



2026 REGIONAL ELECTION GUIDE

As our region continues to navigate a rapidly evolving economic and political landscape, strong leadership and collaboration at every level of government have never been more important. The challenges ahead will require elected officials who are willing to move beyond partisan labels and work together to advance practical, forward-thinking solutions that strengthen our communities and regional economy.

In this **2026 Regional Election Guide**, we provide helpful information on voting, offices up for election, and any ballot proposals that may appear before voters. This guide also outlines the candidates endorsed by the Lansing Regional Chamber-Political Action Committee (LRC-PAC) and encourages you to learn more about each individual and their positions on issues important to the business community and the Greater Lansing region.

This guide covers elections taking place across the Greater Lansing area, including Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham counties.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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2026 Elections in the Greater Lansing Region



IMPORTANT ELECTION DATES

- ✓ **May 5, 2026:** Special Election
- ✓ **August 4, 2026:** Primary Election
- ✓ **November 3, 2026:** General Election

Visit the Michigan Voter Information Center to view a sample ballot and confirm your polling location: mivic.sos.state.mi.us

WHO IS ON THE BALLOT IN 2026

While the specific names of individuals – especially in state and local elections – vary by district, the following offices are up for election in 2026:

FEDERAL

- ✓ U.S. Senate
- ✓ 7th Congressional District

STATE

- ✓ Governor & Lieutenant Governor
- ✓ Secretary of State
- ✓ Attorney General
- ✓ State Senate
- ✓ State House of Representatives
- ✓ Michigan Supreme Court (two seats)

LOCAL

- ✓ Delta Township Supervisor
- ✓ Lansing Community College Board of Trustees
- ✓ School Boards

BALLOT PROPOSALS

Ballot proposals may appear on **each of the 2026 election dates** listed above. Voters are encouraged to review the section of this guide dedicated to ballot proposals for additional details and analysis.

Ballot Proposals Special Election



This section of the 2026 Regional Election Guide will be updated throughout the year as potential ballot proposals are finalized for the **Special, Primary, and General Elections**. Voters are encouraged to review this section regularly for the most current information on proposals that may impact their community and region.

MAY 5, 2026

✓ Clinton County

Carson City-Crystal Area Schools Operating Millage Proposal

(For some voters in Clinton County)

This proposal will allow the school district to continue to levy the statutory rate of not to exceed 18 mills on all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, required for the school district to receive its full revenue per pupil foundation allowance and restores millage lost as a result of the reduction required by the Michigan Constitution of 1963.

✓ Eaton County

Ingham Intermediate School District Special Education Bond Proposal

(For some voters in Eaton County)

A bond proposal to support special education facilities and infrastructure within the Ingham Intermediate School District.

Grand Ledge Area Emergency Services Authority Bond Proposal

Authorizes the Authority to borrow up to \$22.59 million to construct and equip two new fire stations and purchase fire apparatus and related site improvements.

- Estimated 2026 millage: 3.04 mills (\$3.04 per \$1,000 of taxable value)
- Estimated average annual millage: 2.74 mills
- Bond term: up to 20 years

Ballot Proposals Special Election



✓ Ingham County

Ingham Intermediate School District Special Education Bond Proposal

Authorizes the district to borrow up to \$99.96 million to construct and improve center-based special education facilities, update instructional technology, and enhance related sites and infrastructure.

- Estimated 2026 millage: 0.55 mills (\$0.55 per \$1,000 of taxable value)
- Estimated average annual millage: 0.45 mills
- Bond term: up to 20 years

Morrice Area Schools Operating Millage Proposal

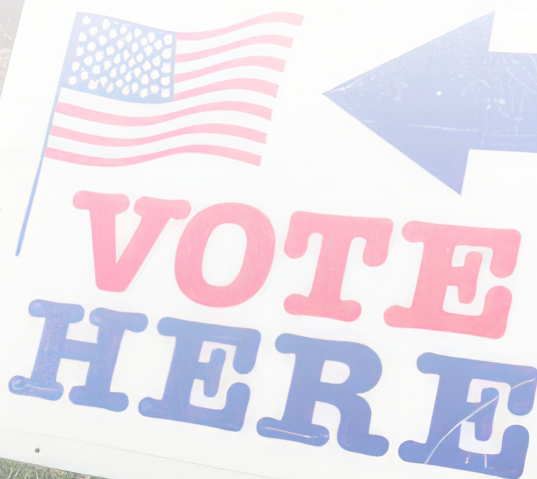
(For some voters in Ingham County)

Allows the school district to continue levying up to 18 mills on non-homestead and other non-exempt properties to maintain eligibility for the state per-pupil foundation allowance.

Stockbridge Area Emergency Services Authority Fire Protection and EMS Millage Increase

Proposes an increase of up to 2.5 mills (\$2.50 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for five years (2026–2030) to fund fire protection and emergency medical services.

- Estimated revenue in 2026: \$1.65 million



Register to Vote



The Michigan Voter Information Center provides a simple process to register to vote. You can register to vote through Election Day.

Register Here

Ways to apply for an absent voter ballot application

- ✓ Online – Registered voters can request an absentee ballot online through the ***absentee voter request form***
- ✓ Call your ***clerk's office*** and ask that an application be mailed to you
- ✓ Download an application to return by mail or in person to your local ***clerk's office***
- ✓ In person at your local city or township ***clerk's office***

WAYS TO COMPLETE YOUR ABSENT VOTER BALLOT

Your completed absentee ballot should be received by your city or township clerk by 8 p.m. on Election Day. You can submit by mail, or by hand-delivering the ballot to your clerk's office or their drop box. If you are returning your ballot within two weeks of election day, we recommend hand-delivering your ballot to avoid possible postal delays.

Begin the process early by mailing in your application for an absentee ballot as soon as possible. Applications can be submitted up to 75 days before an election.

All registered voters can track their ballot by looking up their information in the ***voter information section of this website.***

EARLY VOTING IN MICHIGAN

Michigan voters have the right to cast a ballot early and in person at an early voting site before Election Day.

FIND YOUR POLLING LOCATION

Not sure where your polling location is or who your city or county clerk are? ***Michigan.gov/Vote*** can help you find that answer. Some jurisdictions provide a sample ballot so you can know who – and what – you're voting on before you head to the polls or complete your absentee ballot.

2026 LRC-PAC Endorsed Candidates



The Lansing Regional Chamber-Political Action Committee (LRC-PAC) is the political action arm of the Lansing Regional Chamber of Commerce (LRCC), representing more than 1,000 businesses across the tri-county region. The objective of LRC-PAC is to endorse candidates who support a strong, competitive, and predictable business climate and who are committed to growing our regional economy, creating jobs, and positioning Greater Lansing for long-term success.

LRC-PAC will announce additional endorsements throughout the 2026 election cycle. The endorsement process includes a review of a candidate's past performance, completion of a written questionnaire, and, in some cases, an in-person interview. Candidates may only be endorsed and considered for financial support after this process is completed and the LRC-PAC Board of Directors has formally voted. Please note that the LRC-PAC is a separate entity from the LRCC. No membership dues are used for political purposes.

Learn more about the LRC-PAC here: lansingchamber.org/lrc-pac

THE 2026 LRC-PAC ENDORSED CANDIDATES

Please continue to visit this page for updated endorsed candidates

- ✓ Governor
 - Mike Duggan

The Lansing Regional Chamber-PAC
**Endorsed Candidate
for Michigan
Governor, 2026**

MIKE DUGGAN

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