

PUBLIC NOTICE

CANVASSING BOARD AND L&A SCHEDULE

PRIMARY ELECTION, AUGUST 18, 2026

The following is the *tentative* schedule of meetings for the 2026 Primary Election. All meetings will be held at the Supervisor of Elections Election Center, 4132 Okeechobee Road, Fort Pierce. Anyone who would like to speak during the public comment period or provide documents to the Canvassing Board to review, must complete the Public Comment form during sign in at the meeting and provide to the receptionist at the Election Center.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Florida Statutes 101.572 and 101.5614, a candidate, a political party official or a political committee official or a designee thereof may review ballot materials by completing the Request to Review Ballot Materials and Affidavit form. The form must be submitted to the Supervisor of Elections office 48 hours prior to the applicable meeting date to permit access. To obtain a form or for additional information, please email elections@stlucievotes.gov.

CANVASSING BOARD MEMBERS

The Honorable Daryl Isenhower, County Judge (Chair)
The Honorable Cathy Townsend, County Commissioner
The Honorable Gertrude Walker, Supervisor of Elections

CANVASSING BOARD ALTERNATES

The Honorable Edmond Alonzo, County Judge
The Honorable Jeffrey Hendriks, County Judge
The Honorable Lauren Sweet, County Judge

*** Monday, July 13, 2026 – 2:00 pm:** Canvassing Board orientation.

*** Tuesday, July 28, 2026 – 7:00 am:** Convene for Logic and Accuracy Pre-Test of voting equipment pursuant to §101.5612, F.S. – not more than 25 days prior to beginning of early voting (statutory earliest date is July 14, 2026).

*** † ‡ Thursday, August 6, 2026 – 8:00 am:** Reconvene for second L&A if necessary. Immediately following, Canvass of VBM ballots. Pre-scanning of ballots in anticipation of recount or audit. Conduct other canvassing board business as necessary.

† ‡ Monday, August 10, 2026 – 8:00 am: Canvass of VBM ballots. Pre-scanning of ballots in anticipation of recount or audit. Conduct other canvassing board business as necessary.

† Tuesday, August 11, 2026 – 10:00 am: Pre-scanning of Early Voting ballots in anticipation of recount or audit. Conduct other canvassing board business as necessary.

*** † ‡ Wednesday, August 12, 2026 – 8:00 am:** Canvass of VBM ballots. Pre-scanning of ballots in anticipation of recount or audit. Conduct other canvassing board business as necessary.

† Thursday, August 13, 2026 – 10:00 am: Pre-scanning of Early Voting ballots in anticipation of recount or audit. Conduct other canvassing board business as necessary.

† Friday, August 14, 2026 – 10:00 am: Pre-scanning of Early Voting ballots in anticipation of recount or audit. Conduct other canvassing board business as necessary.

*** † ‡ Saturday, August 15, 2026 – 8:00 am:** Canvass of VBM ballots. Pre-scanning of ballots in anticipation of recount or audit. Conduct other canvassing board business as necessary.

† Sunday, August 16, 2026 – 10:00 am: Pre-scanning of Early Voting ballots in anticipation of recount or audit. Conduct other canvassing board business as necessary.

† ‡ **Tuesday, August 18, 2026 – 4:00 pm:** Canvass of VBM ballots. Pre-scanning of ballots in anticipation of recount or audit. Precinct election returns pursuant to §101.048 F.S. – within 30 minutes after the polls close then at least every 45 minutes until all results are completely reported. Conduct other canvassing board business as necessary.

† **Wednesday, August 19, 2026 – 8:00 am:** Pre-scanning of Election Day ballots in anticipation of recount or audit. Conduct other canvassing board business as necessary.

† **Thursday, August 20, 2026 – 8:00 am:** Pre-scanning of Election Day ballots in anticipation of recount or audit. Conduct other canvassing board business as necessary.

† ‡ **Thursday, August 20, 2026 – 4:00 pm:** Canvass Provisional Ballots and Signature Cure Affidavits pursuant to §101.048 F.S. – no later than 5 pm on the 2nd day after any election. Submit Unofficial Results to the Department of State. Conduct other canvassing board business as necessary.

➤ **Friday, August 21, 2026:** Deadline for County Canvassing Boards to file Unofficial Results of the election pursuant to §102.141 F.S. – no later than noon on the 3rd day following the election.

* **Monday, August 24, 2026 – 10:00 am:** Submit Official Results to the Department of State pursuant to §102.112 F.S. – no later than noon on the 8th day following the election. Conduct other canvassing board business as necessary.

➤ **Wednesday, August 26, 2026:** Deadline for County Canvassing Boards to file Official Results of the election pursuant to §102.112 F.S. – no later than noon on the 8th day following the election.

* **Monday, August 31, 2026 – 10:00 am:** Complete the voting system audit and make public the results unless manual recount undertaken pursuant to §102.166, F.S., §101.591, F.S., and Rule 1S-5.025, F.A.C.

➤ **Tuesday, September 1, 2026:** Deadline to complete the voting system audit and make public the results unless manual recount undertaken pursuant to §102.166, F.S., §101.591, F.S., and Rule 1S-5.026, F.A.C. – no later than 11:59 pm on the 7th day following certification of the election by the county canvassing board.

* Meeting dates are subject to change — please visit www.stlucievotes.gov for updates to schedule.

† All ballots are scanned into Clear Ballot, State-certified independent audit system as required by Rule 1S-5.026 and §101.591, F.S.

‡ Public inspection of vote-by-mail ballot certificates and signature verification one hour prior to the canvassing board meeting

➤ Statutory deadline date only

Tentative Schedule in the Event of a Machine or Manual Recount

NO MEETINGS UNLESS NOTIFIED

***Friday, August 21, 2026:** Statutory deadline for county canvassing boards to submit 1st Unofficial Results to the Department of State pursuant to §102.141, F.S. – no later than noon on the 3rd day after a primary election. Reconvene for Logic and Accuracy Pre-Test of Voting Equipment pursuant to §101.5612, F.S. and conduct machine recount if ordered pursuant to §102.141, F.S.

- As soon thereafter (receipt of 1st Unofficial Results), machine recount is ordered by county canvassing board or Department of State, as applicable, if 1st Unofficial Results for Primary Election contest indicate candidate was defeated or eliminated or judicial candidate was retained or not retained or measure was approved or not approved by ½ of 1% unless candidate requests recount not be made pursuant to §102.141, F.S. – machine recount is ordered as soon after 1st Unofficial Results show threshold is triggered.

***Sunday, August 23, 2026:** Statutory deadline for county canvassing boards to file 2nd Unofficial Results to the Department of State, only if machine recount was conducted pursuant to §102.141, F.S. – no later than 3 pm of the 5th day after a primary election. Manual recount will immediately follow the completion of machine recount if needed pursuant to §102.166, F.S.

- As soon thereafter (receipt of 2nd Unofficial Results), manual recount is ordered by county canvassing board or Department of State, as applicable, if 2nd Unofficial Results for General Election contest indicate candidate was defeated or eliminated or judicial candidate was retained or not retained or measure was approved or not approved by ¼ of 1% unless candidate requests recount not be made or number of overvotes and undervotes is fewer than number needed to change the outcome of the election pursuant to §102.166, F.S. – manual recount is ordered only if 2nd Unofficial Results show threshold is triggered.

**All Canvassing Board meetings will be held at the
Supervisor of Elections Office and are open to the public.
4132 Okeechobee Road, Fort Pierce, FL 34947**

If it becomes necessary for the Canvassing Board to suspend or recess a meeting publicly notices for a period lasting more than 60 minutes, a notice will be posted at www.slelections.com with the anticipated time and date at which the Board expects to reconvene. If the Board does not reconvene at the specified time, the Board will provide at least 2 hours' notice, which will be posted on www.slelections.com before reconvening.

Section 101.68(2)(c)4, F.S. provides if any elector or candidate present believes that a VBM ballot is illegal due to a defect apparent on the voter's certificate or the cure affidavit, he or she may, at any time before the ballot is removed from the envelope, file with the Canvassing Board a protest against the canvass of that ballot, specifying the precinct, the ballot, and the reason he or she believes the ballot to be illegal. A challenge based upon a defect in the voter's certificate or cure affidavit may not be accepted after the ballot has been removed from the mailing envelope

In accordance with the Sunshine Laws of Florida, all Canvassing Board meetings are open to the public. Anyone with a disability requiring accommodation to attend this meeting should contact the St. Lucie County Risk Manager at 772-462-1783 or TDD 772- 462-1429/8 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

If any person decides to appeal any decision made with respect to any matter considered at the meetings or hearings of any board, committee, commission, agency, council or advisory group, that person will need a record of the proceedings and that, for such purpose, may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record should include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. Upon the request of any party to the proceedings, individuals testifying during a hearing will be sworn in. Any party to the proceeding will be granted an opportunity to cross-examine any individual testifying during a hearing upon request.