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2026 ELECTION READINESS WORKSHEET

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2026 MIDTERM ELECTION · EARLY VOTING: OCT 19–30 · ELECTION DAY: TUESDAY, NOV 3

Polls open 7am–7pm. Early voting weekdays Oct 19–23 and Oct 26–30, 7am–7pm; Saturday Oct 24, 7am–7pm; Sunday Oct 25, 12pm–7pm.

Use this as your "cheat sheet" to take to the polls with you to help inform your ballot. You don't have to fill in every line. Voting in some races and skipping others is completely normal, and your ballot still counts.

STEP 1 · FIND YOUR DISTRICTS

Do this at home. It takes two minutes, and you only do it once.

Look up your address at Harrisvotes.com/voter/whats-on-my-ballot, then write your district numbers in the boxes below.

Once these are filled in, every race inside this worksheet is one you actually vote on. Nothing to scan past.

U.S. Representative District		State Senator District	
State Representative District		State Board of Education District	
County Commissioner Precinct		Justice of the Peace Precinct	

County Commissioner is only on the ballot in Precincts 2 and 4 this cycle. If your precinct isn't one of those, leave that box blank.

MY VOTING PLAN

The day I plan on voting: _____

Polling location: _____

Every Harris County polling place is a Voting Center, you no longer have to return to your own precinct — pick whichever location is most convenient.

Number of friends I will help vote: ☐

STEP 2 · FEDERAL & STATE OFFICES

Every Harris County voter votes on the statewide offices. For the three district seats, copy the numbers you wrote on the cover.

FEDERAL

U.S. Senator _____

U.S. Representative, District ___ _____

STATEWIDE EXECUTIVE

Run state agencies and set statewide policy.

Governor _____

Lieutenant Governor _____

Attorney General _____

Comptroller of Public Accounts _____

Commissioner of the General Land Office

_____

Commissioner of Agriculture _____

Railroad Commissioner _____

YOUR DISTRICT SEATS

From the cover. One of each, not a list to search.

State Senator, District ___ _____

State Representative, District ___ _____

State Board of Education, District ___

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STEP 3 · THE COURTS

Four of every five races on your ballot are judicial. Here is what each court actually decides, so you know what you are choosing.

TEXAS SUPREME COURT

Final word on civil cases in Texas — contracts, injury, family law appeals.

Chief Justice _____

Justice, Place 2 _____

Justice, Place 7 _____

Justice, Place 8 _____

COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS

Final word on civil cases in Texas — contracts, injury, family law appeals.

Judge, Place 3 _____

Judge, Place 4 _____

Judge, Place 9 _____

COURTS OF APPEALS

First review when a Harris County trial decision is appealed.

1st Court, Place 3 _____

1st Court, Place 4 _____

1st Court, Place 5 _____

Chief Justice, 14th Court _____

14th Court, Place 7 _____

Chief Justice, 15th Court _____

15th Court, Place 2 _____

15th Court, Place 3 _____

STEP 3 · THE COURTS, CONTINUED — DISTRICT COURTS

District courts are the trial courts for Harris County. All of them are countywide, so every voter in the county votes on every one of these, no matter which precinct you live in.

CIVIL DISTRICT COURTS · 10 seats

Lawsuits over money, property, injury and business disputes.

55th _____
113th _____
157th _____
189th _____
190th _____
234th _____
269th _____
270th _____
281st _____
295th _____

FAMILY DISTRICT COURTS · 10 seats

Divorce, custody, child support, adoption and protective orders.

245th _____
246th _____
247th _____
257th _____
280th _____
308th _____
309th _____
310th _____
311th _____
312th _____

JUVENILE DISTRICT COURTS · 3 seats

Cases involving children accused of offenses, and child protection.

313th _____
314th _____
315th _____

CRIMINAL DISTRICT COURTS · 10 seats

Felony cases — the most serious criminal charges.

180th _____
182nd _____
183rd _____
184th _____
185th _____
208th _____
209th _____
228th _____
230th _____
232nd _____
248th _____
262nd _____
263rd _____
482nd _____
486th _____
495th _____
496th _____
497th _____

STEP 4 · HARRIS COUNTY

County courts at law and probate courts are countywide. The last two rows use the precinct numbers from your cover.

COUNTY CRIMINAL COURTS AT LAW · 15 seats

Misdemeanors — DWI, theft, assault — and bail decisions in those cases.

No. 1 _____
No. 2 _____
No. 3 _____
No. 4 _____
No. 5 _____
No. 6 _____
No. 7 _____
No. 8 _____
No. 9 _____
No. 10 _____
No. 11 _____
No. 12 _____
No. 13 _____
No. 14 _____
No. 15 _____

COUNTY CIVIL COURTS AT LAW · 5 seats

Smaller civil suits and eviction appeals.

No. 1 _____
No. 2 _____
No. 3 _____
No. 4 _____
No. 5 _____

PROBATE COURTS · 4 seats

Wills, estates, guardianship and mental health commitments.

No. 1 _____
No. 2 _____
No. 3 _____
No. 4 _____

COUNTY OFFICES

County Judge runs county government and emergency management. It is not a courtroom job.

County Judge _____
County Attorney _____
District Clerk _____
County Clerk _____
County Treasurer _____
Dept. of Education, Position 5 _____
Dept. of Education, Position 7 _____

APPRAISAL DISTRICT DIRECTORS · 3 seats

Set the appraisal district's budget and hire the chief appraiser, who oversees how your property is valued. Elected at large, and new since 2024.

Place 1 _____
Place 2 _____
Place 3 _____

FROM YOUR COVER

County Commissioner, Precinct ____ _____
Justice of the Peace, Precinct ____, Place 2 _____

BEFORE YOU GO

Photo ID is required to vote in person in every Texas election. If you can't get an approved ID, bring a supporting document such as a voter registration certificate or a current utility bill and an election official will help you complete a form so you can still vote. **Any Harris County polling place** can be your polling place. Some races on your ballot are uncontested — those candidates' responses can be found online at [vote411.org.](vote411.org)

Confirm your personalized ballot at Harrisvotes.com/voter/whats-on-my-ballot

Candidate profiles, voting centers and hours, required IDs at HoustonVotersGuide.org

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