

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned Clerk of Ennis School District No. 52, Madison County, State of Montana that the Annual School Election will be held on Tuesday, May 5, 2026, by mail ballot. Ballots may be returned to the following locations, at the following times:

**Location Prior to Election Day:**

**Clerk and Recorder, 103 W. Wallace St., First Floor, Virginia City, MT 59755 and Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

**Location on Election Day:**

**Clerk and Recorder, 103 W. Wallace St., First Floor, Virginia City, MT 59755 and Hours: 7:00 a.m. to 8:0 p.m.**

Electors will consider the following issues at the election:

One trustee to be elected for a three-year term:

Two (2) candidates are running for this position and will be listed on the ballot. They are as follows:  
Laura Blake and Heather Hale

Shall the district be authorized to impose an increase in local taxes to support the general fund in the amount of \$160,905.53. which is approximately .31 mills for the purpose of providing funds to support the General Fund for the proper maintenance and operation of the K-12 Program of the District for the 2026-2027 school year beginning July 1, 2026? Passage of this proposal will increase the taxes on a home with the market value of \$100,000 by approximately \$0.24 per year, on a home with the market value of \$300,000 by approximately \$0.71 per year and on a home with a market value of \$600,000 by approximately \$1.51 per year. An increase in property taxes may lead to an increase in rental costs. The durational limit of the levy is permanent once approved by the voters, assuming the district levies that amount each year thereafter. However, lowering over-BASE tax levies in any year will lower the amount of permissively over-BASE levies in subsequent years.

A qualified registered elector who will be absent from the district during the time the election is being conducted may: a) vote in person in the election administrator's office as soon as the ballots are available and until noon the day before the ballots are scheduled to be mailed; b) make a written request, signed by the applicant and addressed to the election administrator, that the ballot be mailed to an address other than the address that appears on the registration card. The district clerk/election administrator's office is located at:

**103 W. Wallace St, First Floor, Virginia City, MT 59755**

If you miss this regular registration deadline (30 days prior to the election), you may still register for the election by showing up at the county election office by noon on the day before election day. The late registration certificate may be exchanged for a ballot at the school election administrator's office until the close of polls on election day. The county election office is located at:

**103 W. Wallace St, First Floor, Virginia City, MT 59755**

A late registrant may obtain a ballot on election day at the following location:

**103 W. Wallace St, First Floor, Virginia City, MT 59755**

District Clerk: Ginger Martello

DATED this 2nd day of April 2026

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

