

Endorsements for August 2026 Primary Elections

The Governing Board of Better Schools for Missouri has announced their endorsements for the upcoming 2026 Primary Election.

The Board based their decisions on the voting records of incumbents, survey responses from candidates, and input from local school leaders.

The following candidates have been recommended for the primary election. The primary election will be held on August 4, 2026.

Leaders from the following organizations comprise the Better Schools for Missouri Governing Board:

- Missouri Association of School Administrators
- Missouri Association of Elementary School Principals
- Missouri Association of Secondary School Principals
- Missouri Association of School Business Officials
- Missouri Council of Career & Technical Administrators

The organization was founded in 1991 to allow members of these organizations and others who support public education to engage in the political process and support candidates that value public education.

2026 Primary Election Endorsements - Senate		
District 4	Gina Mitten	Democrat
District 6	Rudy Veit	Republican
District 8	Keri Ingle	Democrat
District 10	Mike Deering	Republican
District 12	Rusty Black	Republican
District 14	Raychel Proudie	Democrat
District 16	Bill Hardwick	Republican
District 18	Greg Sharpe	Republican
District 24	Tracy McCreery	Democrat
District 28	Brad Pollitt	Republican
District 30	Betsy Fogle	Democrat
District 32	Jill Carter	Republican
2026 Primary Election Endorsements - House		
District 1	Jeff Farnan	Republican
District 2	Phil Fox	Republican
District 3	Jeremy Mosley	Republican
District 4	Keith Gudehus	Republican
District 5	Roth McElvain	Republican
District 9	Dean VanSchoiack	Republican
District 12	Tracey Steele	Democrat
District 14	Ashley Aune	Democrat
District 15	Ken Jamison	Democrat
District 16	Chris Brown	Republican
District 18	Eric Woods	Democrat
District 21	Will Jobe	Democrat
District 22	Yolanda Young	Democrat
District 24	Kevin Garner	Democrat
District 25	Pattie Mansur	Democrat
District 27	Melissa Douglas	Democrat
District 28	Donna Barnes	Democrat
District 29	Tedi Rowland	Democrat
District 30	Kevin Grover	Democrat
District 34	Kemp Strickler	Democrat
District 36	Anthony Ealy	Democrat
District 38	Marty Jacobs	Democrat
District 41	Doyle Justus	Republican
District 45	Kathy Steinhoff	Democrat
District 46	David Tyson Smith	Democrat
District 47	Adrian Plank	Democrat
District 50	Gregg Bush	Democrat
District 53	Terry Thompson	Republican
District 54	Brandon Phelps	Republican
District 58	Willard Haley	Republican
District 59	Glenn Reynolds	Republican
District 61	Bruce Sassmann	Republican
District 62	Sherri Gallick	Republican
District 66	Theresa Hester	Democrat

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District 68	Kem Smith	Democrat
District 70	Stephanie Boykin	Democrat
District 71	Nicole Greer	Democrat
District 72	Patrick Wroblewski	Democrat
District 74	Marla Smith	Democrat
District 75	Chanel Mosley	Democrat
District 76	Marlon Anderson	Democrat
District 77	Kimberly-Ann Collins	Democrat
District 78	Marty Murray	Democrat
District 80	Elizabeth Fuchs	Democrat
District 81	Jimmy Lappe	Democrat
District 82	Nick Kimble	Democrat
District 83	Ray Reed	Democrat
District 84	Del Taylor	Democrat
District 85	Yolanda Fountain Henderson	Democrat
District 86	Jeff Hales	Democrat
District 87	Connie Steinmetz	Democrat
District 90	Mark Boyko	Democrat
District 91	Jo Doll	Democrat
District 92	Michael Burton	Democrat
District 93	Bridget Walsh Moore	Democrat
District 98	Jaclyn Zimmermann	Democrat
District 100	Mary Ann Perkins	Democrat
District 104	Tara Murray	Democrat
District 119	Brad Banderaman	Republican
District 123	Jeff Verneti	Republican
District 129	Stan Coday	Republican
District 135	John Michael Chiles	Democrat
District 136	Stephanie Hein	Democrat
District 144	Tony Harbison	Republican
District 147	John Voss	Republican
District 150	Cameron Bunting Parker	Republican
District 151	Steve Jordan	Republican
District 153	Keith Elliott	Republican