

**AGENDA  
CASCADE CHARTER TOWNSHIP  
ELECTION COMMISSION MEETING**

Wednesday, August 27, 2025

5:15 P.M.

Cascade Fire Station 1  
2865 Thornhills Ave SE  
Grand Rapids 49546

- Article 1. Call to Order, Roll Call**
- Article 2. Approval of Agenda**
- Article 3. Receive and File Minutes**  
**1. Election Commission – 6/25/25**
- Article 4. Public Comments - Anything on the Agenda not scheduled for a public hearing. (Limit comments to 3 minutes)**
- Article 5. New Business**  
**008-2025 Approval of Ballot Wording for the 11/04/25 Special Election**
- Article 6. Adjournment**

**MINUTES  
CASCADE CHARTER TOWNSHIP  
ELECTION COMMISSION MEETING**

Wednesday, June 25, 2025

6:45 P.M.

Wisner Center

2870 Jacksmith Drive SE, Grand Rapids 49546

- Article 1.** Clerk Slater called the meeting to order at 6:42 p.m.  
Present: Clerk Slater, Trustee S. Rissi, and Trustee J. Shipley  
Also Present: Deputy Clerk J. Jager and Election Specialist J. Baumann
- Article 2. Approval of Agenda**  
Motion by Trustee Rissi, seconded by Clerk Slater to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
- Article 3. Receive and File Minutes**  
**1. Election Commission – 06/11/25**  
Motion by Trustee Rissi, seconded by Trustee Shipley to approve.  
Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 4. Public Comments - Anything on the Agenda not scheduled for a public hearing.  
(Limit comments to 3 minutes)**  
Public comment was made by Deputy Clerk Jennifer Jager.
- Article 5. New Business**  
  
**007-2025 Approval of Moving Precinct 1 Polling Location to the Cascade Library Wisner Center, 2870 Jacksmith Ave SE, Grand Rapids MI for All Future Elections**  
Motion by Trustee Rissi, seconded by Trustee Shipley to approve.  
Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 6. Adjournment**  
Motion by Trustee Shipley, seconded by Trustee Rissi to adjourn.  
Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

Jan Baumann  
Election Specialist

Approved by:

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Susan B. Slater, Clerk

**OFFICIAL BALLOT**  
**Special Election**  
**Tuesday, November 4, 2025**  
**Kent County, Michigan**  
**Cascade Charter Township, Precinct 1**

**Proposal Section**

**Intermediate School District**

**Kent Intermediate School District  
Regional Enhancement Millage Proposal**

This proposal renews regional enhancement millage previously approved by the electors that will expire with the 2026 levy and restores millage lost as a result of the reduction required by the Michigan Constitution of 1963. Pursuant to state law, the revenue raised by the proposed millage will be collected by the intermediate school district and distributed to constituent districts based on pupil membership count.

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in Kent Intermediate School District, Michigan, be renewed by .8498 mill (\$0.8498 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) and also be increased by .0502 mill (\$0.0502 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a total of .9 mill, for a period of 10 years, 2027 to 2036, inclusive, to provide operating funds to enhance other state and local funding for constituent district operating purposes; the estimate of the revenue the intermediate school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2027 is approximately \$35,606,388, which funds will be disbursed as required by statute to the following constituent districts: Byron Center Public Schools, Caledonia Community Schools, Cedar Springs Public Schools, Comstock Park Public Schools, East Grand Rapids Public Schools, Forest Hills Public Schools, Godfrey-Lee Public Schools, Godwin Heights Public Schools, Grand Rapids Public Schools, Grandville Public Schools, Kelloggsville Public School District, Kenowa Hills Public Schools, Kent City Community Schools, Kentwood Public Schools, Lowell Area Schools, Northview Public Schools, Rockford Public Schools, Sparta Area Schools, Thornapple Kellogg School, and Wyoming Public Schools, Byron Center Charter School, Chandler Woods Charter Academy, Covenant High School Grand Rapids, Creative Technologies Academy, Cross Creek Charter Academy, Excel Charter Academy, Gerald Dawkins Academy, Grand Rapids Child Discovery Center, Grand River Preparatory High School, Hope Academy of West Michigan, Knapp Charter Academy, Lighthouse Academy, New Branches Charter Academy, NexTech High School of Grand Rapids, PrepNet Virtual Academy, Ridge Park Charter Academy, River City Scholars Academy, Vanguard Charter Academy, Vista Charter Academy, Walker Charter Academy, Wellspring Preparatory High School, West MI Academy of Environmental Science, West Michigan Aviation Academy, and William C. Abney Academy, and to Kent Intermediate School District (.8498 mill of the above is a renewal of millage that will expire with the 2026 tax levy and .0502 mill is a restoration of millage lost as a result of the reduction required by the "Headlee" amendment to the Michigan Constitution of 1963)?

Yes

No

**OFFICIAL BALLOT**  
**Special Election**  
**Tuesday, November 4, 2025**  
**Kent County, Michigan**  
**Cascade Charter Township, Precinct 2**

**Proposal Section**

**Intermediate School District**

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Yes

No

**OFFICIAL BALLOT**  
**Special Election**  
**Tuesday, November 4, 2025**  
**Kent County, Michigan**  
**Cascade Charter Township, Precinct 3**

**Proposal Section**

**Intermediate School District**

**Kent Intermediate School District  
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Yes

No

**OFFICIAL BALLOT**  
**Special Election**  
**Tuesday, November 4, 2025**  
**Kent County, Michigan**  
**Cascade Charter Township, Precinct 4**

**Proposal Section**

**Intermediate School District**

**Kent Intermediate School District  
Regional Enhancement Millage Proposal**

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Yes

No

**OFFICIAL BALLOT**  
**Special Election**  
**Tuesday, November 4, 2025**  
**Kent County, Michigan**  
**Cascade Charter Township, Precinct 5**

**Proposal Section**

**Intermediate School District**

**Kent Intermediate School District  
Regional Enhancement Millage Proposal**

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Yes

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**TO:** Kent County Municipal Clerks

**FROM:** Kent County Clerk/Register Lisa Posthumus Lyons  
Elections Director Mike Sullivan

**DATE:** Monday, August 25, 2025

**SUBJECT:** Ballot Proofing for November 4, 2025 Election

**DEADLINE:** Thursday, August 28, 2025

When proofing your ballots, please check each ballot for the following:

- Ballot Format**
- Heading (Legal Name of Jurisdiction)**
  - Election Title, Date, County, State, City/Township, Precinct Number**
- Local Offices on the Ballot and Placement of Offices (if applicable)**
- Partisan and Proposal Headings (if applicable)**
- District numbers (if applicable)**
- Number to be elected to each office (if applicable)**
- Form and Spelling of Candidate names (if applicable)**
- Candidate rotations (if applicable)**
- Number of Write-in lines (equals number of vote for) (if applicable)**
- Proposal Section Headings (if applicable)**
- Wording and placement of ballot proposals (if applicable)**
- Ballot Proofs Approved**

By signing we have proofed the November 4, 2025 ballots.

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Jurisdiction Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk's Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk's Signature

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## EXHIBIT A

### School Districts:

Byron Center Public Schools  
Caledonia Community Schools  
Cedar Springs Public Schools  
Comstock Park Public Schools  
East Grand Rapids Public Schools  
Forest Hills Public Schools  
Godfrey-Lee Public Schools  
Godwin Heights Public Schools  
Grand Rapids Public Schools  
Grandville Public Schools  
Kelloggsville Public School District  
Kenowa Hills Public Schools  
Kent City Community Schools  
Kentwood Public Schools  
Lowell Area Schools  
Northview Public Schools  
Rockford Public Schools  
Sparta Area Schools  
Thornapple Kellogg School  
Wyoming Public Schools

### Public School Academies:

Byron Center Charter School  
Chandler Woods Charter Academy  
Covenant High School Grand Rapids  
Creative Technologies Academy  
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## EXHIBIT B

### KENT INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT REGIONAL ENHANCEMENT MILLAGE PROPOSAL

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**EXHIBIT C**

**SUMMARY OF BALLOT PROPOSITION TO BE INSERTED IN THE  
NOTICES OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION AND ELECTION:**

**KENT INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REGIONAL ENHANCEMENT MILLAGE PROPOSAL  
.8498 MILL (\$.8498 ON EACH \$1,000 OF TAXABLE VALUATION) FOR 10 YEARS AND  
.0502 MILL (\$0.0502 ON EACH \$1,000 OF TAXABLE VALUATION) FOR 10 YEARS  
TO RESTORE HEADLEE REDUCTION**

Full text of the ballot proposal may be obtained at the administrative offices of Kent Intermediate School District, 2930 Knapp Street, N.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan 49525-4518, telephone: (616) 364-1333.