

The Chatham Elections Newsletter



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Inaugural Newsletter

Welcome to the inaugural edition of the Chatham County Board of Elections Newsletter! We're excited to launch this monthly newsletter, which you can find in office or on our Facebook page. Our goal is to keep you informed and engaged with timely updates on elections, new and pending legislation, campaign finance information, important deadlines, and upcoming events. We look forward to serving as a trusted source of election-related news and resources for our community.

Community Updates

New Supervisor & Podcast Feature

The Chatham County Board of Elections is pleased to welcome our new Director, Brook Schreiner. Brook recently joined the Chatham County CHAT podcast to share more about her background and her vision for elections in Chatham County. In this edition, we're also proud to include a message from Director Schreiner, outlining her commitment to integrity, transparency, voter access, and strong community engagement.

Listen to the podcast here:

chathamcountyga.gov/OurCounty/Podcast



Upcoming Events

Here is a detailed look at our upcoming elections schedule.

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Qualifying Week

Qualifying will be held March 2-6, 2026 (beginning 9:00 a.m. Monday and ending 12:00 noon Friday).

Partisan candidates will qualify with their respective party offices, while nonpartisan candidates will qualify at the Chatham County Board of Elections office.

A complete list of qualifying fees and locations is available on our website: elections.chathamcountyga.gov

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Monthly Board Meeting

The Chatham County Board of Elections will hold its regular monthly meeting on March 9th, 2026, at 3:30pm.

The meeting will be held at our elections office: 1117 Eisenhower Drive, Suite F, Savannah, GA.

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General Primary/Nonpartisan Election

Election Day is May 19th, 2026

Voters across Chatham County will head to the polls for the General Primary / Nonpartisan Election.

Last Day to Register: 04/20/2026
Early Voting: 04/27/2025 - 05/15/2026

Campaign Finance Information & Updates

If you are an elected official or running for office, take a look at these changes to campaign finance filing.

NEW 2026 FILING SCHEDULE UNDER SB 199

Pursuant to Georgia Senate Bill 199, important changes to campaign finance and financial disclosure filings will take effect in 2026. Beginning this year, both election-year and non-election-year officials who do not have an active Affidavit of Exemption on file must submit Campaign Contribution Disclosure Reports (CCDRs) on a quarterly filing schedule: January 31, April 30, July 31, and October 20.

Additionally, the 2026 Personal Financial Disclosure Statement (PFDS), covering calendar year 2025, will now be due by April 1, 2026.

TRANSITION TO STATE-LEVEL FILING IN 2027

Under SB 199, campaign finance and financial disclosure filings will transition to the state level beginning in 2027. This change removes local filing officers from the submission process, meaning candidates and elected officials will file directly with the State Ethics Commission moving forward. Additional guidance will be provided as implementation details become available. If you have questions about how these changes may affect you, please contact our office.





What to Expect on the Ballot

Partisan Contests

Federal (Party Primaries)

- U.S. Senate
- U.S. House of Representatives (District 1)

Statewide Offices (Party Primaries)

- Governor
- Lieutenant Governor
- Secretary of State
- Attorney General
- Commissioner of Agriculture
- Commissioner of Insurance
- State School Superintendent
- Commissioner of Labor
- Public Service Commissioner (Districts 3, 5)
- Georgia State Senate seats (Districts 1, 2, 4)
- Georgia House of Representatives seats (Districts 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166)
- Local Offices (Party Primaries)
- Board of Elections (2 Republican, 2 Democrat)

Nonpartisan Contests

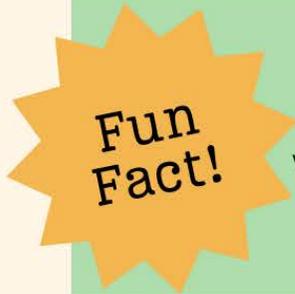
These offices are not decided by party primaries and appear on your ballot alongside the May 19 partisan primaries:

Local Chatham County Offices

- Chatham County School Board President
- Chatham County School Board Districts 4, 5, 6, and 8
- Recorder's Court Judge (two seats)

Judicial and Other Statewide Nonpartisan Races

Georgia's nonpartisan elections often include judges whose terms expire in 2026 (such as Supreme Court and Court of Appeals seats). Those will also appear on the May 19 ballot concurrent with party primaries, but without party labels.



Did you know that only one U.S. president was ever elected unanimously by the Electoral College? When George Washington won his second term in 1792, every elector cast their vote for him! A feat no other president has matched.



Message from our director Brook Schreiner

It is an honor to serve as your Election Director. I am grateful for the opportunity to support the voters of Chatham County and to help ensure that our elections are conducted with integrity, transparency, and efficiency. I bring to this role a strong commitment to public service, along with experience in election administration, planning, and operations. Throughout my career, I have worked to uphold the highest standards of accuracy and accountability, while also focusing on improving processes that make voting more accessible and understandable for all citizens.

As your Election Director, my priorities include:

- Ensuring secure and accurate elections through careful planning, training, and oversight
- Promoting transparency so voters can have confidence in every step of the process
- Improving voter access and education, making it easier for all eligible citizens to participate
- Supporting and training poll workers, who are essential to the success of Election Day
- Strengthening communication with the public so you are informed and prepared

I believe that elections are the foundation of our community's voice. My goal is to serve every voter with fairness, professionalism, and respect, while continually seeking ways to improve how we serve you.

I encourage all citizens to stay engaged, ask questions, and take advantage of the resources our office provides. Together, we can ensure that Chatham County continues to uphold strong and trusted elections. Thank you for your trust and for your participation in our democratic process.