

OFFICIAL BALLOT

GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT

SCHOOL DISTRICT _____

NOVEMBER 3, 2015

Judge _____

Judge _____

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS:
To vote, completely fill in the oval(s) next to your choice(s) like this: ●

SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICES OPTIONAL: SCHOOL DISTRICT NAME	SCHOOL DISTRICT QUESTIONS
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER OPTIONAL: SCHOOL DISTRICT NAME VOTE FOR UP TO FOUR	SCHOOL DISTRICT QUESTION 3 THE QUESTION TITLE MUST CONSIST OF TEN OR FEWER WORDS
<input type="radio"/> CANDIDATE <input type="radio"/> CANDIDATE <input type="radio"/> CANDIDATE <input type="radio"/> CANDIDATE <input type="radio"/> CANDIDATE <input type="radio"/> _____ <small>write-in, if any</small> <input type="radio"/> _____ <small>write-in, if any</small> <input type="radio"/> _____ <small>write-in, if any</small> <input type="radio"/> _____ <small>write-in, if any</small>	<p>When two or more ballot questions occur in a single jurisdiction, be sure to number the questions as above. When the question is related to the renewal of an existing levy referendum, use the notice below.</p> <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO <p>BY VOTING "YES" ON THIS BALLOT QUESTION, YOU ARE VOTING TO EXTEND AN EXISTING PROPERTY TAX REFERENDUM THAT IS SCHEDULED TO EXPIRE.</p>
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER DISTRICT <i>n</i> or AT LARGE VOTE FOR ONE	Precinct Name
<input type="radio"/> CANDIDATE <input type="radio"/> CANDIDATE <input type="radio"/> CANDIDATE <input type="radio"/> _____ <small>write-in, if any</small>	
SPECIAL ELECTION FOR SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER DISTRICT <i>n</i> To fill vacancy in term expiring January 1, 2018 VOTE FOR ONE	
<input type="radio"/> CANDIDATE <input type="radio"/> CANDIDATE <input type="radio"/> CANDIDATE <input type="radio"/> _____ <small>write-in, if any</small>	
SCHOOL DISTRICT QUESTIONS	
To vote for a question, fill in the oval next to the word "YES" on that question. To vote against a question, fill in the oval next to the word "NO" on that question.	
SCHOOL DISTRICT QUESTION 1 THE QUESTION TITLE MUST CONSIST OF TEN OR FEWER WORDS	
The body of the question is printed here in upper and lower case letters, as large as possible, but in no case smaller than 10 point type. The title goes above in the shaded box, and must also be in no smaller than 10 point type. "YES" and "NO" must be placed directly below and no smaller than 10 point and bold.	
<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	
SCHOOL DISTRICT QUESTION 2 THE QUESTION TITLE MUST CONSIST OF TEN OR FEWER WORDS	
When two or more ballot questions occur in a single jurisdiction, be sure to number the questions as above. If the question is an operating levy referendum question authorizing a property tax levy or tax rate increase including the issuance of debt obligations payable in whole or in part from property taxes, use the notice below.	
<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	
BY VOTING "YES" ON THIS BALLOT QUESTION, YOU ARE VOTING FOR A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE	

M.R. 8250.1810, subp. 5: "The name or number of the appropriate municipality, school district, or special district may be added directly under the office types listed in this subpart."

M.S. §204B.36: Number of write-in lines must equal the number to be elected.

M.R. 8250.1810, subp.16: Special elections to fill a vacancy must be listed with other offices of that type, but after any offices for a full term.

M.R. 8250.1810, Subp. 10: "When more than one question is on the ballot for a given jurisdiction, each ballot question must be designated by a number and must be preceded by the words... "SCHOOL DISTRICT QUESTION"... and the number assigned to the question in uppercase letters in as large as practicable but no smaller than 10-point bold face type. The name and/or number of the jurisdiction that the question will represent may be printed directly under the heading of the question. The question heading and numbers (where applicable) must be shaded with a screen of ten percent or less or printed white on black."

NOTE - For specific ballot question language requirements regarding referendum revenue see M.S. §126C.17.

M.S. §126C.17, subd. 9 : "...The Notice required under section 275.60 may be modified to read, in cases of renewing existing levies at the same amount per pupil as in the previous year: **"BY VOTING "YES" ON THIS BALLOT QUESTION, YOU ARE VOTING TO EXTEND AN EXISTING PROPERTY TAX REFERENDUM THAT IS SCHEDULED TO EXPIRE."** The ballot may contain a textual portion with the information required in this subdivision and a question stating substantially the following: "shall the increase in the revenue proposed by (petition to) the board of School District No. ..., be approved?"

M.S. §205A.03, subdivision 1. "Subdivision 1. Resolution requiring primary in certain circumstances. The school board of a school district may, by resolution adopted by April 15 of any year, decide to choose nominees for school board by a primary as provided in this section. The resolution, when adopted, is effective for all ensuing elections of board members in that school district until it is revoked. If the board decides to choose nominees by primary and if there are more than two candidates for a specified school board position or more than twice as many school board candidates as there are at-large school board positions available, the school district must hold a primary." If a school district does not choose to have a primary it is possible that there will be more than twice as many candidates as there are offices available on the general election ballot.

M.S. §275.60: "(a) Notwithstanding any general or special law or any charter provisions, but subject to section 126C.17, subdivision 9, any question submitted to the voters by any local governmental subdivision at a general or special election after June 8, 1995, authorizing a property tax levy or tax rate increase, including the issuance of debt obligations payable in whole or in part from property taxes, must include on the ballot the following notice in bold-face type: **"BY VOTING "YES" ON THIS BALLOT QUESTION, YOU ARE VOTING FOR A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE."**... (c)"...This section does not apply to a school district bond election if the debt service payments are to be made entirely from transfers of revenue from the capital fund to the debt service fund."