Cherokee Co. – Nov 3, 2026 – General Election

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

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)

Attached pages contain a *consolidated* sample ballot of ALL county races. For *your customized ballot*, precinct & polling place Google: "GA SOS MVP" ('My Voter Page")

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Cherokee County Elections & Voter Registration

GENERAL ELECTION – NOVEMBER 3, 2026

Advance Voting Locations, Dates, And Times

Cherokee County Elections & Voter Registration Office
193 Lamar Haley Parkway, Canton, GA 30114

Ball Ground Public Library
435 Old Canton Road, Ball Ground, GA 30107

Hickory Flat Public Library
2740 E. Cherokee Drive, Canton, GA 30115

Rose Creek Public Library
4476 Towne Lake Parkway, Woodstock, GA 30189

Oak Grove Fire Station Community Room
100 Ridge Mill Court, Acworth, GA 30102

South Cherokee Annex/Recreation Center*
7545 Main Street, Woodstock, GA 30188

The Buzz Ahrens Recreation Center*
7345 Cumming Highway, Canton, GA 30115

***Voting and Drop Box Locations**

Early Voting Dates & Hours - All locations

Tuesday, October 13th thru Saturday, October 17th – 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Monday, October 19th thru Saturday, October 24th – 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Monday, October 26th thru Friday, October 30th – 8:30 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

SUNDAY VOTING – October 25th – Cherokee County Elections Office
1-5 PM

Election Day – November 3rd **

All Election Day Polling Locations Open
7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

***Voters must go to their assigned polling location on Election Day.*
Check mvp.sos.ga.gov for the polling location address and voter registration information.

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This consolidated Sample Ballot contains ALL RACES for the November 3, 2026 General/Special Election.

For United States Senate (Vote for One)	**Mike Collins** Republican **Jon Ossoff (I)** Democrat
For Governor (Vote for One)	**Rick Jackson** Republican **Keisha Lance Bottoms** Democrat
For Lieutenant Governor (Vote for One)	**Greg Dolezal** Republican **Josh McLaurin** Democrat
For Secretary of State (Vote for One)	**Tim Fleming** Republican **Penny Brown Reynolds** Democrat
For Attorney General (Vote for One)	**Brian Strickland** Republican **Tanya Miller** Democrat
For Commissioner of Agriculture (Vote for One)	**Tyler Harper (I)** Republican **Katherine E. Juhan-Arnold** Democrat
For Commissioner of Insurance (Vote for One)	**John King (I)** Republican **Keisha Sean Waites** Democrat
For State School Superintendent (Vote for One)	**Richard Woods (I)** Republican **Lydia Powell** Democrat
For Commissioner of Labor (Vote for One)	**Bàrbara Rivera Holmes (I)** Republican **Nikki Porcher** Democrat
For Public Service Commissioner District 3 (Vote for One)	**Fitz Johnson** Republican **Peter Hubbard (I)** Democrat
For Public Service Commissioner District 5 (Vote for One)	**Josh Tolbert** Republican **Shelia Edwards** Democrat
For United States House of Representatives District 7 (Vote for One)	**Rich McCormick (I)** Republican **Tony Kozycki** Democrat
For United States House of Representatives District 11 (Vote for One)	**John Cowan** Republican **Chris Harden** Democrat
For State Senate District 21 (Vote for One)	**Jason T. Dickerson (I)** Republican **Kori Simmons** Democrat
For State Senate District 32 (Vote for One)	**Kay Kirkpatrick (I)** Republican **Michael Hettig** Democrat

For State Senate District 56 (Vote for One)	**John Albers (I)** Republican **Patrick Thompson** Democrat
For State House of Representatives - District 11 (Vote for One)	**Rick Jasperse (I)** Republican **Ryan Fountain** Democrat
For State House of Representatives - District 14 (Vote for One)	**Mitchell Scoggins (I)** Republican **Bella Bautista** Democrat
For State House of Representatives - District 20 (Vote for One)	**Charlice Byrd (I)** Republican **Jason D. Tanner** Democrat
For State House of Representatives - District 21 **(Vote for One)**	**Brad Thomas (I)** Republican **Anthony Aragues** Democrat
For State House of Representatives - District 22 (Vote for One)	**Jordan Ridley (I)** Republican **James Shade** Democrat
For State House of Representatives - District 23 (Vote for One)	**Bill Fincher (I)** Republican **Rob Epstein** Democrat
For State House of Representatives - District 44 (Vote for One)	**Don L. Parsons (I)** Republican **Danielle Bell** Democrat
For State House of Representatives - District 46 (Vote for One)	**John Carson (I)** Republican **Dumont J. Walker** Democrat
For State House of Representatives - District 47 (Vote for One)	**Jack Miller** Republican **Lindsay Defranco** Democrat
For Solicitor General (Vote for One)	**Todd Hayes (I)** Republican
For County Commission Chairman (Vote for One)	**Harry B. Johnston (I)** Republican
For County Commission District 1 (Vote for One)	**Will Cagle (I)** Republican
For County Commision District 4 (Vote for One)	**Corey Ragsdale (I)** Republican **Steven Rogers** Democrat
For County Board of Education District 3 (Vote for One)	**Chance Beam (I)** Republican
For County Board of Education District 4 (Vote for One)	**Rick Steiner Rechsteiner (I)** Republican
For County Board of Education District 5 (Vote for One)	**Erin Ragsdale (I)** Republican

For County Board of Education District 6 (Vote for One)	**Hayden Holcomb** Republican

City of Ball Ground

For City Council Post 1 (Vote for One)	Scott Barnes (I) Paul Sorrentino
For City Council Post 2 (Vote for One)	Jimmy Brown Jimmy Gale Dan Homiller
For City Council Post 3 (Vote for One)	Vicki Benefield (I) David A. Westrick

Proposed Constitutional Amendments

-1- **Increases the maximum qualifying acreage for assessment and taxation as bona fide conservation use property.** House Resolution 32 Ga. L. 2025, p. 1081	"Shall the Constitution of Georgia, for the purpose of protecting family farmland, be amended so as to increase the maximum acreage to qualify for assessment and taxation as a bona fide conservation use property from 2,000 acres to 4,000 acres?" Yes or No
-2- **Provides for the nonpartisan election of all probate court judges.** House Resolution 251 Ga. L. 2026, p. 1110	"Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to require that all probate court judges be elected in nonpartisan elections?" Yes or 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	"Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to authorize the General Assembly to dedicate certain existing revenues, including revenues reallocated by law, to a nonlapsing fund to be used exclusively for the expansion, maintenance, and operation of emergency 9-1-1 systems in this state?" Yes or No

Special Election

Homestead Exemption - School District Ad Valorem Taxes for Educational Purposes (Vote for One)	"Shall the Act be approved which provides a homestead exemption from Cherokee County school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes, through tax year 2031, in an amount equal to the amount by which the current year assessed value of a homestead exceeds its adjusted base year assessed value, provided that the base year assessed value of such homestead shall be adjusted annually by no more than 4 percent?" Yes or No
To Continue the Special One Percent Sales and Use Tax and Issue Bonds for the Cherokee County School System (Vote for One)	*Shall a total of $425,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of Cherokee County School System general obligation debt (the "Bonds") be issued* for the purpose of funding (a) the costs of (i) acquiring, constructing and equipping new school buildings, administration buildings, athletic and fine arts buildings/facilities and other buildings or facilities useful or desirable in connection therewith, (ii) adding to, renovating, repairing, improving and equipping exsisting school buildings, administration buildings, athletic and fine arts buildings/facilities and other buildings and facilities useful or desirable therewith, (iii) acquiring buses and other vehicles, (iv) acquiring, installing and implementing technology improvements, (v) acquiring land for future facilities; and (vi) acquiring any property useful or desirable therefor, both real and personal (the "Projects"); (b) capitalized interest on the Bonds; and (c) the costs of issuing the Bonds; *and shall a special one percent sales and use tax be continued in Cherokee County for a period of time not to exced 20 calendar quarters and for the raising of not more than $425,000,000* for the purpose of funding (a) the payment of a portion of the principal of and interest on the Cherokee County School System General Obligation Bonds, Series 2009, Series 2010, Series 2017, Series 2020, Series 2022, Series 2024, Series 2025 and Series 2026 previously issued (the "Prior Bonds"), the maximum amount of debt service to be paid on the Prior Bonds will not exceed $310,000,000; (b) the payment of a portion of the principal of and interest on the Bonds, the maximum amount of debt service to be paid on the Bonds will not exceed $100,000,000; and (c) the maximum amount of Projects to be funded will not exceed the balance of the one percent sales and use tax proceeds? Yes or No

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

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

House Resolution 32
Ga. L. 2025, p. 1081

"Shall the Constitution of Georgia, for the purpose of protecting family farmland, be amended so as to increase the maximum acreage to qualify for assessment and taxation as a bona fide conservation use property from 2,000 acres to 4,000 acres?"

- ○ **Yes**
- ○ **No**

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Provides for the nonpartisan election of all probate court judges.

House Resolution 251
Ga. L. 2026, p. 1110

"Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to require that all probate court judges be elected in nonpartisan elections?"

- ○ **Yes**
- ○ **No**

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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

"Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to authorize the General Assembly to dedicate certain existing revenues, including revenues reallocated by law, to a nonlapsing fund to be used exclusively for the expansion, maintenance, and operation of emergency 9-1-1 systems in this state?"

- ○ **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.

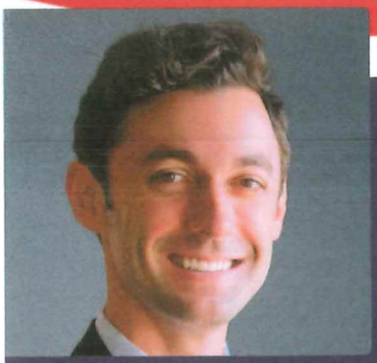
If the amendment passes, Georgia's judiciary will be fully nonpartisan.

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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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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KEISHA LANCE BOTTOMS (DEMOCRAT)		RICK JACKSON (REPUBLICAN)
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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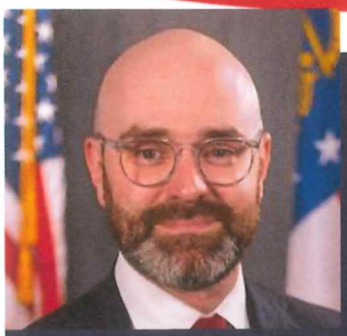
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NO[1,9]	Reduce State Income and Property Taxes	YES[8,9]
YES[2]	Abortion on Demand	NO[8]
YES[3]	Boys Competing in Girls' Sports	NO[8]
YES[4]	DEI Initiatives in State Government	NO[6]
NO[5]	Parental Rights in Education	YES[8]
NO[6]	Support Trump Immigration Policies	YES[8]
NO[7]	Photo Voter ID	YES[8]

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BRIAN STRICKLAND
(REPUBLICAN)

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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