

## NOTICE OF PRIMARY ELECTION SCOTLAND COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

The statewide primary election will be held on Tuesday, March 3, 2026.

**Voters will be asked to show photo ID when they vote.** All voters will be allowed to vote with or without ID. Voters who lack ID can get one for free from their county board of elections. Find out more at [ncsbe.gov/voter-id](https://ncsbe.gov/voter-id).

Polls will be open from 6:30 AM to 7:30 PM on Election Day. All poll locations are the same except for Precinct 2. Precinct 2 has been moved from the Learning Center to South Johnson Elementary School Gym located at 13100 Old Johns Road, Laurinburg, NC. All registered voters from Precinct 2 will get an updated voter card with the new address.

Early voting will be held at the following location from Thursday, February 12, 2026, through Saturday, February 28, 2026 during the hours listed:

- Scotland County Board of Elections Conference Room located at 231 E. Cronly Street, Laurinburg, NC 28352
  - February 12 – February 27, 2026 (M-F) 8 AM – 7:30 PM
  - February 28, 2026 (Saturday) 8 AM – 3 PM

Absentee ballots will be mailed to voters who have requested them beginning January 12, 2026. Absentee ballots must be received by the county board of elections no later than 7:30 PM on March 3, 2026. A voter can fill out an absentee ballot request at [votebymail.ncsbe.gov](https://votebymail.ncsbe.gov), or by filling out a request form provided by the county board of elections office. The request must be received through the website or by the Scotland County Board of Elections by 5 PM February 17, 2026. The Election Board will meet at 5:00 PM on the following dates to review any returned absentee ballots: January 27, February 3, February 10, February 17, February 24, March 2 and March 3, 2026. Also, on March 6 at 12:00 PM the Election Board will meet to review any absentee cure documentation for civilian and UOCAVA voters.

In the primary election, voters will select nominees for a political party to move on to the general election on November 3rd. **Contests on the ballot include U.S. Senate, U.S. House, N.C. Supreme Court Associate Justice, N.C. Court of Appeals Judge, District Court Judge, N.C. House and Senate, and county offices.** In the primary, voters affiliated with a political party will be given a ballot of candidates for their party, if their party has a primary. Unaffiliated voters may choose to vote in any party's primary, but they may select only one party's ballot.

The voter registration deadline for this election is 5 PM Friday, February 6, 2026. Eligible individuals who are not registered by that deadline may register and vote at any early voting site during the early voting period. Individuals registering to vote at an early voting site will be required to provide current documentation of their residence (for example, a government ID, other government document, or a paycheck, bank statement, or utility bill). Voters who wish to change party affiliation must do so by the February 6 deadline.

Questions? Call the Scotland County Board of Elections Office at 910-277-2595 or send an email to [Elections@scotlandcounty.org](mailto:Elections@scotlandcounty.org).

Damion L. Butler, Chair  
Scotland County Board of Elections

Run Dates: January 17, January 21, January 31 and February 4, 2026