



2026 PRIMARY

Election Date: 03/03/2026

This is an official notice of an election to be conducted in **CATAWBA** County on **03/03/2026**. This notice contains a list of all of the ballot measures and federal, State, and local offices this county expects, as of this date, to be on the ballot on the date of the election. (See Attachment)

An Election Notice will be prepared not later than 100 days before a regularly scheduled election that permits absentee voting, and as soon as practicable in the case of an election or vacancy election not regularly scheduled. For a second primary, an Election Notice will be prepared, no later than the day following the date the appropriate board of elections orders that a second primary be held.

As soon as ballot styles are printed, this county board of elections will update this notice with the certified candidates for each office and ballot measures and referenda questions that will be on the ballot. For General Elections during even-numbered years, ballots will be printed **60 days** prior to the election. For statewide primaries and other elections (except municipal elections), ballots will be printed **50 days** prior to the election. Municipal ballots are available **30 days** prior to Election Day. **You must request an updated Election Notice.**

Transmitting a Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot:

This notice may be used in conjunction with the federal write-in absentee ballot (FWAB). Covered military & U.S. citizens living outside the U.S. seeking to vote by absentee ballot may use the FWAB to register to vote, request an absentee ballot, and vote an official military-overseas ballot. When using the FWAB to register to vote, and/or request an absentee ballot, please transmit your signed and completed FWAB no later than **5:00 p.m. on the day before Election Day**. If submitted later than this day and time, your absentee ballot will not be counted. Federal write-in absentee ballots are available at www.NCSBE.gov. You may also request a regular absentee ballot by using the federal postcard application (FPCA), available at www.FVAP.gov. A regular ballot can be mailed, faxed or emailed to you. You may return the FWAB or a regular absentee ballot by mail, secure fax (1-919-715-0351) or email (absentee@ncsbe.gov).

Marking a Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot:

When marking a FWAB, for each office for which you wish to vote, write in either a candidate's name or political party designation. For ballot measures or referenda, write either "YES" (you are *for* the ballot measure or referendum) or "NO" (you are *against* the ballot measure or referendum). In a primary, if you are registered as Democratic, Green, Libertarian, or Republican, for partisan contests, you may only vote for the candidates of the party for which you are affiliated. You are also eligible to vote for non-partisan contests. If you are registered as unaffiliated ("independent"), in a primary, you may choose to vote for the partisan contests of one of the parties or you may choose to vote for non-partisan contests only. Please contact your local [board of elections](#) to confirm your party affiliation or voter registration status.

Please check the website for the NC State Board of Elections (www.NCSBE.gov) for additional information on military-overseas absentee voting.

**Election Notice Of Contests and Referenda
CATAWBA BOARD OF ELECTIONS (03/03/2026)**

CATAWBA BOARD OF ELECTIONS (03/03/2026)

CANDIDATE NAME	NAME ON BALLOT	PARTY
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US SENATE

US HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT
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NC SUPREME COURT ASSOCIATE JUSTICE
SEAT 01

NC COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE SEAT 01

NC COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE SEAT 02

NC COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE SEAT 03

NC STATE SENATE DISTRICT 45

NC HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT
089

NC HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT
096

NC SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE DISTRICT 19
SEAT 01

CATAWBA BOARD OF ELECTIONS (03/03/2026)

CANDIDATE NAME	NAME ON BALLOT	PARTY
NC SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE DISTRICT 19 SEAT 02		
NC DISTRICT COURT JUDGE DISTRICT 36 SEAT 01		
NC DISTRICT COURT JUDGE DISTRICT 36 SEAT 02		
NC DISTRICT COURT JUDGE DISTRICT 36 SEAT 03		
NC DISTRICT COURT JUDGE DISTRICT 36 SEAT 04		
NC DISTRICT COURT JUDGE DISTRICT 36 SEAT 05		
NC DISTRICT COURT JUDGE DISTRICT 36 SEAT 06		
NC DISTRICT COURT JUDGE DISTRICT 36 SEAT 07		
DISTRICT ATTORNEY DISTRICT 19		
CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS		

CATAWBA BOARD OF ELECTIONS (03/03/2026)

CANDIDATE NAME	NAME ON BALLOT	PARTY
CATAWBA COUNTY CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT		
CATAWBA COUNTY SHERIFF		
CATAWBA COUNTY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION		
HICKORY CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION WARD 01		
HICKORY CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION WARD 02		
HICKORY CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION WARD 03		
HICKORY CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION WARD 05		
NEWTON-CONOVER SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION CONOVER DISTRICT		
NEWTON-CONOVER SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION NEWTON DISTRICT		