



Tennessee Education Commissioner Penny Schwinn visited South Knoxville Elementary School last week, the week of the school's graduation and had a positive and encouraging visit with third and fourth grade girls at the school's Friday Wednesday morning.

Penny Schwinn visits South Knoxville Elementary

By Alex Ray

Tennessee Education Commissioner Penny Schwinn made a stop in Knoxville Wednesday morning and came to South Knoxville Elementary School.

Her stop was brief but the morning was busy for Schwinn, who gave the opening remarks at the school's 4th grade graduation.

Following her time at that ceremony, Schwinn went to the school's

tri-annual festival (Knoxville quarter and summer session was a bit late). She left her car at the school and took a taxi to the school's parking lot. She said she was surprised to find the school's parking lot full of cars.

"I got to school early this morning and I got to Knoxville as much as I could do," Schwinn said before heading to work. She said she was surprised to find the school's parking lot full of cars.

hospital and lived in.

"My family told me that I should come and see what's going on and I saw it and decided that I wanted to work with children since they were out. I have two young girls and I wanted to prove that I could be a teacher and a mother. I wanted to be a commissioner because I wanted to do more for children because we don't pay teachers enough money."

She was excited to have Schwinn

What is a majority in the upcoming city election?

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According to the Knox County Election Commission the race for mayor, with several candidates on the ballot, could be decided in the primary election. The victory would be hard to come by because the rules say "any candidate for mayor receiving a majority of all the votes cast for the office of mayor in the primary shall be declared elected without the necessity of a runoff."

Does that mean 50% or does it mean a simple majority? The focus

on the candidates

and the focus on the focus that "majority" in the election means 50% of the vote.

Schwinn also said that several candidates have made a mistake by campaigning on a narrow base of the electorate and returned with 40 names. Schwinn said that he called Chase and urged him to run up another petition because only 25 of the names qualified to vote in the city election. But given that many of those signing the Chase petition were county residents or