcast will air live on WSRE, starting at 7 p.m.

Races will include U.S. Congressional District 1; Florida Senate District 2; Florida House Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4; County Commissioner Districts 2 and 4 (Escambia, Santa Rosa and Okaloosa); School Board Districts 1, 2 and 3 (Escambia); School Board Districts 1, 2 and 5 (Santa Rosa and Okaloosa); and City of Pensacola Mayor.

To participate, individuals running for these offices must demonstrate that they satisfy the candidate forum criteria posted online at wsre.org/RALLY. Candidates must demonstrate satisfaction of the criteria by emailing Kasey Jones at wsreadmin@wsre.org on or before the following deadlines: 5 p.m. CST on Friday, Aug. 12 for the primary election broadcast; 5 p.m. CST on Friday, Oct. 12 for the general election broadcast.

"RALLY 2018" is produced by WSRE in cooperation with the League of Women Voters of Okaloosa & Walton Counties and the League of Women Voters Pensacola Bay Area to give viewers an unbiased look at the candidates running for public office and an opportunity to hear their responses to questions on current issues. Mollye Barrows is producer of "RALLY 2018" and will co-host the programs with WUWF's Sandra Averhart.

An election cycle tradition in Northwest Florida, "RALLY" candidate forums have been provided as a public service of WSRE since the 1970s. Visit wsre.org/RALLY to learn more.

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