



2026 GENERAL

Election Date: 11/03/2026

This is an official notice of an election to be conducted in **ASHE** County on **11/03/2026**. This notice contains a list of all of the ballot measures and federal, State, and local offices this county expects, as of this date, to be on the ballot on the date of the election. (See Attachment)

An Election Notice will be prepared not later than 100 days before a regularly scheduled election that permits absentee voting, and as soon as practicable in the case of an election or vacancy election not regularly scheduled. For a second primary, an Election Notice will be prepared, no later than the day following the date the appropriate board of elections orders that a second primary be held.

As soon as ballot styles are printed, this county board of elections will update this notice with the certified candidates for each office and ballot measures and referenda questions that will be on the ballot. For General Elections during even-numbered years, ballots will be printed **60 days** prior to the election. For statewide primaries and other elections (except municipal elections), ballots will be printed **50 days** prior to the election. Municipal ballots are available **30 days** prior to Election Day. **You must request an updated Election Notice.**

Transmitting a Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot:

This notice may be used in conjunction with the federal write-in absentee ballot (FWAB). Covered military & U.S. citizens living outside the U.S. seeking to vote by absentee ballot may use the FWAB to register to vote, request an absentee ballot, and vote an official military-overseas ballot. When using the FWAB to register to vote, and/or request an absentee ballot, please transmit your signed and completed FWAB no later than **5:00 p.m. on the day before Election Day**. If submitted later than this day and time, your absentee ballot will not be counted. Federal write-in absentee ballots are available at www.NCSBE.gov. You may also request a regular absentee ballot by using the federal postcard application (FPCA), available at www.FVAP.gov. A regular ballot can be mailed, faxed or emailed to you. You may return the FWAB or a regular absentee ballot by mail, secure fax (1-919-715-0351) or email (absentee@ncsbe.gov).

Marking a Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot:

When marking a FWAB, for each office for which you wish to vote, write in either a candidate's name or political party designation. For ballot measures or referenda, write either "YES" (you are *for* the ballot measure or referendum) or "NO" (you are *against* the ballot measure or referendum). In a primary, if you are registered as Democratic, Green, Libertarian, or Republican, for partisan contests, you may only vote for the candidates of the party for which you are affiliated. You are also eligible to vote for non-partisan contests. If you are registered as unaffiliated ("independent"), in a primary, you may choose to vote for the partisan contests of one of the parties or you may choose to vote for non-partisan contests only. Please contact your local [board of elections](#) to confirm your party affiliation or voter registration status.

Please check the website for the NC State Board of Elections (www.NCSBE.gov) for additional information on military-overseas absentee voting.

Election Notice Of Contests and Referenda

ASHE BOARD OF ELECTIONS (11/03/2026)

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CANDIDATE NAME	NAME ON BALLOT	PARTY
US SENATE		
MICHAEL DUBLIN	Michael Dublin	GRE
ROY COOPER	Roy Cooper	DEM
SHANNON BRAY	Shannon W. Bray	LIB
MICHAEL WHATLEY	Michael Whatley	REP
US HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT 05		
VIRGINIA FOXX	Virginia Foxx	REP
ROBERT LUFFMAN	Robert B. Luffman	LIB
CHARLES HUBBARD	Chuck Hubbard	DEM
NC SUPREME COURT ASSOCIATE JUSTICE SEAT 01		
ANITA EARLS	Anita Earls	DEM
SARAH STEVENS	Sarah Stevens	REP
NC COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE SEAT 01		
MICHAEL BYRNE	Michael C. Byrne	REP
JOHN ARROWOOD	John S. Arrowood	DEM
NC COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE SEAT 02		
GEORGE BELL	George Cooper Bell	REP
TOBIAS HAMPSON	Tobias (Toby) Hampson	DEM
NC COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE SEAT 03		
CRAIG COLLINS	Craig Collins	REP
CHRISTINE WALCZYK	Christine Marie Walczyk	DEM
NC STATE SENATE DISTRICT 47		
FRANK HUGHES	Frank Patton Hughes III	DEM
RALPH HISE	Ralph Hise	REP
NC HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT 093		
CHARLES WALLIN	Charlie Wallin	DEM
PHILLIP PICKETT	Ray Pickett	REP
NC DISTRICT COURT JUDGE DISTRICT 34 SEAT 01		
ROBERT CRUMPTON	Robert (Rob) Crumpton	REP
NC DISTRICT COURT JUDGE DISTRICT 34 SEAT 02		
ANDREW WARREN	Andrew Warren	REP
NC DISTRICT COURT JUDGE DISTRICT 34 SEAT 03		
LAURA LUFFMAN	Laura Byrd Luffman	REP
DISTRICT ATTORNEY DISTRICT 34		
LEE BOLLINGER	Lee Boone Bollinger	REP
ASHE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS		
JERRY ELDTRETH	Mike Eldreth	REP
LESLIE COLVARD	Leslie Colvard	DEM
CAROLINE RENFRO	Caroline Renfro	DEM
JERRY POWERS	Jerry D. Powers	REP

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CANDIDATE NAME	NAME ON BALLOT	PARTY
TODD MCNEILL	Todd A. McNeill	REP

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DIANNE ELDTRETH	Dianne Eldreth	REP
JANET WARD	Janet Ward	REP
JAMES MCNEILL	Jamie McNeill	DEM
SHANE LITTLE	Shane E. Little	REP

ASHE COUNTY CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT

SHERMAN LEE	Sherman M. Lee	REP
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ASHE COUNTY REGISTER OF DEEDS

ELIZABETH BROOKE	Beth M. Brooke	REP
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ASHE COUNTY SHERIFF

BRANDON HOWELL	B. Phil Howell	REP
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**ASHE - NEW RIVER SOIL AND WATER
CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

TERRY MUNDAY	Terry Munday
WILLIAM HUFFMAN	Ryan Huffman

CHOICE	DESCRIPTION
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT - REQUIRE PHOTO ID FOR VOTING	
For	Constitutional amendment to require all voters, not just those presenting to vote in person, to present photo identification before voting.
Against	Constitutional amendment to require all voters, not just those presenting to vote in person, to present photo identification before voting.
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT - MAXIMUM INCOME TAX RATE OF 3.5%	
For	Constitutional amendment to keep the State income tax rate from being raised higher than three and one-half percent (3.5%).
Against	Constitutional amendment to keep the State income tax rate from being raised higher than three and one-half percent (3.5%).
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT - PROPERTY TAX LEVY LIMIT	
For	Constitutional amendment requiring limits on property tax increases by local governments.
Against	Constitutional amendment requiring limits on property tax increases by local governments.