ANNAWAN CUSD 226
2027 SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATE HANDOUT

ELECTION DAY: TUESDAY, APRIL 6, 2027

GEOGRAPHIC RESIDENCY

Since the referendum to elect Board of Education members at large failed in 2024, Annawan CUSD 226 continues to elect Board members based on township residency to ensure geographic representation. No more than three members of the Board may reside in any one township.

CURRENT BOARD OF EDUCATION AND TOWNSHIP REPRESENTATION

1.	**Liz Wied**	Annawan Township
2.	**Kim Park**	Alba Township
3.	**Jeff Gerber**	Yorktown Township
4.	**Kari Kipp**	Annawan Township
5.	**Rima Mounsef**	Annawan Township
6.	**Terry DeMay**	Alba Township
7.	**Emily Dornfeld**	Alba Township

- Blue dot = Member seeking re-election in 2027
- Yellow dots = Current Board members not seeking re-election
- Red dots = Members not in this election cycle

The work of the Board of Education is vital to the success and strength of our school district. If you are interested in serving the Annawan CUSD 226 community as a potential Board member, please use this document as a guide to help you understand the candidacy and election process.

CANDIDATES GUIDE

The Illinois State Board of Elections Candidates Guide is an important resource for anyone considering running for office.

2027 Illinois Candidates Guide

Click here to open the 2027 Illinois Candidates Guide

(PDF link provided by the Illinois State Board of Elections).

Please read this guide carefully for complete information on candidacy requirements, ethics laws, campaign disclosure, and other important responsibilities.

FOR QUESTIONS, CONTACT:

HENRY COUNTY CLERK – ELECTIONS

307 W. Center St.
Cambridge, IL 61238

309-937-3578

The Henry County Clerk's Office is the official source for candidate requirements, petition forms, filing deadlines, and all election-related questions.

Before circulating or filing, confirm Annawan CUSD 226 seat/residency requirements with the Clerk.
This handout is an informational guide, not legal advice. Always use the most current official forms and guidance from the Illinois State Board of Elections and Henry County.

ANNAWAN CUSD 226 — 2027 SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATE TIMELINE

Election Day: Tuesday, April 6, 2027 — Polls: 6:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

AUG 25, 2026
Petition circulation begins
First day school board candidates may circulate nominating petitions.

NOV 16, 2026
Candidate filing opens
First day to file nomination petitions, Statement of Candidacy, and economic-interest receipt with the county clerk.

NOV 23, 2026
Candidate filing closes
Final day to file nomination papers and Statement of Economic Interests receipt.

DEC 2, 2026
Objection / ballot lottery deadline
Last day for petition objections; also the last day for any required ballot-placement lottery.

JAN 28, 2027
Withdrawal deadline
Last day for a candidate to file a Withdrawal of Candidacy.

FEB 4, 2027
Write-in deadline
Last day to file a Declaration of Intent to be a write-in candidate.

APR 6, 2027
CONSOLIDATED ELECTION
Election Day for local school board members.

APR 27, 2027
Canvass deadline
Last day for the county clerk to canvass election results and transmit the results.

IF ELECTED: NEXT IMPORTANT DATES

May 1, 2027
Statement of Economic Interests re-filing guidance applies.

May 17, 2027
Board organization deadline (within 40 days after election).

~ Aug. 1, 2027
Approximate deadline for mandatory Open Meetings Act training.

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Source: IASB 2027 Key Dates for School Board Candidates