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May 2026 Primary Voter Guide

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Upcoming Primary Election

The next election will be held on Tuesday, May 19, 2026. This primary election will include candidates for Governor, Federal, Judicial, State and County offices, as well as Precinct Committeemen and any applicable bonds or levies for your area.

No Recommendation means two or more ideologically comparable candidates, or there is not enough information to make a sound educated recommendation.

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Ada County

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Federal Candidates

Office	Recommendation
U.S. Senate	No Recommendation
U.S. House, Congressional District 1	*Russ Fulcher
U.S. House, Congressional District 2	No Recommendation

Statewide Candidates

Office	Recommendation
Governor	No recommendation
Other statewide incumbent candidates	Running unopposed

Ada County Candidates

Office	Recommendation
Commissioner District 1	Ryan Davidson
Commissioner District 2	*Rod Beck
County Treasurer	*Todd Christensen
County Coroner	Brett Harding

Legislative Districts

District 10

Office	Recommendation
Senator	*Tammy Nichols
House Seat A	Unopposed Incumbent
House Seat B	*Bruce Skaug

District 14

Office	Recommendation
Senator	Mac Raslan
House Seat A	Unopposed Incumbent
House Seat B	Josh Tanner

District 15

Office	Recommendation
Senator	Unopposed
House Seat A	Unopposed Incumbent
House Seat B	Unopposed Incumbent

District 16

Office	Recommendation
Senator	No Recommendation
House Seat A	Unopposed Incumbent
House Seat B	Unopposed Incumbent

District 17

Office	Recommendation
Senator	*Benjamin Chafetz
House Seat A	Unopposed
House Seat B	Unopposed

District 18

Office	Recommendation
Legislative races	No conservative candidates

District 19

Office	Recommendation
Senator	Unopposed
House Seat A	Bryan Hopkins
House Seat B	Stanley Roach

District 20

Office	Recommendation
Senator	Josh Keyser
House Seat A	Unopposed Incumbent
House Seat B	Unopposed Incumbent

District 21

Office	Recommendation
Senate	Unopposed Incumbent
House Seat A	Unopposed Incumbent
House Seat B	Unopposed Incumbent

District 22

Office	Recommendation
Senator	Josh Haver
House Seat A	Greg Ferch
House Seat B	Unopposed Incumbent

Ada County - Opposed Precinct Committeemen

Precinct	Candidate
1001	Brandon Wood
1412	Phil Reynolds
1607	Jacob Stagge
1615	Judy Poole
1617	Douglas Rich
1716	Dave Richey
1904	Irene Curran
2012	Dree Eno
2017	Michael Hon
2201	Peter Maxwell
2207	Benjamin Foreman
2208	Scott Holloway
2211	Dan Rogers
2219	Jeremy Wilson

Canyon County

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U.S. House, Congressional District 2	No Recommendation

Statewide Candidates

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Governor	No recommendation
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Canyon County Candidates

Office	Recommendation
Commissioner	*Stewart Hyndman
Coroner	*Sydney Walker

Legislative Districts

District 9

Office	Recommendation
Senator	*Brandon Shippy
House Seat A	*Heidi Smith - Takatori
House Seat B	*Gregg Diacogiannis

District 10

Office	Recommendation
Senator	*Tammy Nichols
House Seat A	Unopposed Incumbent
House Seat B	*Bruce Skaug

District 11

Office	Recommendation
Senator	*Chris Trakel
House Seat A	*Kent Marmon
House Seat B	*Lucas Caylor

District 12

Office	Recommendation
Senator	Ben Adams
House Seat A	Unopposed Incumbent
House Seat B	Unopposed Incumbent

District 13

Office	Recommendation
Senator	Unopposed Incumbent
House Seat A	Brent Crane
House Seat B	*Steve Tanner

District 23

Office	Recommendation
Senator	Unopposed Incumbent
House Seat A	*Chris Bruce
House Seat B	Unopposed Incumbent

Canyon County - Precinct Committeemen

District 9

Office	Recommendation
1-9	*Heidi Smith
2-9	*Dave Taylor
3-9	*Sheila Millet
5-9	*Darryl Ford
6-9	*Beth Carico

District 10

Office	Recommendation
8-10	*Tammy Nichols
12-10	*Sandra Eaton
13-10	*Mila wood
15-10	*James Carender
17-10	*Glen Rimbey

District 11

Office	Recommendation
18-11	*Ramzy Boutros
19-11	*Mike Miller
20-11	*Georgina Morton
21-11	*Lynette Barfuss
23-11	*Lucas Cayler
24-11	*John Carter
25-11	*Scott Tilmant

District 12

Office	Recommendation
27-12	*Machele Hamilton
28-12	*Thomas Nezkey
29-12	*Chuck Strong
30-12	*Losif Bota
31-12	*Tyler Rogers
32-12	*Lisa Thompson
33-12	*Ivan Melendez
34-12	*Lenette Jackson
35-12	*Randy Rieken

District 13

Office	Recommendation
36-13	*Vickie Kersten
37-13	*Roger Hunt
38-13	*Hubert Osborne
39-13	*Del Chapel
40-13	*Carol Moffett
41-13	*Garrett Pederson
42-13	*Dan Gates
43-13	*Kirsten Lucas
44-13	*Tom Lilly
45-13	*Seth Kendall
46-13	*Brian Lenney

District 23

Office	Recommendation
41-23	*David Trzensniewski (write-in)
48-23	*Tina Lambert
49-23	*Zach Brooks
50-23	*Steve Allmer
51-23	*Jim Fox

Gem County

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Statewide Candidates

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Governor	No recommendation
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Gem County Candidates

Office	Recommendation
Commissioner District 1	*Paul Anderson
Commissioner District 2	*Jefferson Jenkins
Clerk	No Recommendation
Treasurer	No Recommendation
Assessor	No Recommendation
Coroner	No Recommendation

Precinct Committeemen

Precinct	Candidate
02-North Emmett	*Leona Poen
05-West Emmett	*Mark Ellison
10-Brick	*Ty Tomlin
12-Sweet	*Cece Carol Andrews
13-Ola	*Janice Carr

Candidate Comparison

May 2026 Primary Governor's Race

Based on statements made, not voting history.

Mark Fitzpatrick (Business Owner)	Brad Little (Incumbent - elected 2019)
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Strong pro-life position. States he opposes abortion and supports strengthening Idaho's pro-life protections. 2. Parental rights in education. States he supports increased parental control over curriculum and school transparency. 3. Opposes gender transitions for minors. States he supports banning gender-affirming procedures and related instruction for minors. 4. Limited government and reduced spending. Candidate promotes shrinking state government, cutting regulations, and reducing taxes. 5. Protection of religious liberty. States he will emphasize defending churches, faith-based groups, and individual religious expression. 6. Supports school choice expansion. Advocates for expanding charter, private, and alternative education options. 	<div data-bbox="829 443 1450 506" style="background-color: #f8d7da; padding: 5px;">Areas of Concern</div> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Issued a statewide stay-home order on March 25, 2020. Signed a 21-day statewide stay-home order closing all non-essential businesses, restricting public movement, and declaring an "extreme emergency" granting himself expanded executive authority during COVID-19. 2. Vetoes the Library Materials Protection Bill, HB 314, on April 6, 2023. Rejected legislation that would have prohibited schools and public libraries from providing harmful materials to minors and allowed parents to sue for \$2,500 per violation. The Idaho House attempted to override the veto but fell one vote short, 46-24 with 47 required. 3. Vetoes the Coronavirus Pause Act, SB 1381, on March 28, 2022. Blocked a bill that would have prevented businesses from requiring COVID-19 vaccines from employees or customers for one year, calling it "government overreach into the private sector," despite the bill passing the Republican-controlled legislature 45-23 in the House and 24-11 in the Senate. 4. Vetoes Emergency Powers Limitation Bills, HB 135 and SB 1136, in April 2021. After conservative backlash over his COVID lockdown orders, the Republican-controlled legislature passed two bills to restrict future governor emergency powers. Little vetoed both, calling them "an emotional kneejerk reaction" and "just plain irresponsible." <div data-bbox="829 1398 1450 1461" style="background-color: #d1ecf1; padding: 5px;">Areas of Agreement</div> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Signed the Fetal Heartbeat Bill, HB 366, on April 27, 2021. Signed legislation banning abortions once fetal cardiac activity is detected, approximately 5-6 weeks into pregnancy, with exceptions for medical emergencies and cases of rape or incest. 6. Signed the Bathroom Bill, HB 752, on March 31, 2026. Signed legislation criminalizing the use of bathrooms not matching a person's biological sex in all government buildings and public accommodations statewide. First offense is a misdemeanor; second offense is a felony.

Important Dates and Early Voting

Important Dates

Date	Information
May 8, 2026	Last day to pre-register for the May 19 election.
Sunday, April 26 and Sunday, May 3	Voter registration drive in the commons after all 3 services.

Early Voting

Early voting varies by county. Please check your local county election office for more information.

Ada County Early Voting

Early voting begins Monday, May 4, 2026 and is open on weekdays through Friday, May 15, 2026 from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

Location	Address
Ada County Elections	400 N Benjamin Ln, Boise, ID 83704
Star City Hall	10769 W. State St., Star, ID 83669
Boise City Hall	150 N Capitol Blvd, Boise, ID 83702
Kuna Library	457 N. Locust Ave., Kuna, ID 83634
Eagle Public Library	100 N Stierman Way, Eagle, ID 83616
Lake Hazel Library	10489 W. Lake Hazel Rd., Boise, ID 83709
Meridian City Hall	33 E Broadway Ave, Meridian, ID 83642
Orchard Park Library	1268 W. Orchard Park Dr., Meridian, ID 83646
Library! at Bown Crossing	2153 E. Riverwalk Dr, Boise, ID 83706

Canyon County Early Voting

Vote early April 27 through May 15, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday.

Location	Address
Canyon County Elections Office	5815 Graye Ln., Caldwell, ID 83607

Gem County Early Voting

Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Start date is still TBD and early voting ends May 15.

Location	Address
Gem County Courthouse	415 E. Main St., Room 202, Emmett, ID 83617

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