

**BEMIDJI AREA SCHOOLS
BEMIDJI, MINNESOTA**

DATE: MAY 18, 2026
TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION
FROM: ASHLEY EASTRIDGE, CPA, DIRECTOR OF BUSINESS SERVICES
**SUBJECT: RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING DATES FOR FILING
AFFIDAVITS OF CANDIDACY**

COMMENTS:

_____ introduced the following resolution and urged its adoption:

**NOTICE OF FILING DATES FOR ELECTION TO THE SCHOOL BOARD
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 31
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

WHEREAS Minnesota Statutes, section 205A.06 establishes the processes regarding affidavits of candidacy for election to a school board, including the requirement for publishing notice of the first and last dates on which affidavits of candidacy may be filed.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 31 State of Minnesota, as follows:

1. The period for filing affidavits of candidacy for the office of school board member of Independent School District No. 31 shall begin on July 14, 2026 and shall close on July 28, 2026. An affidavit of candidacy must be filed in the office of the school district clerk and the \$2 filing fee paid prior to 5:00 o'clock p.m. on July 28, 2026.
2. The clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice of said filing dates to be published in the official newspaper of the district, at least two (2) weeks prior to the first day to file affidavits of candidacy.
3. The clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice of said filing dates to be posted at the administrative offices of the school district at least ten (10) days prior to the first day to file affidavits of candidacy.
4. The notice of said filing dates shall be in substantially the following form:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the period for filing affidavits of candidacy for the office of school board member of Independent School District No. 31 shall begin on July 14, 2026 and shall close at 5:00 o'clock p.m. on July 28, 2026.

The general election shall be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2026. At that election, three members will be elected to the School Board for terms of four (4) years each.

Affidavits of Candidacy are available from the school district clerk at, (Superintendent's Office) 502 Minnesota Ave NW, Bemidji, MN 56601. The filing fee for this office is \$2. A candidate for this office must be an eligible voter, must be 21 years of age or more or will be upon assuming office, will have

maintained residence in the school district from which the candidate seeks election for thirty (30) days before the general election, and must have no other affidavit on file for any other office at the same primary or next ensuing general election, except as authorized by Minnesota Statutes, section 204B.06, subdivision 9.

The affidavits of candidacy must be filed in the office of the school district clerk and the filing fee paid prior to 5:00 o'clock p.m. on July 28, 2026.

The motion for adoption of the Resolution was made by Member _____, duly seconded by Member _____,

The vote on adoption of the Resolution was as follows:

Aye:

Nay:

Absent:

Whereupon, said Resolution was declared duly adopted by Independent School District No. 31, State of Minnesota, this ____ day of _____, 2026.

By: _____

School Board Chair

By: _____

School Board Clerk

Dated: (_____), 2026

BY ORDER OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

/s/ _____

School Board Clerk