

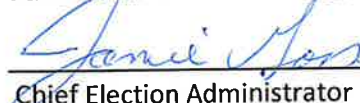
Mail Ballot Written Plan and Timetable

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Type of Election	Trustee/Director/Governing Body ▼		
Name of Jurisdiction (District, Precinct, or Ward)	Grass Range Elementary School District #27		
Name(s) of County(s)	Fergus		
Estimated # of Electors	Active	Inactive	Provisional
	397	30	
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Procedures to Ensure Security and Transport of Ballots School Elections: attach outlined security procedures	Ballots are deposited in a locked ballot box and secured in a locked area, and transported by at least two officials		
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Plan for providing voter interface devices	Provided at the Central Election Office 712 W Main St, Suite 204.		
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2	Date of posting written plan and timetable	No later than 60 days before election	02/25/2026
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7	Beginning of Late Voter Registration	Day after close of regular registration	04/07/2026
8	Date Ballots Mailed	No earlier than 20 days and no later than 15 days before election	04/15/2026
9	ELECTION DAY		05/05/2026

I affirm that I will conduct the election according to the written plan and timetable.



 Chief Election Administrator Conducting Election

 Other County Administrators if Applicable

☐ County Election Admin ☒ School District Clerk

Updated 8/14/2025

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Name(s) of County(s)		Fergus	
Estimated # of Electors	Active	Inactive	Provisional
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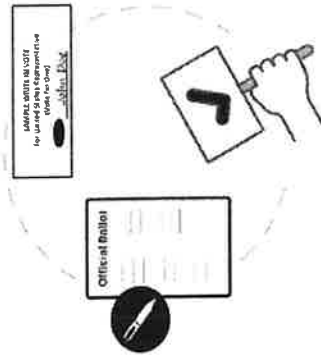
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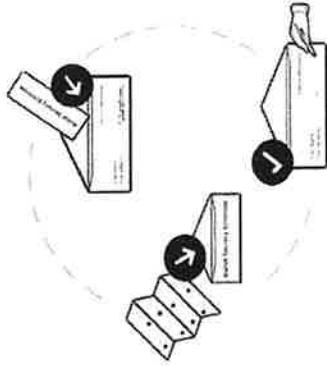
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VOTE YOUR BALLOT



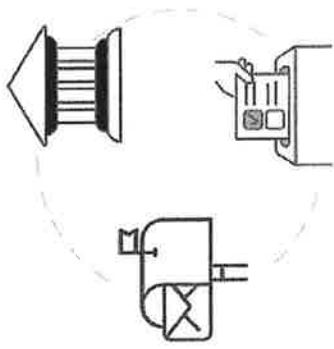
- With a blue or black ink pen, fill in the oval for each race.
 - Skipping a race will not invalidate your ballot
- To write in a candidate's name, completely fill in the oval next to the line and print the name in the blank space. (Note: only the names of candidates who have filed to be write-in candidates will be counted.)
- The following are not allowed:
 - An X, V, or another mark.
 - Crossing out, erasing, or using correction fluid.
 - Any identifying marks on your ballot.
 - Marking more choices than allowed for each race.
- If you make a mistake, request a replacement ballot from your election office.

PREPARE YOUR BALLOT FOR RETURN



- Place and seal the voted ballot in the secrecy envelope.
- Place and seal the secrecy envelope into the return signature envelope.
- Sign your name on the voter affirmation line and write your birth year on the return signature envelope. (Do not sign for another person.)

RETURN YOUR BALLOT



- Mail your ballot. The Postal Service recommends you mail your ballot at least one week before the election. (Note: ___ cents postage required)

OR

- Drop off your ballot at your place of deposit or election office:

ELECTION OFFICE
Fergus County Courthouse, 2nd Fl.

ADDRESS
712 W. Main St., Suite 204

CITY/ZIP
Lewistown, MT 59457



ELECTION VOTING INSTRUCTIONS

VOTED BALLOT MUST BE
RECEIVED (A POSTMARK IS
NOT ACCEPTED) BY
8 P.M. ON ELECTION DAY

OTHER INFORMATION:

- Contact your election office for questions, including assistance for voters with disabilities and information for military voters.

PHONE NUMBER

406-535-5242

EMAIL ADDRESS

clerkrecorder@fergusmt.gov

Failure to follow these instructions may invalidate part or all of your ballot.

Mail Ballot Written Plan and Timetable Guide

The purpose of the mail ballot written plan and timetable is to provide key information to voters about the election and its timeline. This guide serves as a resource outlining legal requirements for conducting a mail ballot election completing the written plan.

1 Date applicable documents sent to governing body

The election administrator shall forward the applicable documents to the governing body no later than 60 days before the election. The applicable documents include: (1) The written plan, (2) statement of decision to conduct election by mail, (3) list of reasons for decision, and (4) statement regarding right of governing body to object under 13-19-204, MCA.

3 Last day for governing body to opt out of mail ballot election

No later than 55 days before the election, the governing body may file a resolution with the election administrator objecting to the election being conducted by mail ballot, 13-19-204, MCA.

5 Publish Notice of Election

Non-school elections: Election administrator shall publish notice of election at least 3 times no earlier than 40 days before and no later than 10 days before election, 13-1-108, MCA.

School elections: Notice must be published at least once, no earlier than 40 days before and no later than 10 days before, in a newspaper, or in 3 public places in the district, or on the district's active website for the 10 days prior to the election, 20-20-204, MCA.

8 Date Ballots Mailed

No sooner than 20 days or later than 15 days before election, 13-19-207, MCA.

Special Requirements: Attach a description of any special requirements, including proportional voting or special eligibility requirements if applicable, ARM 44.3.2702.

2 Date of posting written plan and timetable

The written plan and timetable must be posted to the county election website, or publicly noticed in another way, as outlined in 13-19-205, MCA, at least 60 days prior to the election. A separate plan must be submitted for each type of election. This plan may be amended by the election administrator at any time prior to the 35th day before the election, and any amendments must be noticed in accordance with statute, 13-19-105, MCA.

4 Publish Notice of Close of Regular Registration

Non-school and school elections: Election administrator shall publish notice specifying the day regular registrations will close and the availability of the late registration option at least 3 times in the 4 weeks preceding the close of regular registration, 13-2-301, MCA.

School elections: school clerks running school elections need to coordinate with the county election administrator to have the county election administrator publish the notice of close of registration.

Undeliverable Ballots: If a mail ballot is returned as undeliverable, the election administrator shall attempt to contact the elector to determine the reason for return and mail a confirmation notice if the elector cannot be contacted otherwise, 13-19-313, MCA.