

FOR CITY OF ROCKFORD VOTERS

Following is a complete set of specimen ballots for the General Primary Election, March 17, 2026. Voters will be eligible to vote in the districts as indicated on their valid voter identification card.

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

TO VOTE, COMPLETE THE OVAL TO THE LEFT OF YOUR CHOICE, LIKE THIS:

To cast a write-in vote, complete the oval to the left of the blank space provided and print the candidate's name in that space. For specific write-in instructions, refer to the card of instructions provided in the booth. If you tear, soil, deface or erroneously mark this ballot, return it to the Election Judge and obtain another.

DEMOCRATIC PARTY SPECIMEN BALLOT

I hereby certify the following specimen ballot is a true and correct copy of the Democratic Party Official Ballot to be voted in the General Primary Election to be held in the City of Rockford, Illinois on March 17, 2026.



Executive Director
Board of Election Commissioners

FEDERAL

FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR

(Vote for one)

- KEVIN RYAN
- ROBIN KELLY
- JULIANA STRATTON
- RAJA KRISHNAMOORTHI
- STEVE BOTSFORD JR.
- BRYAN MAXWELL
- JONATHAN DEAN
- SEAN BROWN
- AWISI A. BUSTOS
- CHRISTOPHER SWANN
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Write-in

STATE

FOR GOVERNOR AND LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

(Vote for one)

- JB PRITZKER AND CHRISTIAN MITCHELL

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL

(Vote for one)

- KWAME RAOU

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE

(Vote for one)

- ALEXI GIANNOLIAS

STATE

FOR COMPTROLLER

(Vote for one)

- KARINA VILLA
- STEPHANIE A. KIFOWIT
- HOLLY KIM
- MARGARET CROKE

FOR TREASURER

(Vote for one)

- MICHAEL W. FRERICHS

CONGRESSIONAL

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS SIXTEENTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

(Vote for one)

- PAUL NOLLEY

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS SEVENTEENTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

(Vote for one)

- ERIC SORENSEN

FOR STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEEPERSON SIXTEENTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

(Vote for not more than two)

- KEVIN LAMM
- PATRICK CORTESI
- KIM ARMSTRONG

FOR STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEEPERSON SEVENTEENTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

(Vote for not more than two)

- MAURICE A. WEST II
- PAMELA DAVIDSON

LEGISLATIVE

FOR STATE SENATOR

THIRTY-FIFTH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

(Vote for one)

- SARAH B. MERTENS

FOR STATE SENATOR

FORTY-FIFTH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

(Vote for one)

- JOSEPH H. "JOE" BERNING

REPRESENTATIVE

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

SIXTY-SEVENTH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT

(Vote for one)

- MAURICE A. WEST II

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

SIXTY-EIGHTH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT

(Vote for one)

- DAVE VELLA

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

SIXTY-NINTH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT

(Vote for one)

- PETER JANKO

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

EIGHTY-NINTH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT

(Vote for one)

NO CANDIDATE

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

NINETYETH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT

(Vote for one)

- JOHN PING

COUNTY

FOR COUNTY CLERK

(Vote for one)

NO CANDIDATE

FOR TREASURER

(Vote for one)

- THERESA GRENNAN

FOR SHERIFF

(Vote for one)

NO CANDIDATE

REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION

FOR REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

(BOONE AND WINNEBAGO COUNTIES)

(Vote for one)

- NO CANDIDATE

FOR REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

(LEE, OGLE AND WHITESIDE COUNTIES)

(Vote for one)

NO CANDIDATE

SPECIMEN BALLOT (cont) General Primary Election – March 17, 2026

COUNTY BOARD

FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD

DISTRICT ONE
(Vote for one)

NO CANDIDATE

FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD

DISTRICT FIVE
(Vote for one)

DAVID TASSONI

FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD

DISTRICT EIGHT
(Vote for one)

ERIC WEST

FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD

DISTRICT NINE
(Vote for one)

NO CANDIDATE

FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD

DISTRICT TEN
(Vote for one)

MICHAEL SUERTH, JR.

SULLY CADENGO

FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD

DISTRICT TWELVE
(Vote for one)

FREDDY De La TRINIDAD

BARRIOS ISIDRO

FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD

DISTRICT FOURTEEN
(Vote for one)

TIMOTHY NABORS JR.

FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD

DISTRICT FIFTEEN
(Vote for one)

Write-in

JUDICIAL

FOR JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT FIRST SUBCIRCUIT

(To fill the vacancy of the Hon. John S. Lowry)
(Vote for one)

PAUL CARPENTER

ERIN C. HANNIGAN

FOR JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SECOND SUBCIRCUIT

(To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Eugene Doherty)
(Vote for one)

NO CANDIDATE

PRECINCT COMMITTEEPERSON

FOR PRECINCT COMMITTEEPERSON

(Vote for one)

Candidates from the following list

ward 2 pct 5 MICHAEL SUERTH, JR.
ward 3 pct 1 BRADFORD BENEDICT
ward 3 pct 5 MAURICE A. WEST II
ward 3 pct 6 CHARLES H LASKONIS
ward 3 pct 7 CATHERINE VALDEZ DOYLE
ward 4 pct 3 CARL WASCO
ward 4 pct 4 JOHN M. NELSON
ward 5 pct 1 VALERIE HANSERD
ward 5 pct 2 VALERI DeCASTRIS
ward 5 pct 4 VICTORY BELL
ward 5 pct 5 GERALD O. ALBERT
ward 6 pct 1 BETTI CALDWELL
ward 6 pct 5 PAMELA STUTZEL
ward 7 pct 1 KATHY TALL
ward 8 pct 3 KAREN HOFFMAN
ward 9 pct 4 HILLARY LASKONIS
ward 11 pct 1 JOSE L. TORRES
LUIS ESPADA
ward 11 pct 2 THERESA McLAIN
ward 11 pct 3 JAIME J. SALGADO
MELANIE K. BARRIOS
ward 11 pct 4 FREDDY De La TRINIDAD
ward 12 pct 1 KYLEE D. MILLER
ward 12 pct 4 NICHOLAS ROBERSON
ward 13 pct 2 LaKESHIA WINGO
ward 13 pct 3 TAMIR BELL
JEFFREY BAILEY
ward 13 pct 5 GWEN LASHOCK
ward 14 pct 3 LITESA WALLACE

PUBLIC QUESTION

RESOLUTION TO SUBMIT AN ADVISORY REFERENDUM TO THE VOTERS OF WINNEBAGO COUNTY, ILLINOIS REGARDING THE FEDERAL SCHOLARSHIP TAX CREDIT

"Shall Illinois opt into a federal program that would provide Public K-12, private school, and homeschool students with privately - donated funds for academic needs, such as tutoring and test preparation, educational therapies for students with disabilities, tuition, books, exam fees or for other specified academic needs?"

YES

NO

PROPOSITION TO IMPOSE COUNTY SCHOOL SALES TAX

"Shall a retailers' occupation tax and a service occupation tax (commonly referred to as a "sales tax") be imposed in The County of Winnebago, Illinois, at a rate of 1% to be used exclusively for school facility purposes, school resource officers, and mental health professionals?"

YES

NO

REPUBLICAN PARTY SPECIMEN BALLOT

I hereby certify the following specimen ballot is a true and correct copy of the Republican Party Official Ballot to be voted in the General Primary Election to be held in the City of Rockford, Illinois on March 17, 2026.

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Board of Election Commissioners

FEDERAL

FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR

(Vote for one)

CASEY CHLEBEK

DON TRACY

R. CARY CAPPARELLI

PAMELA DENISE LONG

JIMMY LEE TILLMAN, II

JEANNIE EVANS

STATE

FOR GOVERNOR AND LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

(Vote for one)

TED DABROWSKI AND
CARRIE MENDOZA

JAMES MENDRICK AND
ROBERT RENTERIA

DARREN BAILEY AND
AARON B. DEL MAR

RICK HEIDNER AND
CHRISTINA NEITZKE-TROIKI

Write-in

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL

(Vote for one)

ROBERT W. FIORETTI

SPECIMEN BALLOT (cont.) General Primary Election – March 17, 2026

STATE	REPRESENTATIVE	COUNTY BOARD
FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for one)	FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SIXTY-SEVENTH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT (Vote for one)	FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT ONE (Vote for one)
<input type="radio"/> WALTER ADAMCZYK	<input type="radio"/> NO CANDIDATE	<input type="radio"/> AARON BOOKER
<input type="radio"/> DIANE M. HARRIS	FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SIXTY-EIGHTH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT (Vote for one)	FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT FIVE (Vote for one)
FOR COMPTROLLER (Vote for one)	<input type="radio"/> KATHY EASTON	<input type="radio"/> NO CANDIDATE
<input type="radio"/> BRYAN DREW	FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SIXTY-NINTH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT (Vote for one)	FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT EIGHT (Vote for one)
FOR TREASURER (Vote for one)	<input type="radio"/> JOE C. SOSNOWSKI	<input type="radio"/> CHAD BRYDEN
<input type="radio"/> Write-in	FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY EIGHTY-NINTH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT (Vote for one)	FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT NINE (Vote for one)
CONGRESSIONAL	<input type="radio"/> VICTORIA ONORATO	<input type="radio"/> JOHN PENNEY
FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS SIXTEENTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for one)	<input type="radio"/> TONY M. McCOMBIE	FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT TEN (Vote for one)
<input type="radio"/> DARIN LaHOOD	FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY NINETYTHIRD REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT (Vote for one)	<input type="radio"/> DAVID PEYTON
<input type="radio"/> Write-in	<input type="radio"/> JOHN M. CABELLO	FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT TWELVE (Vote for one)
FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS SEVENTEENTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for one)	COUNTY	<input type="radio"/> NO CANDIDATE
<input type="radio"/> DILLAN S. VANCIL	FOR COUNTY CLERK (Vote for one)	FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT FOURTEEN (Vote for one)
<input type="radio"/> JULIE BICKELHAUPT	<input type="radio"/> LORI GUMMOW	<input type="radio"/> NO CANDIDATE
LEGISLATIVE	FOR TREASURER (Vote for one)	JUDICIAL
FOR STATE SENATOR THIRTY-FIFTH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT (Vote for one)	<input type="radio"/> NO CANDIDATE	FOR JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT FIRST SUBCIRCUIT (To fill the vacancy of the Hon. John S. Lowry) (Vote for one)
<input type="radio"/> DAVE SYVERSON	FOR SHERIFF (Vote for one)	<input type="radio"/> NO CANDIDATE
FOR STATE SENATOR FORTY-FIFTH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT (Vote for one)	<input type="radio"/> GARY CARUANA	FOR JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SECOND SUBCIRCUIT (To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Eugene Doherty) (Vote for one)
<input type="radio"/> ANDREW S. CHESNEY	REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION	<input type="radio"/> SCOTT ROBINSON
	FOR REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS (BOONE AND WINNEBAGO COUNTIES) (Vote for one)	
	<input type="radio"/> SCOTT BLOOMQUIST	
	FOR REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS (LEE, OGLE AND WHITESIDE COUNTIES) (Vote for one)	
	<input type="radio"/> CHRISTOPHER J. TENNYSON	

**PRECINCT
COMMITTEEPERSON**

FOR PRECINCT COMMITTEEPERSON

(Vote for one)

Candidates from the following list

ward 1 pct 4 DANETTE MAYNARD
ward 1 pct 6 LELAND FREBERG
ward 1 pct 7 SARA SALBERG
ward 1 pct 8 ALLAN BENSON
ward 2 pct 5 JOHN K. WATTON
DAVID HALE
ward 2 pct 6 JEFFREY LEE
ward 3 pct 1 SCOTT CARTER
ward 3 pct 2 ABIGAIL ROZANAS
ward 3 pct 3 CAROLYN WELLS
ward 4 pct 1 JOSIP "BOS" BILICH
ward 4 pct 4 FORT A. ZACKARY III
ward 4 pct 6 ALLEN MURPHY
ward 4 pct 8 KATHY EASTON
ward 5 pct 3 WRITE-IN
ward 7 pct 4 HASSAN MUHAMMAD
ward 8 pct 4 RACHAEL VYBORNY
ward 10 pct 3 DAVID PEYTON
ward 10 pct 6 MICHAEL E. O'TOOLE
ward 10 pct 7 RAY MONTELONGO
ward 11 pct 5 KATHLEEN DAVIS
ward 12 pct 1 LINDA JOHNSON
ward 12 pct 4 GEOFFREY PAGE
ward 14 pct 2 JUAN REYES
ward 14 pct 5 JULIE DANIELSON

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YES



NO

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YES



NO



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