

**ORDER OF TRUSTEE ELECTION
FORT DAVIS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**

STATE OF TEXAS §
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COUNTY OF JEFF DAVIS §

1. Pursuant to the Texas Education and Election Codes, and in accordance with the laws and Constitution of the State of Texas, the Board of Trustees ("Board") of the Fort Davis Independent School District ("District") in Jeff Davis County, Texas, hereby calls and orders a general election to be held on Tuesday, the 3rd day of November 2026, for the purpose of electing four (4) trustees to the Board for regular full four (4)-year terms:

Single-Member District 2;
Single-Member District 3;
Single-Member District 4; and
One (1) At-Large Position.

2. The Administration Offices, 401 W. Webster Ave. Fort Davis, TX is hereby designated as the main early voting place, and Jennifer Whitesell is hereby appointed early voting clerk for the election. Requests for ballots by mail should be directed in writing to:

Jennifer Whitesell
PO Box 1339 Fort Davis, TX 79734
jwhitesell@fdisd.com

3. Requests for ballots by mail must be received no later than Friday, October 23, 2026, before the close of regular business or 5:00 p.m., whichever is later. Early voting by personal appearance will be held from Monday, October 19, 2026, through Friday, October 30, 2026, at the times and locations set forth in Exhibit A.

4. Jennifer Whitesell has been appointed Chief Election Official. She is hereby authorized, in conjunction with the Superintendent, to make all arrangements necessary for the holding of said election and to serve as the District's representative for the purpose of coordinating with the election officials from Jeff Davis County to conduct the election in accordance with the laws of this State.

5. All requests by candidates to have their names placed on the ballot for the general election shall be in writing and signed by the candidate and filed with Jennifer Whitesell at the Fort Davis ISD Administration Building, 401 W. Webster Ave., Fort Davis, Texas 79734, or by email to jwhitesell@fdisd.com, along with any other information required by law. Notice of the candidate filing period, including the designated email address for filing, shall be posted no later than Thursday, June 18, 2026. Applications for the general election may be filed on or after Saturday, July 18, 2026, through Monday, August 17, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. Declarations of write-in candidacy for the general election must be filed no later than Friday, August 21, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. The regular office hours for the filing officer beginning July 18, 2026, will be 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Mondays through Fridays. The filing officer's office shall be open from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. on the last day to file, with staff available to accept filings especially between the hours of 2:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.

6. The order in which the names of the candidates are to be printed on the ballot shall be determined by a drawing held in the lobby of the Administration Building as provided by Section 52.094 of the Texas Election Code, as amended. Fort Davis ISD shall post a notice of the date, time, and place of the drawing on the bulletin board used for the notices of meetings of the Board of Trustees of the District. The notice shall remain posted continuously for seventy-two (72) hours immediately preceding the scheduled time of the drawing. Fort Davis ISD shall also mail notice of the date, hour, and place of the drawing to each candidate, at the mail address stated on the candidate's application for a place on the ballot, not later than the fourth (4th) day before the day of the drawing; alternatively, notice may be provided in writing at the time of filing, by telephone if a telephone number is provided on the application, or by email if an email address is provided on the application. Each candidate involved in the drawing, or a representative designated by him or her, shall have a right to be present at the drawing and to draw for a position on the ballot.

7. The candidate receiving the highest number of votes for each respective position shall be deemed to be elected and be entitled to serve as trustee for a four (4)-year term.

8. All election materials including the notice of election, ballots, instruction cards, affidavits, and other forms which the voter may be requested to sign, and all early voting materials, shall be printed in English and Spanish, or Spanish translations thereof shall be made available in the circumstances permitted and in the manner required by law.

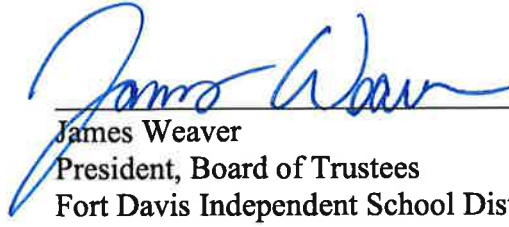
9. The results of the election shall be canvassed by the Board of Trustees not earlier than Friday, November 6, 2026, and not later than Tuesday, November 17, 2026, at a meeting called by the Board of Trustees in accordance with the requirements of the Texas Open Meetings Act. The canvass shall not be conducted until the early voting ballot board has verified and counted all provisional ballots, if any, and all timely-received ballots by mail.

10. A substantial copy of this order shall serve as proper notice of said election. The notice, including a Spanish translation, shall be published at least one time between Sunday, October 4, 2026, and Saturday, October 24, 2026, in a newspaper of general circulation in the District, and shall be posted not later than the 21st day (Tuesday, October 13, 2026) before the election and remain posted continuously through election day on the bulletin board used for the notices of meetings of the Board of Trustees of the District. Notice of the election shall also be posted on the District's website, along with the date of the election, the location of each polling place, the name of each candidate for an elected office on the ballot, and each measure on the ballot, no later than October 13, 2026. The District shall also deliver notice of this election to the Jeff Davis County Clerk and voter registrar not later than the 60th day (Friday, September 4, 2026) before the election.

11. Said election shall be held in accordance with the Texas Election Code and Education Code, as amended, and only resident qualified voters of the Fort Davis Independent School District shall be eligible to vote at said election. The last day to register to vote or make a change of address effective for this election is Monday, October 5, 2026.

12. The polling places for this election shall be open for voting from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Election Day. In accordance with Chapter 43 of the Texas Election Code, as amended, the Board of Trustees hereby designates as polling places for the election the regular county polling places in Jeff Davis County election precincts that contain territory from the District identified in the District's notice of election. The times and locations for early voting and election-day voting in Jeff Davis County are listed in Exhibits A and B.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Board of Trustees of the Fort Davis Independent School District the 4th day of September 2026.


James Weaver
President, Board of Trustees
Fort Davis Independent School District

ATTEST:


Sarah Pate
Secretary, Board of Trustees
Fort Davis Independent School District

(District Seal)

EXHIBIT A

EARLY VOTING - Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted as follows:

LOCATION

**Fort Davis ISD Administration Offices
401 W. Webster Ave.
Fort Davis, TX 79734**

DATES AND TIMES

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
October 19, 2026 8:00-4:00	October 20, 2026 8:00-4:00	October 21, 2026 8:00-4:00	October 22, 2026 8:00-4:00	October 23, 2026 8:00-4:00
October 26, 2026 8:00-4:00	October 27, 2026 8:00-4:00	October 28, 2026 8:00-4:00	October 29, 2026 8:00-4:00	October 30, 2026 8:00-4:00

EXHIBIT B

ELECTION DAY

DATES AND TIMES

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2026

7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

LOCATION

Precincts 1, 2, and 3	Jeff Davis County Community Center	601 Cemetery Road Fort Davis, Texas 79734
Precinct 4	Valentine Community Building	200 N. Main Street Valentine, Texas 79854
Precinct 5	DMPOA – Community Center	101 Yellowknife Trail Fort Davis, Texas 79734