

August 4, 2026 Primary Election

The State of Michigan and Ottawa County will nominate candidates at the August 4, 2026 State Primary Election.

Note: All partisan offices will appear on the primary ballot. Certain non-partisan offices may also appear on the primary ballot depending on the number of candidates who file for office.

All federal, statewide, and state legislative candidates that file with the Michigan Secretary of State's Bureau of Elections will appear on the candidate list at www.mi.gov/vote.

Offices to be nominated on August 4, 2026

Jurisdiction	Office	District	Party	Term	Positions
State of Michigan	Governor	At Large	Partisan	4 years	1 position
State of Michigan	United States Senator	At Large	Partisan	6 years	1 position
State of Michigan	Representative in Congress	2nd District	Partisan	2 years	1 position
State of Michigan	Representative in Congress	3rd District	Partisan	2 years	1 position
State of Michigan	Representative in Congress	4th District	Partisan	2 years	1 position
State of Michigan	Senator	30th District	Partisan	4 years	1 position
State of Michigan	Senator	31st District	Partisan	4 years	1 position
State of Michigan	Senator	33rd District	Partisan	4 years	1 position
State of Michigan	Representative	43rd District	Partisan	2 years	1 position
State of Michigan	Representative	85th District	Partisan	2 years	1 position
State of Michigan	Representative	86th District	Partisan	2 years	1 position
State of Michigan	Representative	88th District	Partisan	2 years	1 position
State of Michigan	Representative	89th District	Partisan	2 years	1 position
Crockery Township	Trustee	At Large	Partisan	Partial Term	2 positions
Polkton Charter Township	Clerk	At Large	Partisan	Partial Term	1 position
Robinson Township	Clerk	At Large	Partisan	Partial Term	1 position
Zeeland Charter Township	Supervisor	At Large	Partisan	Partial Term	1 position
Zeeland Charter Township	Clerk	At Large	Partisan	Partial Term	1 position
Zeeland Charter Township	Trustee	At Large	Partisan	Partial Term	1 position
Various Precincts	Precinct Delegate	Precinct-level	Partisan	2 years	Varies

List of Candidates

Jurisdiction	Office	District	Party	Term	Positions	Incumbent	First Name	Last Name	Address	City/State/Zip	Filing Date	Filing Method
State of Michigan	Governor	At Large	Republican	4 years	1 position	No	Tom	Leonard	1577 Sanborn Dr.,	DeWitt, MI 48820	4/15/2026	Withdrew
State of Michigan	Governor	At Large	Democrat	4 years	1 position	No	Jocelyn	Benson	23133 Woodward Ave., #116	Ferdale, MI 48220	4/16/2026	Petitions
State of Michigan	Governor	At Large	Republican	4 years	1 position	No	Ralph	Rebandt	6551 Tittabawassee Trl.,	Elmira, MI 49730	4/16/2026	Disqualified
State of Michigan	Governor	At Large	Democrat	4 years	1 position	No	Christopher Robert	Swanson	P.O. Box 320053,	Flint, MI 48509	4/17/2026	Petitions
State of Michigan	Governor	At Large	Republican	4 years	1 position	No	Mike	Cox	35282 Milana,	Livonia, MI 48152	4/20/2026	Petitions
State of Michigan	Governor	At Large	Republican	4 years	1 position	No	John	James	54439 Ridgeview Dr.,	Shelby Township, MI 48316	4/20/2026	Petitions
State of Michigan	Governor	At Large	Democrat	4 years	1 position	No	Kim	Thomas	35 Bowen Ave,	Battle Creek, MI 49037	4/21/2026	Disqualified
State of Michigan	Governor	At Large	Republican	4 years	1 position	No	Aric	Nesbitt	239 East Michigan #286	Paw Paw, MI 49079	4/21/2026	Petitions
State of Michigan	Governor	At Large	Republican	4 years	1 position	No	Perry	Johnson	297 Canterbury Rd,	Bloomfield Twp, MI 48304	4/21/2026	Petitions
State of Michigan	United States Senator	At Large	Democrat	6 years	1 position	No	Haley	Stevens	33717 Woodward Ave., #539	Birmingham, MI 48009	4/10/2026	Petitions
State of Michigan	United States Senator	At Large	Democrat	6 years	1 position	No	Mallory	McMorrow	P.O. Box 226,	Royal Oak, MI 48068	4/13/2026	Petitions
State of Michigan	United States Senator	At Large	Democrat	6 years	1 position	No	Abdul	El-Sayed	P.O. Box 126,	St Clair Shores, MI 48080	4/14/2026	Petitions
State of Michigan	United States Senator	At Large	Republican	6 years	1 position	No	Mike	Rogers	P.O. Box 132,	St Joseph, MI 49085	4/17/2026	Petitions
State of Michigan	United States Senator	At Large	Republican	6 years	1 position	No	Bernadette	Smith	2276 Pleasant Pond DR SW,	Byron Center, MI 49315	4/24/2026	Disqualified
State of Michigan	Representative in Congress	2nd District	Republican	2 years	1 position	Yes	John	Moolenaar	PO Box 105	Caledonia, MI 49316	3/17/2026	Petitions
State of Michigan	Representative in Congress	2nd District	Democrat	2 years	1 position	No	Clyde	Welford	560 Lynn St.,	Baldwin, MI 49304	4/17/2026	Petitions
State of Michigan	Representative in Congress	2nd District	Democrat	2 years	1 position	No	Ben	Ambrose	1500 186th Ave.,	Hesperia, MI 49421	4/21/2026	Petitions
State of Michigan	Representative in Congress	2nd District	Democrat	2 years	1 position	No	Jamie	Hill	PO Box 72	Fremont, MI 49412	4/21/2026	Petitions
State of Michigan	Representative in Congress	3rd District	Democrat	2 years	1 position	Yes	Hillary	Scholten	P.O. Box 6233	Grand Rapids, MI 49516	4/20/2026	Petitions
State of Michigan	Representative in Congress	3rd District	Republican	2 years	1 position	No	Ryan	Cushman	13936 Windemere Dr NW,	Grand Rapids, MI 49534	4/20/2026	Petitions
State of Michigan	Representative in Congress	3rd District	Republican	2 years	1 position	No	Terri	DeBoer	2544 Ravines Trail Dr. SW,	Byron Center, MI 49315	4/20/2026	Petitions
State of Michigan	Representative in Congress	4th District	Democrat	2 years	1 position	No	Diop	Harris II	35 Magnolia Ave.,	Battle Creek, MI 49017	4/13/2026	Petitions
State of Michigan	Representative in Congress	4th District	Democrat	2 years	1 position	No	Sean	McCann	4041 E Hillandale Dr.,	Kalamazoo, MI 49008	4/14/2026	Petitions
State of Michigan	Representative in Congress	4th District	Republican	2 years	1 position	Yes	Bill	Huizenga	14071 Georgian Bay Dr.,	Holland, MI 49424	4/20/2026	Petitions
State of Michigan	Representative in Congress	4th District	Republican	2 years	1 position	No	Philp	Tanis	286 E 19th St	Holland, MI 49423	4/21/2026	Petitions
State of Michigan	Senator	30th District	Republican	4 years	1 position	Yes	Mark E.	Huizenga	3841 Butterworth St SW	Walker, MI 49534	12/22/2025	Filing Fee
State of Michigan	Senator	30th District	Democrat	4 years	1 position	No	Carol	Glanville	1878 Stratford Ln NW,	Grand Rapids, MI 49534	4/14/2026	Filing Fee
State of Michigan	Senator	30th District	Democrat	4 years	1 position	No	Rickie	Kreuzer	68 Ransom Ave NE Apt 505,	Grand Rapids, MI 49503	4/21/2026	Filing Fee
State of Michigan	Senator	31st District	Republican	4 years	1 position	No	Kevin J.	Maas	1904 Goldeneye Dr	Holland, MI 49424	11/25/2024	Filing Fee
State of Michigan	Senator	31st District	Democrat	4 years	1 position	No	Chris	Kleinjans	PO Box 1166	Holland, MI 49422	8/20/2025	Filing Fee
State of Michigan	Senator	31st District	Republican	4 years	1 position	No	Michael J.	Markey Jr	PO Box 492	Spring Lake, MI 49456	2/13/2026	Filing Fee
State of Michigan	Senator	31st District	Republican	4 years	1 position	No	John	Wetzel	13330 Rich St.,	Grand Haven, MI 49417	4/16/2026	Filing Fee
State of Michigan	Senator	31st District	Democrat	4 years	1 position	No	Keagan	Host	1057 Fairfield Dr.,	Hudsonville, MI 49426	4/20/2026	Filing Fee
State of Michigan	Senator	33rd District	Republican	4 years	1 position	No	Joseph D.	Fox	PO Box 33	Fremont, MI 49412	6/3/2025	Filing Fee

