

OFFICIAL BALLOT  
GENERAL ELECTION  
LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA

NOVEMBER 3, 2026

To vote, fill in the oval on the ballot card that corresponds to the number assigned to your selection on this candidate list.

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GENERAL

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A write-in vote will NOT be counted unless the vote is for a DECLARED write-in candidate

To vote on these public questions, select "YES" or "NO"

PUBLIC QUESTION #1  
Vote For One (1) Only

Currently, under the Constitution of the State of Indiana, a person charged with murder or treason is not entitled to be released on bail if the proof is evident or the presumption strong. Shall the Constitution of the State of Indiana be amended to provide that a person charged with an offense other than murder or treason is not entitled to bail if:

(1) the proof is evident or the presumption strong; and

(2) the state proves by clear and convincing evidence that no release conditions will reasonably protect the safety of any other person or the community.

(This question concerns Article 1, Section 17 of the Constitution of the State of Indiana.)

16 YES

17 NO

PUBLIC QUESTION #2  
Vote For One (1) Only

Shall the Constitution of the State of Indiana be amended to permit the judge of a city or town court to reside in: (1) the county in which the court is located; or (2) the bordering county closest to the city or town in which the court is located?

(This question concerns Article 6, Section 6 of the Constitution of the State of Indiana.)

YES 25

NO 26

PUBLIC QUESTION #3  
Vote For One (1) Only

Shall Tri-Creek School Corporation increase property taxes paid to the school corporation for no more than eight (8) years for the purpose of replacing lost property tax revenue, funding bus transportation, student programs, and school safety by imposing a property tax rate that does not exceed seventeen and thirty- eight hundredths cents (\$0.1738) and results in a maximum annual amount that does not exceed three million dollars (\$3,000,000)? If this operating referendum public question is approved by the voters, for a median residence of \$300,000, the property's annual property tax bill would increase by \$245 per year. The most recent operating referendum public question proposed by the school corporation was held in 2023 and failed.

YES 33

NO 34

(1) You are not required to vote a straight party ticket. If you do not wish to vote a straight party ticket, do not make a selection in this section, and proceed to voting the ballot by office.

(2) To vote a straight party ticket for one political party's candidates on this ballot, except for candidates described in (3) below, select one of the following parties.

(3) To vote for any candidate for:

(A) Township Board Member; or

(B) a school board office;

you must select each candidate you wish to vote for.

Your straight party vote will not count as a vote for any candidate for that office.

(4) If you wish to vote for a candidate seeking a nonpartisan office or on a public question, you must select the appropriate place on this ballot.

#### STRAIGHT PARTY

50  Democratic Party

51  Republican Party

52  Libertarian Party

53  Lincoln Party

#### SECRETARY OF STATE Vote For One (1) Only

56 **BEAU BAYH**  
Democratic Party

57 **MAX ENGLING**  
Republican Party

58 **LAURI A SHILLINGS**  
Libertarian Party

59 **GREG BALLARD**  
Lincoln Party

60 **WRITE-IN**

#### STATE COMPTROLLER (AUDITOR OF STATE) Vote For One (1) Only

**JESSICA BAILEY** 63  
Democratic Party

**ELISE NIESHALLA** 64  
Republican Party

**JOHN SCHICK** 65  
Libertarian Party

#### TREASURER OF STATE Vote For One (1) Only

**COUMBA KEBE** 67  
Democratic Party

**DANIEL ELLIOTT** 68  
Republican Party

#### UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 1 Vote For One (1) Only

**FRANK J MRVAN** 71  
Democratic Party

**BARB REGNITZ** 72  
Republican Party

**WRITE-IN** 73

#### STATE SENATOR DISTRICT 6 Vote For One (1) Only

**KATE-LYNN HOLLEY** 76  
Democratic Party

**JAMES (JAY) STARKEY** 77  
Republican Party

STATE REPRESENTATIVE  
DISTRICT 11  
Vote For One (1) Only

83 TYLER THOMAS BRIDGES  
Democratic Party

84 MICHAEL J AYLESWORTH  
Republican Party

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY  
31ST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
Vote For One (1) Only

87 BERNARD A CARTER  
Democratic Party

CIRCUIT COURT CLERK  
Vote For One (1) Only

89 MIKE BROWN  
Democratic Party

90 LESLIE DALLNER  
Republican Party

COUNTY AUDITOR  
Vote For One (1) Only

92 REGINA (GINA) PIMENTEL  
Democratic Party

93 CHARLES (CHUCK) MESSLER  
Republican Party

COUNTY TREASURER  
Vote For One (1) Only

95 JOHN E PETALAS  
Democratic Party

96 KEVIN B DEANE  
Republican Party

COUNTY SHERIFF  
Vote For One (1) Only

98 JERRY WILLIAMS  
Democratic Party

99 DAVID K CRANE, JR  
Republican Party

COUNTY ASSESSOR  
Vote For One (1) Only

LATONYA SPEARMAN 102  
Democratic Party

COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBER  
DISTRICT 7  
Vote For One (1) Only

MICHELLE HEAPS WIETBROCK 105  
Democratic Party

RANDY NIEMEYER 106  
Republican Party

CEDAR CREEK TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE  
Vote For One (1) Only

ALICE F DAHL 108  
Republican Party

CEDAR CREEK TOWNSHIP BOARD  
MEMBER  
Vote for not more than Three (3) candidates for  
this office

\*\*\*To vote for any candidate for this office, you must make  
a voting mark for each candidate you wish to vote for. A  
straight party vote will not count as a vote for any  
candidate for this office.\*\*\*

DAN L BLANKENSHIP 113  
Republican Party

BRIAN K CHANDLER, JR 114  
Republican Party

DOROTHY E EICH 115  
Republican Party

TRI-CREEK SCHOOL CORPORATION  
AT LARGE  
Vote for not more than Two (2) candidates for  
this office

\*\*\*To vote for any candidate for this office, you must make  
a voting mark for each candidate you wish to vote for. A  
straight party vote will not count as a vote for any  
candidate for this office.\*\*\*

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126 ROBERT HAYDEN

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127 CODY VAN DEURSEN

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Court of Appeals Judicial Retention - Fourth  
District  
Vote For One (1) Only

Shall Judge Mary A. DeBoer be retained in office?

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YES 145

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NO 146

Court of Appeals Judicial Retention - Fifth  
District  
Vote For One (1) Only

Shall Judge Paul A. Felix be retained in office?

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YES 150

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NO 151

Retention of Judge of the Indiana Tax Court  
Vote For One (1) Only

Shall Judge Justin L. McAdam be retained in office?

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YES 154

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NO 155

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Lake Superior Court  
County Division Room Three  
Vote For One (1) Only

Shall Judge Julie N. Cantrell of the superior court of Lake  
County be retained in office for an additional term?

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164 YES

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165 NO

Lake Superior Court  
County Division Room One  
Vote For One (1) Only

Shall Judge Nicholas J. Schiralli of the superior court of  
Lake County be retained in office for an additional term?

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169 YES

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170 NO

Lake Superior Court  
Civil Division Room One  
Vote For One (1) Only

Shall Judge John M. Sedia of the superior court of Lake  
County be retained in office for an additional term?

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174 YES

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175 NO

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Precinct ID: 006

Precinct Name: CCT 01

Activation ID: 01

Activation: GENERAL

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