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KEY DATES FOR 2025 SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS

☐ Monday, Aug. 25, 2025

First Day for Candidate Filing: First day to file nomination papers with the board secretary.

☐ Thursday, Sept. 18, 2025

Candidate Filing Deadline: Last day to file nomination papers with the board secretary. Deadline is 5 p.m.

☐ Tuesday, Sept. 23, 2025

Candidate Withdrawal Deadline: Last day for candidates to withdraw by filing a written request with the school secretary. Deadline is 5 p.m.

☐ Tuesday, Nov. 4, 2025

School Election Day: Polls are open from 7 a.m.–8 p.m.

☐ Monday, Nov. 10 or Wednesday, Nov. 12, 2025

Tier 1 Canvass of Votes: First Monday or Wednesday after the election, unless these dates fall on a legal holiday, then it pushes back one day. This is the only and final election canvass for school districts located within one county.

☐ Monday, Nov. 17 or Wednesday, Nov. 19, 2025

Tier 2 Canvass of Votes: Second Monday or Wednesday after the election, unless these dates fall on a legal holiday, then it pushes back one day. This is the election canvass for school districts that span more than one county, and is the second and final election canvass for those districts.

☐ Dates Vary

Organizational Meeting: No date is legally specified for the organizational meeting. It is the first regular meeting or a special meeting held before the first regular meeting following the final canvass. During this meeting, the board organizes for the new term.



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