

**ELECTION ORDER
GENERAL ELECTION**

THE STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF VICTORIA §

On this the 16th day of January, 2025, the Board of Trustees of Victoria Independent School District convened in regular session with the following members present:

Present
Mike Mercer, President

Present
Margaret Pruett, Vice-President

Present
Kathy Bell, Secretary

Present
Rick Jones, Member

Present
Bridgette Sutton Marshall,
Member

Present
B.J. Nelson, Member

Present
Micah Patton, Member

and the following absent: none, constituting a quorum and among other proceedings had by said Board of Trustees was the following:

WHEREAS, the terms of the following Victoria Independent School District members shall expire:

Single-Member District No. 1 – Kathy Bell
Single-Member District No. 6 – Margaret Pruett
Single-Member District No. 7 – Mike Mercer

and, **WHEREAS**, the filing deadline for the general election of Single-Member Districts No. 1, No. 6 and No. 7 is 5:00 p.m., February 14, 2025.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Victoria Independent School District:

1. That all requests by candidates to have names placed on the ballots for the election shall be filed in writing in the superintendent's office located in the Administration Building, 102 Profit Drive, Victoria, Texas. All Victoria Independent School District candidates shall file with said application the loyalty affidavit required by Section 141.031 of the Texas Election Code. The secretary of this Board of Trustees shall post, on the bulletin board in the building where the Board of Trustees hold meetings, the names of all candidates that have filed their applications in accordance with the terms and provisions of this Order.

2. The election shall be held on the Uniform Election Date, Saturday, May 3, 2025, at the following locations:

LISTED IN ELECTION NOTICE

3. The polls at the above designated polling places shall be open on Election Day from 7:00 o'clock a.m. to 7:00 o'clock p.m.

4. Voters will use Express Vote Ballot Marking Device and casting ballot in DS 300 Scanner for early voting in person and on Election Day. Optically scanner DS 950 ballots will be used for early voting by mail.

5. Early voting will be conducted at the places named in the attached list in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code. The early voting clerk required by Section 83.006 of the Texas Election Code shall be Margetta Hill, Election Administrator.

a. Requests for applications for an early voting ballot by mail may be made in the following ways:

(1) In person at Elections Administrator's Office at 2805 N. Navarro, Suite 500, Victoria, Texas;

(2) By writing to the Elections Administrator's Office at 2805 N. Navarro, Suite 500, Victoria, TX 77901.

b. The place of early voting in person (Elections Administrator's Office,

2805 N. Navarro, Classroom A, Victoria, Texas 77901) shall remain open for the following dates and times:

<u>DAY</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>OPEN</u>	<u>CLOSE</u>
Tuesday	April 22, 2025	8:00 AM	5:00 PM
Wednesday	April 23, 2025	8:00 AM	5:00 PM
Thursday	April 24, 2025	8:00 AM	5:00 PM
Friday	April 25, 2025	7:00 AM	7:00 PM
Monday	April 28, 2025	8:00 AM	5:00 PM
Tuesday	April, 29, 2025	8:00 AM	5:00 PM

6. The manner of holding said election shall be governed, as near as may be, by the Texas Election Code, and the County of Victoria will furnish all necessary materials and election supplies requisite to said election.

7. Immediately after said election has been held the officers holding the same shall make and deliver the returns of said election and perform all other duties as provided by the Texas Election Code.

8. The Election Administrator shall give the following notices of said election:

- a. By publishing a copy of Notice one (1) time in a newspaper published in the territory covered by the Victoria Independent School District and within the jurisdiction of said District not earlier than the thirtieth (30th) day or later than the tenth (10th) day before election day. Section 4.003, Texas Election Code.
- b. Notice with the attached list of election precincts and polling place locations on the bulletin board used for posting notices of School Board meetings not later than the twenty-first (21st) day before election day, which Order and Notice shall remain so posted continuously through election day. Section 4.003(b), Texas Election Code.

9. All expenses of holding this election shall be the responsibility of Victoria Independent School District unless other political subdivisions within the District's boundaries hold an election on Saturday, May 3, 2025. The Victoria Independent School District will conduct the election as a joint election with other political subdivisions holding an election on May 3, 2025. In the event of a joint election, all expenses would be based on the percentage of total voters in each district.

10. In accordance with Sections 87.001 and 87.002 of the Texas Election Code, an early voting ballot board is hereby created for the election called herein for Victoria Independent School District to process early voting results of such election and Brenda Halselka is hereby appointed presiding judge thereof. The said presiding judge shall appoint at least two and no more than six other members of the early voting ballot board.

The above Order being read, it was moved and seconded that the same do pass. Thereupon, the question being called for, and the following vote had:

AYES:	<u>7</u>
NAYES:	<u>0</u>
ABSTAIN:	<u> </u>

The above Order is accordingly approved and adopted this 16th day of January 2025.

ATTEST:



Mike Mercer, President
Board of Trustees
Victoria Independent School District



Kathy Bell, Secretary
Board of Trustees
Victoria Independent School District