

Evers to formally announce gov bid Wednesday

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DPI Superintendent Tony Evers will formally announce his bid for gov on Wednesday, according to an email his campaign sent to supporters that was shared with WisPolitics.com.

According to the email, Evers will get into the race “because we need a real change here in Wisconsin. That change starts with putting our kids first, investing in our schools, and rebuilding Wisconsin’s middle class.”

The email asked recipients to spread the word about a Fitchburg event by sharing the email. But it asked recipients not to post anything on social media until Wednesday, when Evers will make his announcement at the McKee Farms Kids Crossing Dream Park. The email was sent by Jeff Pertl, a senior policy adviser to Evers at DPI, from a private email account.

Evers filed for gov in early August, but said the change in his campaign registration was part of exploring whether he should run. He will join the likes of Milwaukee businessman Andy Gronik, state Rep. Dana Wachs, Cross Plains businesswoman Michele Doolan and Bob Harlow, who ran unsuccessfully for Congress in California last year, as Dems who have formally announced plans to run. At least a half-dozen other Dems are considering a bid.

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