



PUBLIC NOTICES



Notice of Spring Primary and Sample Ballot
April 1, 2025

Office of the Barron County Clerk
To the Voters of Barron County:

Notice is hereby given of a spring primary election to be held in Barron County on April 1, 2025 at which the officers named below shall be chosen. The names of the candidates for each office, whose nominations have been certified to or filed in this office, are given under the title of the office, each in its proper column, in the sample ballot below.

Information to Voters

Upon entering the polling place and before being permitted to vote, a voter shall:

- state their name and address
- show an acceptable form of photo identification*
- sign the poll book**

*If a voter does not have acceptable photo identification, the voter may obtain a free photo ID for voting from the Division of Motor Vehicles.

**If the voter is unable to sign the poll book due to disability, a poll worker may write the word “exempt.”

If a voter is not registered to vote, they may register to vote at the polling place serving their residence if the voter provides proof of residence.

Where ballots are distributed to voters, the initials of two inspectors must appear on the ballot.

Upon being permitted to vote, the voter shall enter a voting booth or go to a machine and cast their ballot. The vote should not be cast in any manner other than specified here. Sample ballots or other materials to assist the voter in marking their ballot may be taken into the booth and copied. The sample ballot shall not be shown to anyone so as to reveal how the ballot is marked.

A voter who is a parent or guardian may be accompanied by the voter's minor child or minor ward.

An election official may inform the voter of the proper manner for casting a vote but the official may not advise or indicate a particular voting choice.

Assistance for Voting

A voter may select an individual to assist in casting their vote if the voter declares to the presiding official that they are unable to read, have difficulty reading, writing, or understanding English, or that due to disability are unable to cast their ballot. The selected individual rendering assistance may not be the voter's employer or an agent of that employer or an officer or agent of a labor organization which represents the voter.

Where Optical Scan Voting is Used

The voter shall fill in the oval next to the name of the candidate of their choice for each office for which he or she intends to vote. To vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot, the voter shall write in the name of the person of their choice in the space provided for a write-in vote and fill in the oval next to the write-in line.

When using an electronic ballot marking device to mark an optical scan ballot, the voter shall touch the screen to select the name of the candidate of their choice for each office for which they intend to vote. To vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot, the voter shall type in the name of the person of their choice in the space provided for a write-in vote.

Spoiled Ballots

If a voter spoils an optical scan ballot, they shall return it to an election official who shall issue another ballot in its place, but not more than three ballots shall be issued to any one voter. If the ballot has not been initialed by two inspectors or is defective in any other way, the voter shall return it to the election official, who shall issue a proper ballot in its place.

After Voting the Ballot

After an official optical scan ballot is marked, it may be inserted in the security sleeve, so the marks do not show. The voter shall insert the ballot in the voting device and discard the sleeve or deliver the ballot to an inspector for deposit. The voter shall leave the polling place promptly.

The following is a sample of the official ballot:

Official Ballot
Nonpartisan Office and Referendum
April 1, 2025

Notice to voters: if you are voting on Election Day, your ballot must be initialed by two (2) election inspectors. If you are voting absentee, your ballot must be initialed by the municipal clerk or deputy clerk. Your ballot may not be counted without initials (see end of ballot for initials).

General Instructions

If you make a mistake on your ballot or have a question, ask an election inspector for help (absentee voters: contact your municipal clerk).

To vote for a name on the ballot, fill in the oval next to the name like this: ●

To vote for a name that is not on the ballot, write the name on the line marked "write-in" and fill in the oval next to the name like this: ●

State Superintendent of Public Instruction

State Superintendent
Vote for 1

Brittany Kinser

Jill Underly

write-in:

Judicial

Justice of the Supreme Court
Vote for 1

Brad Schimel

Susan Crawford

write-in:

Court of Appeals District 3

Vote for 1

Lisa K. Stark

write-in:

Municipal

Aldersperson
District 4
Vote for 1

Michael Benjamin

Doris Laursen

write-in:

School District

Cumberland School District
School Board Member
Vote for not more than 2

Jonelle R. Gideo

Michael Furseth

Eric Stone

Nancy Keeler

write-in:

write-in:

Referendum

To vote in favor of a question, fill in the oval next to "Yes," like this: ●

To vote against a question, fill in the oval next to "No," like this: ●

Question 1: "Photographic identification for voting." Shall section 1m of article III of the constitution be created to require that voters present valid photographic identification verifying their identity in order to vote in any election, subject to exceptions which may be established by law?"

Yes

No

Official Ballot
Nonpartisan Office and Referendum
April 1, 2025
for
Barron County
City of Cumberland
Aldersperson District 4
SD Cumberland

Ballot issued by

Initials of election inspectors

Absentee ballot issued by

Initials of Municipal Clerk or Deputy Clerk

If issued by SVDs, both must initial

Certification of Voter Assistance

I certify that I marked or read aloud this ballot at the request and direction of a voter who is authorized under Wis. Stat. §6.82 to receive assistance.

Signature of assistor

For Official Use Only

Inspectors: Identify ballots required to be remade:

Overvoted

Damaged

Other

If this is the Original Ballot, write the serial number here:

If this is the Duplicate Ballot, write the serial number here:

Initials of inspectors who remade ballot

Continue voting at top of next column.

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PLEASE NOTE: The State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Justice of the Supreme Court, Court of Appeals contests and Statewide Referenda Question will appear on all ballots. The following is a list of municipal and school contests:

TOWN OF CRYSTAL LAKE
TOWN BOARD CHAIRPERSON
Vote for ONE
Eric Zappa
Craig Nelson

TOWN BOARD SUPERVISOR 1
Vote for ONE
Dean Williams

TOWN BOARD SUPERVISOR 2
Vote for ONE
Michael Frisinger

TOWN OF CUMBERLAND
TOWN BOARD CHAIRPERSON
Vote for ONE
Tom Brown

TOWN BOARD SUPERVISOR 1
Vote for ONE
Alvin Hecht

TOWN BOARD SUPERVISOR 2
Vote for ONE
Kenneth Kolzow

TOWN CLERK
Vote for ONE
Sara Mathison

TOWN TREASURER
Vote for ONE
Brooke Fischer

TOWN OF LAKELAND
TOWN BOARD CHAIRPERSON
Vote for ONE
Bill Metnik

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF CUMBERLAND
Towns of Almena, Bear Lake, Clinton, Crystal Lake, Cumberland, Lakeland, Maple Plain, Stanfold & City of Cumberland in Barron County; Towns of Johnstown & McKinley in Polk County; Town of Roosevelt in Burnett County

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER
Vote for not more than TWO
Jonelle R. Gideo
Michael Furseth
Eric Stone
Nancy Keeler

TOWN OF LAKELAND
TOWN BOARD SUPERVISOR 1
Vote for ONE
Jeneene Rydberg

TOWN BOARD SUPERVISOR 2
Vote for ONE
Ricky Schill

TOWN OF MAPLE PLAIN
TOWN BOARD CHAIRPERSON
Vote for ONE
Dennis J. Jenkins

TOWN BOARD SUPERVISOR
Vote for not more than TWO
Clint West
Kally A. Wagner

CITY OF CUMBERLAND
ALDERPERSON DISTRICT 1
Vote for ONE
Steve Anderson

ALDERPERSON DISTRICT 2
Vote for ONE
Bill Lussier

ALDERPERSON DISTRICT 3
Vote for ONE
Jim Schullo

ALDERPERSON DISTRICT 4
Vote for ONE
Michael Benjamin
Doris Laursen

Jessica Hodek, Barron County Clerk

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NOTICE OF REFERENDUM ELECTION
APRIL 1, 2025

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that at an election to be held in the several towns, villages and cities in Barron County, on Tuesday, April 1, 2025, the following question will be submitted to a vote of the people pursuant to law:

2025 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 2

To create section 1m of article III of the constitution; relating to: requiring photographic identification to vote in any election (second consideration).

Whereas, the 2023 legislature in regular session considered a proposed amendment to the constitution in 2023 Senate Joint Resolution 73, which became 2023 Enrolled Joint Resolution 9, and agreed to it by a majority of the members elected to each of the two houses, which proposed amendment reads as follows:

Section 1. Section 1m of article III of the constitution is created to read:

[Article III] Section 1m (1) No qualified elector may cast a ballot in any election unless the elector presents valid photographic identification that verifies the elector's identity and that is issued by this state, the federal government, a federally recognized American Indian tribe or band in this state, or a college or university in this state. The legislature shall by law establish acceptable forms of photographic identification, and the legislature may by law establish exceptions to the requirement under this subsection.

(2) A qualified elector who is unable to present valid photographic identification on election day shall be permitted to cast a provisional ballot. A provisional ballot may not be counted unless the elector presents valid photographic identification at a later time and place as provided by the legislature by law.

Section 2. Numbering of new provision. If another constitutional amendment ratified by the people creates the number of any provision created in this joint resolution, the chief of the legislative reference bureau shall determine the sequencing and the numbering of the provisions whose numbers conflict.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the foregoing proposed amendment to the constitution is agreed to by the 2025 legislature; and, be it further

Resolved, That the foregoing proposed amendment to the constitution be submitted to a vote of the people at the election to be held on the first Tuesday of April 2025; and, be it further

Resolved, That the questions concerning ratification of the foregoing proposed amendment to the constitution be stated on the ballot as follows:

Question 1: "Photographic identification for voting. Shall section 1m of article III of the constitution be created to require that voters present valid photographic identification verifying their identity in order to vote in any election, subject to exceptions which may be established by law?"

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT AS TO THE QUESTION

The Wisconsin Constitution provides that "[o]nly a United States citizen age 18 or older who is a resident of an election district in this state is a qualified elector of that district who may vote in an election for national, state, or local office or at a statewide or local referendum." Wis. Const. art. III, § 2. The referendum question would add a new provision to Wis. Const. art. III to require that voters present valid photographic identification to exercise their rights as electors.

The proposed constitutional text would provide that acceptable photographic identification must be "issued by this state, the federal government, a federally recognized American Indian tribe or band in this state, or a college or university in this state." The proposal therefore would exclude identification such as out-of-state driver's licenses and tribal identification issued by non-Wisconsin tribes.

The proposal would allow, but not require, the legislature to create exceptions to the identification requirement. Courts have held that some exceptions are required by the U.S. Constitution. The proposal would also prevent future legislatures from repealing statutory photographic identification requirements altogether.

A "yes" vote would vote to create a new article III, section 1m of the Wisconsin Constitution to require voters to present "valid photographic identification" in order to vote.

A "no" vote would vote not to create the new constitutional provision.

DONE in the County of Barron, this 26th day of March, 2025.

Jessica Hodek, Barron County Clerk

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