



RED LAKE BAND OF CHIPPEWA INDIANS 2026 ELECTION TIMELINE



Tuesday, May 20, 2025

Establishment of residency-required of candidates

Monday, February 2, 2026

Rules must be published or posted

Wednesday, February 4, 2026

1st day to file for candidacy

Wednesday, February 18, 2026

Last day to file for candidacy

Preliminary candidates list is posted

Preliminary eligible voters list is posted

Wednesday, March 4, 2026

Deadline for withdrawal of candidacy

Wednesday, March 11, 2026

Deadline for posting of the certified candidates list

Friday, March 13, 2026

Deadline for voter change of residency

Final eligible voters list is posted

Monday, March 30, 2026

Absentee balloting begins

Wednesday, April 8, 2026

Deadline for district election boards to be appointed

Wednesday, May 13, 2026

Deadline for ballot counting watchers

Friday, May 15, 2026

Deadline for Election Day Poll Observers

Monday, May 18, 2026

Absentee ballot committee at

Red Lake Embassy – Minneapolis, Oshkiiamaajitahdah Office – Bemidji

Wednesday, May 20, 2026

ELECTION DAY

Polls open 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Absentee ballots are due by 8:00 p.m.

Thursday, May 21, 2026

Posting of the certified election results

Tuesday, May 26, 2026

Deadline for contesting the election

Monday, June 1, 2026

Deadline for the General Election to rule on requests for election contests (if any)

Wednesday, July 15, 2026

If the election was uncontested, the run-off election must be held on this date

Wednesday, July 22, 2026

If the election was contested, the run-off election must be held on this date