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Notice to Candidates and Party Chairs – November 3, 2026 General Election

This correspondence serves as notice that you or your representative may attend any of the following Board of Elections activities.

All activities take place at the Board of Elections, 435 Smith Street, Rochester NY 14608.

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>
Inspection of Sample Ballots	September 18; ongoing availability for inspection	10:00am
Rolling Canvass of Absentee/Mail Ballots	September 21; until completed	10:00am-5:00pm
Public Inspection of Pre-Election Testing of Voting Machines	October 2: continuing until completed	9:00am-4:30pm
Absentee Public Test	October 16	10:00am
Scanning of Canvassed Absentee Ballots, prior to Election	October 23, November 2	10:00am
Audit of pre-election ABS/EMV	November 7	10:00am
Ruling on Affidavit Ballots	November 9; until completed	10:00am-4:00pm
Review Invalid Absentee, Military, Special, Undeliverable and Defects Not Cured Timely	November 9	2:00pm
Recanvass of machine data cards	November 9; until completed	9:00am-4:00pm
Machine Audit Draw	November 16; continuing 9am-4pm until completed	9:30am
Audit of Early Voting/Election Day Ballots	November 16	10:00am
Scanning of ABS/EMV/Affidavit Ballots	November 20	2:00pm
Audit ABS/EMV/Affidavit Ballots	November 24	2:00pm
Manual Recount (if necessary)	Affected candidates will be notified	

This schedule is subject to Commissioners' adjustments and pending or anticipated court actions. If you have any questions, please contact the Board of Elections at (585) 753-1550.

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Definition of Terms

Inspection	Examine.
Manual Recount	A tabulation and totaling of cast ballot numbers by affected contest done by certified election officials
Canvass	Bi-partisan ballot envelope review and sign-off
Audit	A second tabulation of results through a different election device.
Review	Inspection.
Recanvass	A re-collection of results comparing those results to the initial collection of results.
Scanning	Opening and tabulation of canvassed (reviewed) absentee ballots
Cure	The option provided to correct an election related document.
Sample Ballots	Non-official images of the ballot face.
Affidavit Ballots	Provisional ballots subject to review.