

SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS

The school board shall select the date of the annual school election by resolution no later than the first regular meeting after January first of each year. The annual election shall be set between the second Tuesday in April and the third Tuesday in June between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on Election Day.

The school district and the municipality have the option of holding combined school district-municipal elections. Subject to approval of the governing bodies, the combined election may be held on the date set by the school district or the general municipal election (second Tuesday in April). Expenses and all other governmental responsibilities of a combined election are to be shared in an agreed upon manner by the governing bodies of the school district and the municipality.

The Secretary of State must be notified in writing, by telephone, or electronic mail within 15 days of scheduling the date for conducting an election.

Legal References:

SD Constitution Article 7 §1 (Right to Vote)
SD Constitution Article 7 §2 (Voter qualification)
SD Constitution Article 7 §3 (Elections)
SDCL 12-14-1 (Designation of precincts and polling places)
SDCL 13-6-13.1 (Former school dist. Representation for consolidated districts)
SDCL 13-7 (School district elections)
SDCL 13-8-2 (Composition and terms of office)
SDCL 13-8-25 (Appointments to fill vacancies on board)
SDCL 13-8-4 (Elections and terms of office after increase of size of board)
SDCL 13-8-7.1 (School board member representation areas)

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