Notice of General Election and Sample Ballots

November 3, 2026

Office of the Marquette County Clerk

To the voters of Marquette County

Notice is hereby given of a general election to be held in the several wards in Marquette County, on November 3, 2026, at which the officers named below shall be chosen. The names of the candidates for each office to be voted for, whose nominations have been certified to or filed in this office, are listed under the title of the office and under the appropriate party or other designation, together with any referendum questions submitted to a vote, 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. If a voter is unable to state their name and

address, an assistant may also do so for the voter.

Where Optical Scan Voting is Used
The voter shall fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to 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 write in the name of the person of their choice in the space provided for a write-in vote and fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to the write-in line. On referendum questions, the voter shall fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to "yes" if in favor of the question, or the voter shall fill in the oval or connect the arrow next to "no" if opposed to the question.

When using an *electronic ballot marking device* ("ImageCast Evolution-ICE") to mark an **optical scan** ballot, the voter shall touch the screen or use the tactile pad 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 touch the screen next to "write-in" and type in the name of the person of their choice. On referendum questions, the voter shall touch the screen at "yes" if in favor of the question, or the voter shall touch the screen at "no" if opposed to the question.

Spoiling 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 a security sleeve so the marks do not show. The voter shall then insert the ballot in the voting device or deliver the ballot to an inspector for deposit. If a central count system is used, the voter shall insert the ballot in the ballot box 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:

Please note: Depending on what school district you live in, you may see a school district referendum(s) on the ballot. The following school districts in Marquette County have referendums: Montello, Westfield, Princeton, Pardeeville, Wisconsin Dells, and Markesan.

Montello: Shall the Montello School District, Marquette and Green Lake Counties, Wisconsin be authorized to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by $2,000,000 in each year for the 2026-2027 school year, the 2027-2028 school year, the 2028-2029 school year and the 2029-2030 school year, for non-recurring purposes consisting of operational and maintenance expenses, including for educational programming, facility maintenance and employee compensation and benefits?

Westfield: Shall the School District of Westfield, Marquette, Waushara and Adams Counties, Wisconsin be authorized to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by $1,400,000 per year for five years, beginning with the 2026-2027 school year and ending with the 2030-2031 school year, for non-recurring purposes consisting of operational expenses related to transportation, staffing, academic programming, curriculum updates, and career/trade pathways?

Princeton: Question 1: Shall the School District of Princeton, Green Lake and Marquette Counties, Wisconsin be authorized to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by $575,000 for the 2027-2028 school year and by $1,200,000 per year for three years, beginning with the 2028-2029 school year and ending with the 2030-2031 school year, for non-recurring purposes consisting of costs associated with educational programming and staffing, ongoing maintenance and operations?

Princeton: Question 2: Shall the School District of Princeton, Green Lake and Marquette Counties, Wisconsin be authorized to issue pursuant to Chapter 67 of the Wisconsin Statutes, general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed $14,000,000 for the public purpose of paying the cost of a school facility improvement project consisting of: district-wide safety and security improvements, including construction of secure entrances, building systems, infrastructure and capital maintenance improvements; renovations to instructional spaces; site and track improvements; and acquisition of furnishings, fixtures and equipment?

Pardeeville: Shall the Pardeeville Area School District, Columbia and Marquette Counties, Wisconsin be authorized to issue pursuant to Chapter 67 of the Wisconsin Statutes, general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed $13,100,000 for the public purpose of paying the cost of a school facility improvement project consisting of: construction of an addition and renovations at the Middle/High School, including for classrooms and instructional space, restrooms, a cafeteria and a safe and secure entrance; demolition of the Balliet building; renovations at the High School, including to restrooms and for expansion of the existing kitchen/cafeteria; district-wide capital improvement projects identified in the district's capital improvement plan; and acquisition of furnishings, fixtures and equipment?

Wisconsin Dells: Shall the School District of Wisconsin Dells, Sauk, Adams, Columbia, Juneau and Marquette Counties, Wisconsin be authorized to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by $1,800,000 beginning with the 2026-2027 school year, for recurring purposes consisting of maintaining current elementary, middle and high school class sizes, technology equipment, existing career and technical education programming, along with operational costs associated with all school buildings?

Markesan: Shall the Markesan District Schools be authorized to exceed state revenue limits on a non-recurring basis by $700,000.00 in each of four (4) consecutive years for the 2026-27, 2027-28, 2028-29, and 2029-30 school years to maintain school district programs and operations?

Kiley Lloyd, Marquette County Clerk