



North Idaho College

Board of Trustees 2026 Election

Election Filing Deadline: August 28, 2026 by 5:00 pm

The following Trustee zones are up for election in the November 3, 2026 General Election:

Trustee, Zone 1	Four Year Term, through November, 2030 Position currently held by Tarie Zimmerman
Trustee, Zone 2	Four Year Term, through November, 2030 Position currently held by Brad Corkill

North Idaho College Board of Trustee candidates must reside within their respective district in order to be eligible to run for election. You may verify your district on the zone jurisdiction map located online at <https://www.nic.edu/board/district-trustee-zones/>.

Filing Instructions for North Idaho College Trustee Candidates:

1. The North Idaho College Trustee Candidate filing window for the November 3rd General Election begins Monday, August 17th, at 8:00 am and closes Friday, August 28th, at 5:00 pm.
2. If your campaign finance contributions or expenditures exceed \$500, you must create a campaign finance account with the Idaho Secretary of State. Visit <https://sunshine.voteidaho.gov/login> for more information.
3. New this year, the Secretary of State's office created an online candidate filing system. Candidates will need to file their Declaration of Candidacy online at <https://run.voteidaho.gov/>. Step-by-step North Idaho College Trustee Candidate Filing Instructions are available online with this notice.
4. After completing the required documentation, the Kootenai County Elections Office will review and certify your Petition of Candidacy. More information about elections in Kootenai County may be found at <https://www.kcgov.us/31/Elections>.

Contact Information:

North Idaho College District Clerk of Elections

Sarah Garcia, Vice President for Finance and Business Affairs
Lee-Kildow Hall, Room 114, 471 N. College Drive, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83814
Phone: (208) 769-3340; Email: april.ellin@nic.edu

Kootenai County Elections Office

1808 N. 3rd Street, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83814
Phone: (208) 446-1030; Fax: (208) 446-2184; Email: kcelections@kcgov.us

North Idaho College Trustee Candidate Filing Instructions

Filing begins August 17th at 8am and closes August 28th at 5pm



Step 1: Complete your Declaration of Candidacy Online

Visit [VoteIdaho.gov](https://run.voteidaho.gov) to file a Declaration of Candidacy for the office for which you desire to run.
(Scan QR code above or use the following link <https://run.voteidaho.gov>)

- Search for your voter record (name must match your voter registration) and select your record
- Ensure that the residence address on file is current
- From the District Type drop down select Local, from the Office drop down select Community College, then from the Community College Districts drop down select North Idaho College, next select the Zone you are filing for from the County Sub District drop down, finally select Next to proceed – *To verify the Zone you reside in visit the North Idaho College website <https://www.nic.edu/board/district-trustee-zones/> *
- Review the Qualifications to run for Office and determine if you are eligible, certify by checking the box. Choose Submit Petition Signatures as your Filing Option and select Next
- Complete the required Personal Information, including Ballot Name, Phone Number, and Email
- Review the residential address that has auto-populated from your voter record (If this is not the correct residential address, you will need to re-register at [VoteIdaho.gov](https://run.voteidaho.gov) prior to continuing to file for candidacy)
- Enter your Mailing Address if different than the Registered Address
- Work through the Homeowner's Exemption information, completing all the required information regarding any Homeowner's Exemption that has been claimed
- Complete the Campaign Finance question
- Review your information, complete the required certifications, and sign the form electronically

Step 2: Circulate the Petition For Candidacy and submit to the Elections Department

- Fill out sections 1 & 2 before circulating your petition.
- Petitions must have 5 valid signatures of current registered voters that reside within the Zone
- Have the Petition Notarized and submit to the Elections Department

Step 3: Await Review

All filings are reviewed by the Elections Dept for accuracy and filing requirements

- When the review process is complete, filings will be updated to an Approved status
- The office will contact you with any issues utilizing the contact info provided on your filing



SPECIAL DISTRICT OFFICE CANDIDATE FILING INFORMATION

Use this form to declare
your candidacy for special
district office in Idaho.

Filing Dates and Deadlines

You must submit your complete declaration of candidacy plus the petitions by 5:00 pm (local time) on the last day of the candidate filing period. (§34-1404, Idaho Code)

All deadlines are at 5:00 pm (local time).

Candidate Filing Periods:

Primary Election: March 2 — 13, 2026

General Election: August 17 — 28, 2026

Withdrawal Deadline

September 4, 2026

Filing Options

Candidates must submit the required number of signatures to qualify for the General Election ballot:

County Offices: 5 valid signatures within the zone, district, or political subdivision

Completing the Declaration of Candidacy

When completing the Declaration of Candidacy, be sure to complete all fields and questions. Any incomplete or missing information may void your filing.

Section 1: Office Information

Enter one of the following special district offices:

- Airport Districts
- Community College
- Port Districts
- Soil Conservation Districts

Section 2: Candidate Information

When entering your Ballot Name, the following will NOT be allowed on the ballot:

- Nicknames that promote a particular political platform or are deemed offensive.
- Professional or military identifiers such as Dr., M.D., PhD., Esq., CPA, Captain, General, etc.

A phone number and email address are both required and will become publicly available upon request.

Section 3: Registered Address

- This MUST be a physical address. P.O. Boxes will not be accepted.
- If your registered address is the same as your mailing address, check the box at the bottom of this section and skip section 4.

Section 4: Mailing Address

- P.O. Boxes are acceptable.
- If your mailing address is the same as your registered address, check the box at the bottom of section 3 and leave this section blank.

Section 5: Homeowner's Exemption

If you or your spouse have claimed a Homeowner's exemption, list the address in this section.

Section 6: Campaign Finance

If your campaign finance contributions or expenditures exceed \$500, you MUST create a campaign finance account with the Idaho Secretary of State.

Visit sunshine.voteidaho.gov for more information.

FILE ONLINE INSTEAD

Try our new online candidate filing system where you can

- file for office
- track your filing status
- search filed candidates

Simply scan the QR code with your phone camera or visit the website at:

voteidaho.gov



Scan Here To Start
Your Filing Online!



PETITION FOR CANDIDACY SPECIAL DISTRICT OFFICE

Candidate Filing Deadline:

August 28, 2026

Office name

1

Filing for the office of _____

District name _____

Sub-district, zone, seat or position (if applicable) _____

Candidate name

2

Ballot name _____

NOTE: Enter the candidate's name as it will appear on the ballot.

Petition signatures

3

I, the undersigned, being a qualified elector of _____ County in the State of Idaho, do hereby certify and declare that I reside at the place set opposite my name, and that I join in the petition of the candidate for the office listed above to appear on the election ballot for which they qualify, and that each for himself says: I have personally signed this petition; I am a qualified elector of the zone, district, or political subdivision listed above and the State of Idaho and my residence address is correctly written after my name.

	Signature of Petitioner	Printed Name	Residence Address	Date Signed
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2.				
3.				
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9.				
10.				

Circulator Signature

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I, _____, being first duly sworn say: That I am a resident of the State of Idaho and at least eighteen (18) years of age; that every person who signed this sheet of the foregoing petition signed his or her name thereto in my presence; I believe that each has stated his or her name, address and residence correctly, that each signer is a qualified elector of the State of Idaho, and a resident of the county of _____.

Circulator, sign and date here (Required)

X

Date (mm/dd/yyyy) ____ / ____ / ____

Notary Use Only

State of Idaho

County of _____

This record was signed before me on _____

by _____
Print name of signer(s)

Notary Signature _____

Notary Printed Name _____

My Commission Expires _____

Place Notary Seal Above

WHERE TO BEGIN

✓ Treasurer Appointment & Reporting



Once a candidate has raised or spent \$500, a candidate must create a campaign finance account and

begin reporting the campaign finances, including the sources and expenses for the first \$500.

The Declaration of Candidacy filed to run for office designates the candidate as the default political treasurer, for those who have not met the \$500 threshold, until an alternate is appointed.

FILING DEADLINES

10TH of each month in the year of the election

Annual report due January 10th following non-election years

\$50 FINE

each day after 48 hours late

Campaign Finance Laws
I.C. Title 67 Chapter 66

✓ Disclosures



All campaign material (signs, flyers, mailings, TV ads, etc.) require a disclosure statement.

For example: "Paid for by [candidate's name]."



COUNTY, CITY & LOCAL OFFICIALS

CAMPAIGN FINANCE

A GUIDE FOR CANDIDATES

REPORTING BASICS

All money raised or spent in relation to a campaign must be accounted for and tracked. This includes the use of the candidate's personal money.

✓ Where to Report

All candidates for all offices now report online via the Secretary of State's Campaign Finance Portal. The portal may be found at:



sunshine.voteidaho.gov

For local officials, all assistance, oversight and enforcement will be done by the County Clerk of the home county for the city, school or local district.



Remember: no one was ever fined for over-reporting

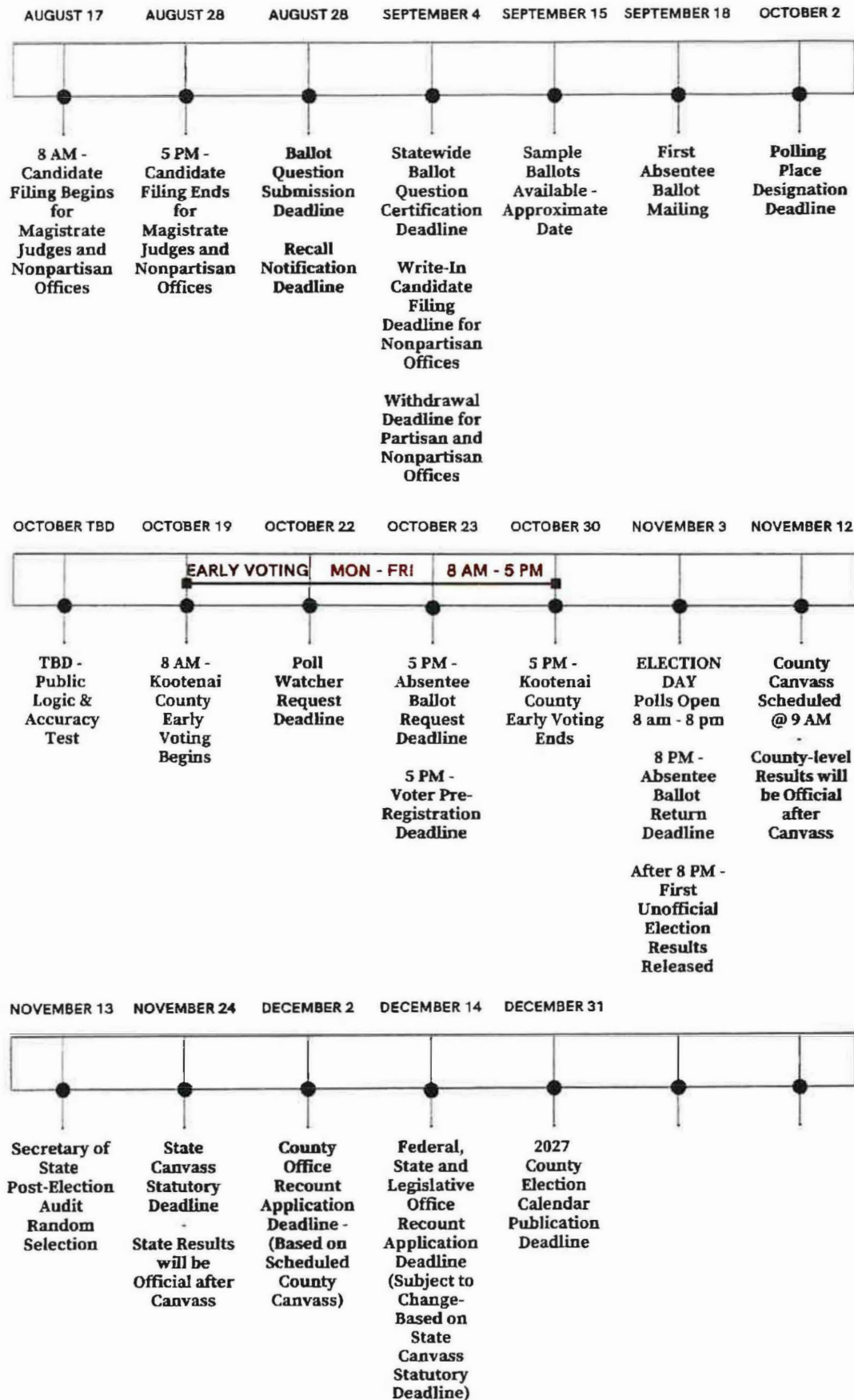
✓ Donation Limits

Maximum contribution is \$1,000 per individual, business* or political committee per election. Any single contribution of \$1,000 must be reported within **48 hours** of receipt.

*Businesses sharing controlling ownership may only contribute \$1,000 combined.



NOVEMBER 3RD GENERAL ELECTION TIMELINE



KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO
2026 ELECTION CALENDAR
Pursuant to Idaho Code 34-1405

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That the following taxing districts will be conducting candidate and/or special elections in Kootenai County during the 2026 calendar year:

Name and Address of Taxing District	Election Date	Declaration of Candidacy Filing Period
Primary Election Secretary of State's Office 700 W. Jefferson St. PO Box 83720 Boise, ID 83720	May 19, 2026	Federal, State, Legislative and Judicial Offices: February 23 at 8am through February 27 at 5pm
Kootenai County Elections Office 1808 N. 3 rd St. Coeur d'Alene, ID 83814	May 19, 2026	County Offices and Precinct Committeemen: March 2 at 8am through March 13 at 5pm
General Election	November 3, 2026	Nominated at the Primary Election, or filed as an independent candidate by March 13 at 5pm
Kootenai-Shoshone Soil & Water Conservation District 7830 N. Meadowlark Way Suite C-1 Coeur d'Alene, ID 83815	November 3, 2026	August 17 at 8am through August 28 at 5pm
North Idaho College Lee-Kildow Hall, Rm 111 1000 W. Garden Ave. Coeur d'Alene, ID 83814	November 3, 2026	August 17 at 8am through August 28 at 5pm

Declaration of Candidacy forms are available at the respective taxing district offices listed above or at the Kootenai County Elections Office. Petitions are to be certified by the Elections Office before Declarations can be filed with the office of the Taxing District.

For questions, please call Kootenai County Elections (208) 446-1030.

Taxing districts may hold such elections on May 19 and November 3. Recall elections for any political subdivision may also be held on these dates.

Dated this 31st day of December 2025.

Jennifer Locke
Kootenai County Clerk