NOTICE OF ELECTION

GRAINGER COUNTY PRIMARIES

Pursuant to Code Section 2-12-111 (a) of the Tennessee Election Laws, the Grainger County Election Commission has announced a Republican Primary and a Democratic Primary to be held on Tuesday, May 5, 2026, for the following offices:

OFFICES ON THE BALLOT: FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE Part IV (unexpired term) **CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE Part V (unexpired term)**

COUNTY MAYOR

COUNTY COMMISSION – Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 TRUSTEE

SHERIFF

CIRCUIT COURT CLERK **COUNTY CLERK**

REGISTER OF DEEDS

ROAD SUPERINTENDENT

SCHOOL BOARD - Districts 1, 3, 5 CONSTABLE – two in District 1, one each in Districts 2, 3, 4, 5

Petitions: Prospective candidates can begin picking up Petitions on December 22, 2025. *NOTE: Election Commission will be CLOSED on Wednesday, December 24 – Friday December 26; and

CLOSED on Wednesday, December 31 and Thursday, January 1, 2026.

Qualifying Deadline: The deadline for the County Primary is

Thursday, February 19, 2026, at 12:00 NOON. Any Independent Candidate must qualify by petition on this date as well. NOTE – Independent Candidates will not be placed on the ballot until the August 6, 2026, General Election.

CANDIDATES: MUST QUALIFY through the POST by Thursday, February 5, 2026. (Please check with the Election **Commission Office for information)**

*SHERIFF CANDIDATES and ROAD SUPERINTENDENT

Withdrawal Deadline: February 26, 2026, at 12:00 NOON.

Office Location: 7701 Rutledge Pike, Rutledge, TN 37861 Office Hours: Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. *CLOSED Wed., December 24 - Friday December 26; and CLOSED on Wednesday, December 31 and Thursday,

January 1, 2026. Registration Deadline: Monday, April 6, 2026.



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