

NOTICE OF ELECTION
April 7, 2026 Municipal Election
Newton County, Missouri

In accordance with Chapter 115 of the laws of Missouri notice is hereby given that an election will be held for Newton County on Tuesday, April 7, 2026, at which time all registered voters residing within the said district will be given the opportunity to vote between 6 AM and 7 PM.

CLIFF VILLAGE

TRUSTEES

Vote for 3 – Two (2) year terms

Kimberly A. Bell

Biff A. Bell

James M. Stuart

CITY OF DIAMOND

EAST WARD-Vote for 1-Two (2) year term

Amy R. Thomlinson

WEST WARD-Vote for 1-Two (2) year term

James Suits

Jana Grube

Daryl Foster

CITY OF FAIRVIEW

MAYOR

Vote for 1 – Two (2) year term

Jeffrey Humphrey

Ana Vang

SOUTH WARD

Vote for 1- Two (2) year term

Deborah Price Billings

NORTH WARD

Vote for 1-Two (2) year term

Rena Jo Gortney

Debbie Lewis

CITY OF GRANBY

EAST WARD ALDERMAN

Vote for 1 – Two (2) year term

Mark Shaw

WEST WARD ALDERMAN

Vote for 1 – Two (2) year term

Ira Hawkins

CITY OF JOPLIN

**COUNCIL MEMBER ZONE I
(VOTE FOR ONE)**

Rob O'Brian

**COUNCIL MEMBER ZONE IV
(VOTE FOR ONE)**

Eli Moran

**GENERAL COUNCIL MEMBER – 4 YEAR TERM
(VOTE FOR THREE)**

Josh DeTar
Natasha Klue-Michael
Brian Joseph Cowles, Sr.
Mary A. Price
Jamie Hammond
Mathew Wolsey

PROPOSITION "POLICE & FIRE"

"Shall the City of Joplin impose a citywide sales tax, as authorized by Section 94.900 RSMo., at a rate of one-half of one percent (1/2 percent) solely for the purpose of improving the public safety of the City, said sales tax to replace upon its expiration the general sales tax previously approved by the voters of the City on November 5, 2019, to provide revenues to close the Police and Fire Pension Plan to new hires and migrate new hires to the Missouri Local Government Employees Retirement System?"

YES

NO

OFFICIAL BALLOT

"Shall Section 2.12 of the Charter of the City of Joplin, Missouri, be amended to change the term "emergency" ordinance to "expedited" ordinance?"

CITY OF JOPLIN CHARTER

Election – Tuesday, April 7, 2026

SHALL THE FOLLOWING BE ADOPTED:

Yes, for Amendment 02.

No, for Amendment 02.

**CITY OF NEOSHO
At Large Council Seat
Vote for 1 – Three (3) year term**

Jake Evans

Ward 2

Vote for 1 – Three (3) year term

Tom Workman

Ward 3

Vote for 1 – Three (3) year term

Julie James Humphrey

REDINGS MILL VILLAGE

Vote for 2 – Two (2) year terms

Dennis Carrier

James B. Tillman

VILLAGE OF RITCHEY

Vote for 2- One (1) year term

Lewis Marion

Carolyn Marion

CITY OF SENECA

Mayor

Vote for 1 -Two (2) year term

Brad Storrs

Councilperson – Ward 1

Vote for 1 – Two (2) year term

Derinda Malone

Councilperson – Ward II

Vote for 1 – Two (2) year term

Ryan Schauer

Michael Lynch

Councilperson – Ward III

Vote for 1 – Two (2) year term

Brian Arwood

VILLAGE OF SHOAL CREEK ESTATES

Vote for 2 – Two (2) year term

Eric Schroeder

Jason Cryer

VILLAGE OF STELLA

Vote for 2- Two (2) year term

Rachael Jones

Teresa Tate

Rex Baxter

JOPLIN SPECIAL ROAD DISTRICT

Vote for 1- Three (3) year term

Miles Jensen

Timothy Gebauer

SENECA SPECIAL ROAD DISTRICT

Vote for 1 – Three (3) year term

Lynn Morehead

Josh Wittmaier

Daniel Eads

CARL JUNCTION R1J SCHOOL BOARD

To choose by ballot three (3) Directors who shall serve as members of the Board of Education of said School District for a term of three (3) years. The oval must be filled in completely.

VOTE FOR THREE

Travis Spencer

Brian M. Massey

Julianna Crow

Rob Herron

DIAMOND R4 SCHOOL BOARD

To choose by ballot three directors who shall serve as a member of the Board of Education of said district for a term of three years.

To Vote, completely fill in the oval next to the candidate's name.

(Vote for three)

ERIC TRANSEAU

DUSTIN VINCENT

BRANDON WEBB

TRISHA BECKETT

CORY BASS

JENNIFER HOWARD

ANDREW JINKS

CHRIS MACY

To choose by ballot one director who shall serve as a member of the Board of Education of said District for a term of two years.

To Vote, completely fill in the oval next to the candidate's name.

(Vote for one)

JULIE PREWITT

Shall the school board of DIAMOND R-IV adopt the provisions of Section 171.028, RSMo, establishing a four-day school week for the next ten years in the district of DIAMOND R-IV.

To Vote, completely fill in the oval next to the selection.

YES

NO

JOPLIN R8 SCHOOL BOARD

PROPOSITION

To choose by ballot three (3) directors who shall serve as members of the Board of Education of said school district for a term of three (3) years.

VOTE FOR THREE

Marda Schroeder
Veronica Gatz Scheurich
Matthew Robertson

QUESTION

Shall Joplin Schools of Jasper & Newton County, Missouri, issue its general obligation bonds in the amount of \$40,000,000 for the purpose of constructing, improving, repairing, remodeling, furnishing and equipping new and existing school facilities, including but not limited to, improvements to Stapleton, Eastmorland, Cecil Floyd, Kelsey Norman, McKinley, Royal Heights, and Jefferson Elementaries, construction of an indoor education & activity facility at Joplin High School and improvements at Junge Campus?

The authorization of the Bonds is expected to result in no tax rate increase, and the District's current debt service tax levy, which is \$0.7616 per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation, is estimated to remain unchanged.

OFFICIAL BALLOT NEOSHO R5 SCHOOL BOARD

VOTE FOR THREE

Jenny Spiva
James Keezer
Kyle Swagerty
Carrie Campbell-Mott

Zac Erisman

**OFFICIAL BALLOT
PIERCE CITY R-VI SCHOOL DISTRICT**

To elect, by ballot, three (3) directors, who shall serve as members of the Board of Education of said District for a term of three (3) years.

BOARD OF EDUCATION
(3-Year Term – Vote for 3)

Joseph Franklin Reber
April Ellis
Lee Jones

**OFFICIAL BALLOT
SPECIAL SCHOOL LEVY ELECTION
PIERCE CITY R-VI SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LAWRENCE COUNTY, MISSOURI**

Proposition EAGLE PRIDE

Shall the Board of Education of the Pierce City R-VI School District, Missouri, be authorized to increase the operating tax levy to \$3.6200 per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation and to Eliminate fully the Proposition C Sales Tax Rollback in its operating levy under Section 164.013 R.S.Mo., as amended, for the purposes of attracting and retaining quality certified and support staff, maintaining and expanding educational programming and facilities, and meeting additional operating expenses?

(If this proposition is approved, the adjusted operating tax levy of the District is estimated to increase by \$0.8700 from \$2.7500, currently to \$3.6200 per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation for the 2026 Tax Year and will be applied to the assessed valuation for each year thereafter.)

YES
NO

**OFFICIAL BALLOT
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF SARCOXIE R-II**

PROPOSITION NO. 1

To choose by ballot three (3) board members who shall serve as members of the Board of Education of said school district for a term of three (3) years each.

(VOTE FOR THREE)

JOSHUA PHILLIPS
CANDI BOWMAN
EUGENE MEYER

QUESTION

Shall the Board of Education of Sarcoxie R-II School District be authorized to increase the operating tax levy

ceiling to \$4.0788 per \$100 of assessed valuation according to the 2026 assessment for the purpose of operating, maintaining and staffing school facilities and funding capital projects of the District?

If this question is approved, the operating tax levy of The District is estimated to increase by \$0.95 per \$100 Of assessed valuation.

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS: If you are in favor of the question, color in the oval "YES". If you are opposed to the question, color in the oval "NO".

YES
NO

WHEATON R-III SCHOOL DISTRICT

To elect, by ballot three (3) directors, who shall serve as members of the Board of said District for a term of three (3) years.

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
(3-Year Term – Vote for 3)**

Josh Kinnaman
Tony Ball
Lewis Royer
Elizabeth Goetz
Nikki Allen
Rodney Allen

EXHIBIT A

NOTICE OF SPECIAL BOND ELECTION

WHEATON R-III SCHOOL DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of the Wheaton R-III School District (the "District"), that the Board of Education of the District has called an election to be held in the District on Tuesday, April 7, 2026, commencing at 6:00 a.m. and closing at 7:00 p.m., on the proposition contained in the following sample ballot:

**OFFICIAL BALLOT
WHEATON R-III SCHOOL DISTRICT**

PROPOSITION CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE

Shall the Board of Education of the Wheaton R-III School District borrow money in the amount of \$2,000,000 for the purpose of acquiring,

constructing, renovating, furnishing and equipping school sites, buildings and related facilities, including infrastructure and safety improvements; and refunding outstanding lease obligations, and issue general obligation bonds for the payment thereof? If this proposition is approved, the debt service levy of the school district is estimated to remain unchanged at \$0.8300 per \$100 assessed valuation.

YES

NO

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS: If you are in favor of the proposition, place an X in the box opposite "YES". If you are opposed to the proposition, place an X in the box opposite "NO."

OFFICIAL BALLOT

"Shall the County of Newton exempt eligible taxpayers from certain tax increases on eligible taxpayers' primary residence above the liability incurred during the initial credit year?"

YES

NO

Done by the order of the Election Authority of Newton County, MO this 27th day of January 2026.
Tami Owens

(SEAL)

Newton County Clerk

By Bretta Bridges
Election Clerk