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5 candidates vying today for Sixth Suffolk seat in state House

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Voters from parts of Jamaica Plain four other Boston neighborhoods will choose from five potential candidates today to become the next state representative from the Sixth Suffolk District.

Since no Republican candidates are challenging in the district, the winner of today whoever wins the Democratic primary will a lock on the seat left vacant by Democrat Willie Mae Allen of Roxbury, who is stepping down.

Constituents from parts of Dorchester, Mattapan and Hyde Park and from small sections of Jamaica Plain and Roslindale will choose from (in alphabetical order):

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The Sixth Suffolk District consists of precincts 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 of ward 14, precincts 7, 8, 10 and 11 of ward 17, and precincts 7, 8 and 15 of ward 18, and precincts 11, 12 and 13 of ward 19.

Polls are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Check out the [Globe's 2010 voter's guide](#) to determine who is on your ballot and where to vote.

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