Chattooga Co. – Nov 3, 2026 – General Election

Oct 13th - Oct 30th - Early voting (Schedule attached)

Oct 23rd – Absentee Ballots *due in county elections office* (unless Sr. full year Opt-in)

Nov 3rd – General Election, 7am-7pm at your *home precinct*

Runoff, if needed, Dec 1st (Early voting starts Nov. 23rd)

Chattooga County Registrars Office
10017 COMMERCE ST SUMMERVILLE GA, 30747
Phone: (706) 857-0739

Early / Advance Voting Places and Hours

See attached flyer sourced from WZQZ radio Facebook Post

Consolidated sample ballot follows – sourced from an online source. To get a *customized sample ballot for your precinct*, just google: "GA SOS MVP"

Chattooga Co. Early Voting info from WZQZ radio Facebook post 10/16/26

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Early voting starts in Chattooga County for November 3 general election

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DID YOU VOTE EARLY TODAY?

Early voting for the November 3 General Election kicked off TODAY, Tuesday, October 13, in Chattooga County!

We want to hear from you! Did you cast your ballot on the first day of early voting? Let us know in the comments! 👇

📍 **WHERE TO VOTE:**
Chattooga County Registrar's Office
10017 Commerce Street, Summerville

🟰 **EARLY VOTING HOURS:**

✅ October 13–16: 8:30 AM–5 PM

✅ Saturday, October 17: 9 AM–5 PM

✅ October 19–23: 8:30 AM–5 PM

✅ Saturday, October 24: 9 AM–5 PM

✅ October 26–30: 8:30 AM–6 PM

There will be NO early voting on Sundays.

Chattooga County voters will be deciding several important races and ballot questions, including statewide and congressional offices, proposed homestead exemptions, the renewal of ESPLOST and, for Trion voters, a bond referendum.

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OFFICIAL BALLOT

November 3, 2026 - General and Special Elections

November 03, 2026

In accordance with GA Law, phone use in a voting area is prohibited except for visually impaired voters who need to use their phone as an assistive device to read their ballot before casting. To print your Sample Ballot, click "Open in New Tab," and select "Print Ballot".

This is not your official ballot. Any marks on this ballot will not count.

For United States Senate
(Vote for One)

- ◯ Mike Collins
  Republican
- ◯ Jon Ossoff
  (Incumbent) Democrat
- ◯ [ ]
  Write-in

For Secretary of State
(Vote for One)

- ◯ Tim Fleming
  Republican
- ◯ Penny Brown Reynolds
  Democrat
- ◯ [ ]
  Write-in

For Commissioner of Insurance
(Vote for One)

- ◯ John King
  (Incumbent) Republican
- ◯ Keisha Sean Waites
  Democrat
- ◯ [ ]
  Write-in

For Governor
(Vote for One)

- ◯ Rick Jackson
  Republican
- ◯ Keisha Lance Bottoms
  Democrat
- ◯ [ ]
  Write-in

For Attorney General
(Vote for One)

- ◯ Brian Strickland
  Republican
- ◯ Tanya Miller
  Democrat
- ◯ [ ]
  Write-in

For State School Superintendent
(Vote for One)

- ◯ Richard Woods
  (Incumbent) Republican
- ◯ Lydia Powell
  Democrat
- ◯ [ ]
  Write-in

For Lieutenant Governor
(Vote for One)

- ◯ Greg Dolezal
  Republican
- ◯ Josh McLaurin
  Democrat
- ◯ [ ]
  Write-in

For Commissioner of Agriculture
(Vote for One)

- ◯ Tyler Harper
  (Incumbent) Republican
- ◯ Katherine E. Juhan-Arnold
  Democrat
- ◯ [ ]
  Write-in

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For Commissioner of Labor
(Vote for One)

- ◯ Bárbara Rivera Holmes (Incumbent) Republican
- ◯ Nikki Porcher Democrat
- ◯ Write-in

For United States House of Representatives - District 14
(Vote for One)

- ◯ Clay Fuller (Incumbent) Republican
- ◯ Shawn Harris Democrat
- ◯ Write-in

For County Board of Education District 2
(Vote for One)

- ◯ Tiffany T. Lawrence (Incumbent) Republican
- ◯ Write-in

For Public Service Commissioner District 3
(Vote for One)

- ◯ Fitz Johnson Republican
- ◯ Peter Hubbard (Incumbent) Democrat
- ◯ Write-in

For State Senate District 53
(Vote for One)

- ◯ Lanny Thomas (Incumbent) Republican
- ◯ John Bentley "Jack" Zibluk Democrat
- ◯ Write-in

For County Board of Education District 3
(Vote for One)

- ◯ Lori Ann Brady (Incumbent) Republican
- ◯ Write-in

For Public Service Commissioner District 5
(Vote for One)

- ◯ Josh Tolbert Republican
- ◯ Shelia Edwards Democrat
- ◯ Write-in

For State House of Representatives - District 12
(Vote for One)

- ◯ Eddie Lumsden (Incumbent) Republican
- ◯ Holly Chaney Democrat
- ◯ Write-in

For County Board of Education District 4
(Vote for One)

- ◯ Bonnie Kinnamont Fletcher (Incumbent) Republican
- ◯ Write-in

Proposed Constitutional Amendments

Special Election

- 1 -

Increases the maximum qualifying acreage for assessment and taxation as bona fide conservation use property.

House Resolution 32

Ga. L. 2025, p. 1081

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- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No

- 2 -

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House Resolution 251

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- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No

- 3 -

Authorizes creation of Georgia Next Generation 9-1-1 Fund for 9-1-1 systems expansion, maintenance, and operation.

House Resolution 1243

Ga. L. 2026, p. 1109

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- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No

Education Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax

(Vote for One)

Shall a one percent sales and use tax (the "Sales Tax") for educational purposes be continued in Chattooga County for a period of time not to exceed five years, beginning with the calendar quarter following the calendar quarter in which the sales and use tax for educational purposes presently in effect expires, and for the raising of not more than $26,900,000 to be distributed among the Chattooga County School District and the Town of Trion School District, allocated based upon applicable October, 2026 student enrollments of the School Districts, as provided in the Georgia Constitution, with the sales and use taxes to be used for the following purposes: For the Chattooga County School District for the purpose of (i) constructing and equipping additional classrooms and instructional and support space, (ii) remodeling, renovating and equipping classrooms, instructional and support space, and other facilities (including physical education/athletic/CTAE facilities) at existing school system facilities, (iii) acquiring land and conducting site preparation of real estate for school district purposes, (iv) acquiring furnishings, equipment and fixtures for new and existing facilities system-wide, including technology equipment, safety and security equipment, textbooks, library books, school buses, maintenance and transportation equipment, and school system vehicles, (v) enhancing safety and security at all school system facilities and campuses through the acquisition, installation, and upgrading of security infrastructure and systems, including controlled access points, surveillance equipment, emergency communication systems, and other equipment necessary to promote a safe and secure learning and working environment for students, staff, and visitors, with the estimated aggregate cost of such projects to be financed from funds raised by the Sales Tax being $10,155,750; (vi) payment of a portion of the principal and interest due on the Chattooga County School District's General Obligation Bonds, Series 2022, the maximum amount of such payments not to exceed $8,093,250; (vii) paying any general obligation debt of the Chattooga County School District issued in conjunction with the imposition of the Sales Tax; and (viii) paying expenses incident to accomplishing the foregoing. For the Town of Trion School District, for the purpose of (i) acquiring, constructing and equipping additional classrooms, instructional and support facilities and physical education facilities, (ii) remodeling, renovating and equipping classrooms, instructional and support space and other facilities (including physical education/athletic facilities) at existing school district facilities, (iii) acquiring land and conducting site preparation of real estate for school district purposes, (iv) acquiring furnishings, equipment and fixtures for new and existing facilities system-wide, (v) acquiring technology equipment, safety and security equipment, text books, teaching software, school buses, maintenance and transportation equipment, and school system vehicles, (vi) paying a portion of the debt service on the general obligation bonds of Trion School District to be issued in 2026 or 2027, with a maximum payment amount of $6,463,000; the aggregate estimated cost of such projects and debt service payments to be financed from funds raised by the Sales Tax being $8,651,000; and (vii) paying expenses incident to accomplishing the foregoing. If the continuation of the tax is approved by the voters and if a majority of the voters of the Chattooga County School District approve the continuation of the tax, such vote shall also constitute approval of the issuance of general obligation debt of Chattooga County School District in the principal amount of $5,000,000 for the purposes of the Chattooga County School District described in items (i)-(v) and (viii) above and for the purpose of payment of a portion of the interest on such debt.

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No

Homestead Exemption of Ad Valorem Taxes - County Purposes

House Bill 1544, Act 586

(Vote for One)

Shall the Act be approved which provides a homestead exemption from Chattooga County ad valorem taxes for county purposes in the amount of $70,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that county who are 70 years of age or older and whose income does not exceed $38,000.00?

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No

Homestead Exemption of Ad Valorem Taxes - Educational Purposes

House Bill 1543, Act 585

(Vote for One)

Shall the Act be approved which increases the income cap on the current homestead exemption for senior citizens 70 years of age or older from Chattooga County School District ad valorem taxes for educational purposes from $20,000.00 to $38,000.00, and for the exemption to increase to $41,150.00 for tax year 2027 and to $55,000.00 for tax year 2028 and all subsequent tax years?

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No

Nov 3, 2026 Georgia Statewide **"Proposed Constitutional Amendments"** (Enlarged)

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○ **Yes**
○ **No**

Georgia voters will be asked to authorize a 911 modernization fund, increase a property tax exemption for farmers and make probate judges nonpartisan.

By Sophia Eppley Aug 10, 2026 Atlanta-Journal Constitution Politics

Georgia voters won't just decide who holds office this November. They'll also weigh in on three proposed amendments to the state constitution.

Next Generation 9-1-1 Fund

This amendment would allow the state Legislature to create the Georgia Next Generation 9-1-1 Fund. The fund would modernize the state's 911 services to keep up with today's technology, like allowing callers to send text messages, pictures and videos to emergency dispatchers.

Georgia's current 911 infrastructure has remained largely unchanged since its inception in 1968, according to the Georgia Emergency Communications Agency. Technology has significantly evolved since then, with 80% of 911 calls nationwide coming from wireless mobile devices rather than landlines tied to specific addresses.

Approval of this amendment would not immediately change the 911 fee Georgians pay on their phone bill. Future laws will decide how the fund will be managed and what money will be deposited into it. The current 911 cellphone fee is $1.50.

A "yes" vote allows the state Legislature to create and dedicate revenue to the Georgia Next Generation 9-1-1 Fund.

A "no" vote opposes the state Legislature creating and dedicating revenue to the Georgia Next Generation 9-1-1 Fund.

Clarification

This story has been updated to clarify that passage of the Next Generation 9-1-1 amendment would not trigger an automatic increase in the 911 fee on Georgians' phone bills.

Property tax amendment [Conservation Use Property]

This amendment would allow owners of large farms and timberland to receive a property tax break for up to 4,000 acres of land instead of the current 2,000-acre limit.

A single landowner can currently enroll a maximum of 2,000 acres to receive special property tax assessment under Georgia's Conservation Use Valuation Assessment program.

Land that qualifies under CUVA — including farming, timber production or conservation land — is currently taxed at 40% of its current use value instead of its full value. This amendment would allow more acres — 4,000 instead of 2,000 — to become eligible for that property tax break.

Supporters say the amendment will help keep family farms in business and streamline efficiency and transparency. Sen. Sam Watson, R-Moultrie, who sponsored the resolution in the state Senate, argued that the amendment is necessary to update conservation use laws that have remained largely unchanged since the 1980s when agriculture was significantly different.

There are some reservations that approving the amendment could cost local government and schools property tax revenue or that it could expand to give corporate farms an unneeded tax break.

A "yes" vote approves increasing the maximum amount of land that a single owner can enroll in CUVA from 2,000 to 4,000 acres.

A "no" vote opposes increasing the maximum amount of land that a single owner can enroll in CUVA to 4,000 acres. The existing limit of 2,000 acres would stay in place.

Nonpartisan probate judges

This amendment would require that probate judges be elected on a nonpartisan basis. Probate judges are the last judicial office in the state where candidates still run with a party label.

Probate judges administer wills and estates, appoint guardians and conservators, and issue marriage and weapons carry licenses. Some handle traffic offenses and hear misdemeanor cases.

If the amendment passes, Georgia's judiciary will be fully nonpartisan.

Supporters argue that partisanship breaks the judicial code of conduct and that removing those political labels will ensure impartiality and public trust. State Rep. Kimberly New, R-Villa Rica, sponsored the resolution in the state House and said judges should serve the law, not a political party. This amendment will protect the integrity of Georgia's courts, she said.

A "yes" vote will require that all probate judges be elected on a nonpartisan basis.

A "no" vote opposes requiring that all probate judges be elected on a nonpartisan basis. Probate judges would continue to be elected partisan.



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JON OSSOFF (DEMOCRAT)		MIKE COLLINS (REPUBLICAN)
NO[1]	Extend the Tax Cuts & Jobs Act of 2017	YES[6]
NO[2]	SAVE Act: Allow Only US Citizens to Vote	YES[7]
YES[3]	Abortion on Demand	NO[8]
YES[4]	Boys Competing in Girls' Sports	NO[9]
NO[1]	Expand School Choice	YES[6]
NO[1]	Permanently Securing the Border- HR 1 provision	YES[6]
YES[5]	Limit Aid to Israel (SJ Res. 111 by Bernie Sanders)	NO[10]
NO[1]	Defund Planned Parenthood	YES[6]

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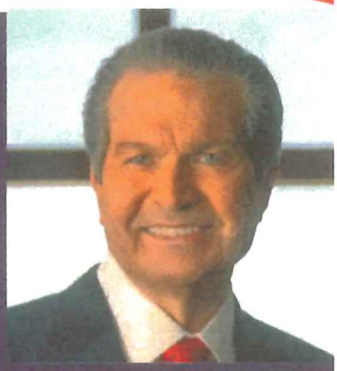
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NO[1]	Reduce State Income and Property Taxes	YES[5]
YES[2]	Abortion on Demand	NO[6]
YES[3]	Boys Competing in Girls' Sports	NO[5]
YES[4]	DEI Initiatives in State Government	NO[5]
UNCLEAR[2]	Parental Rights in Education	YES[5]
NO[1]	Support Trump Immigration Policies	YES[5]
NO[2]	Photo Voter ID	YES[7]

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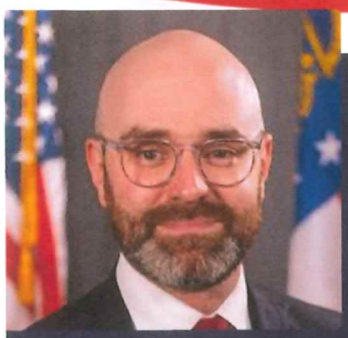
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NO[1,9]	Reduce State Income and Property Taxes	YES[8,9]
YES[2]	Abortion on Demand	NO[8]
YES[3]	Boys Competing in Girls' Sports	NO[8]
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NO[1]	**Make Sheriffs Enforce Federal Immigration Law**	**YES**[2]
YES[3]	**Boys Competing in Girls' Sports**	**NO**[4]
YES[5]	**Abortion on Demand**	**NO**[6]

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