

# LEGALS

## Primary Election 2026

The Primary Election for 2026 is fast approaching. McLean County has been a Vote-by-Mail County since 2012 with four polling locations and this will continue for the 2026 Primary Election.

Absentee ballot applications have been mailed to all "active" voters in McLean County. A voter is considered "active" if they appear in the initial central voter file and voted in either of the general elections during the two previous election years. If you received an application, you may fill it out and return it to our office. If you did not receive one, you may complete the application below, call the Auditor's Office at (701) 462-8801 to request one by mail, or complete it online at <https://www.mcleancountynd.gov/departments/election-information/vote-by-mail>. By checking all boxes at the top of the application, you will automatically receive your school ballot, the

Primary Election ballot, the General Election ballot in November, and any ballots for special elections held in 2026. Once your application is complete, return it to the McLean County Auditor's Office by mail, by placing it in the secure drop box located at the courthouse's main entrance, or by delivering it in person. Remember to return your voted ballot early by mail, delivering it in person, or drop off in the secure drop box located outside the main entrance of the McLean County Courthouse at 712 5th Avenue in Washburn.

Those who do not check the box for General Election on their application will receive another ballot application around September 16 for the November General Election.

\*\*\* Fill out the application COMPLETELY, be sure to include name, phone number, date of birth, ID used, ID number, residential address, mailing address and signature. \*\*\*

SIGNATURES ON BALLOT ENVELOPE AFFIDAVITS WILL BE COMPARED TO SIGNATURES ON BALLOT APPLICATIONS. If signatures do not appear to match, the ballot could be rejected. If the ballot is rejected, the Auditor's Office will do their best to contact you to provide an opportunity to verify the authenticity of the signatures.

McLean County Polling Locations OPEN from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Election Day

Location Type Address City  
Washburn Memorial Building Vote Center 805 Main Avenue Washburn, ND

Turtle Lake City Hall Vote Center 107 Eggert St. Turtle Lake, ND

Garrison City Auditorium Vote Center 15 Main Street S Garrison, ND

Ralph Wells Community Center Polling Location for Precinct 280402 ONLY 1104 Warrior St. White

Shield, ND

\*\*\* The SECURE DROP BOX located at the main entrance to the McLean County Courthouse will be open 24 hours a day, however it will close on Tuesday, June 9, at 7:00 p.m. \*\*\*

\*\*\*The McLean County Courthouse will be OPEN from 8:00 a.m. through 12:00 p.m. on SATURDAY, May 30, 2026 and SATURDAY, June 6, 2026 for in-person absentee voting and voted ballot drop off. \*\*\*

IMPORTANT CHANGE FOR 2026: TO BE COUNTED, ABSENTEE BALLOTS MUST BE RETURNED BY 7:00 P.M. CST ON JUNE 9, 2026 – POSTMARKED BALLOTS WILL NO LONGER BE ACCEPTED AFTER ELECTION DAY. Return your voted ballot by mail, delivering it in person, or drop off in the secure drop box located outside the main entrance of the McLean County Courthouse at 712 5th Avenue in Washburn.

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### City of Washburn Vacant Board Opening

City of Washburn residents interested in being considered for appointments to various boards have until May 7th, 2026, to submit letters of interest.

A total of 2 positions are currently available. The positions are listed below.

If you would like to be considered for appointment to any of the positions, interested individuals must submit a letter of interest for the position that includes a short background statement. All applicants must be at least 18 years of age and

Special Assessment Board: One 3-year unexpired term.

Library Board: One 3-year expired term.

Letters of interest can be sent:  
By Mail: Washburn City Hall  
P.O. Box 467  
Washburn ND 58577  
By Email: [washaud@westriv.com](mailto:washaud@westriv.com)  
On or before 4:30 PM Thursday  
May 7th, 2026  
(04-02-26, 04-09-26, 04-16-26, 04-23-26, 04-30-26)

### Wing Public School District #28 School Board Election

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, June 2, 2026, an election will be held for the Wing Public School District #28, Burleigh County, State of North Dakota.

Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026

Time: 11:00 AM to 7:00 PM

Purpose of the Election:

1. To elect two (2) members to the Wing Public School Board for a term of three (3) years each.

Write-in candidates are also permitted.


2. To vote on the following question:

Shall the Wing School Board be given the authority to levy up to an additional 30 mills for the school general fund levy of Wing Public School District #28 of Burleigh County, North Dakota as permitted by NDCC 57-15-14, for the purpose of the School General Fund. The General Fund is the primary operational fund for, but not limited to, expenses like salaries, benefits, supplies, utilities, and transportation.

All qualified voters residing within the Wing Public School District #28 are encouraged to participate in this important election. Voters will have the opportunity to cast their votes for school board members and decide on the levy of an additional 30 mills.

For more information about voting locations or absentee voting, please contact the Wing Public School District office at 701-943-2319.

(04-30-26, 05-07-26,  
05-14-26, 05-21-26)

 <p><b>ABSENTEE/MAIL BALLOT APPLICATION</b> SECRETARY OF STATE SFN 51468 (10-2023)</p> <p>For reference, see North Dakota Century Code, Chapter 16.1-07.</p>	<p><b>For Office Use Only</b> <b>Precinct Part</b></p>																				
<p>Application must be for at least one of the following elections: (check all that apply)</p> <p> <input type="checkbox"/> June (Primary) election                      <input type="checkbox"/> City or city special election                      <input type="checkbox"/> State or county special election  <input type="checkbox"/> November (General) election                      <input type="checkbox"/> School or school special election             </p>																					
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<p><b>Mail or submit to the auditor of your county of residence or appropriate election officer</b> (The signature on this affidavit will be compared to the signature on the affidavit on the envelope in which the absentee ballot must be placed.)</p> <p><b>Return Application to: MCLEAN COUNTY AUDITOR</b> <b>PO BOX 1108</b> <b>WASHBURN, ND 58577</b></p>																					