

2025 By-Election Elector Questions and Answers

Q. When is the by-election for the position of school trustee?

A. The general voting day will be held on Saturday, October 11 from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. The two advance opportunities will be held on Wednesday, October 1 and Saturday, October 4 from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Q. What are the qualifications for being a resident elector in the upcoming byelection?

- A. A resident elector is a person and meets the following criteria:
 - Canadian citizen;
 - 18 years or older on the date of the registration to be an elector;
 - A resident of B.C. at least 6 months before the date you are registered to vote (if you are not already on the voters' list); and
 - A person who lives in the City of Abbotsford;
 - Not be disqualified under the School Act or any other enactment from being nominated for, being elected to or holding office as a trustee, or be otherwise disqualified by law.

A corporation cannot be a resident elector.

Q. How can I find out if I am a resident elector?

A. The Provincial voters' list is what will be used for this by-election. You can check if you are registered by going to the Elections BC website - www.elections.bc.ca or you can contact the elections office.

Q. What are the qualifications for being a non-resident property elector in the upcoming by-election?

A. A non-resident property owner elector is a person who does not live in the City of Abbotsford but does own property in the City of Abbotsford. To be eligible as a non-resident property elector, a person must meet the following criteria:



- Not entitled to be registered as a resident elector of the City;
- Canadian citizen;
- 18 years or older on the date of the by-election;
- A resident of B.C. at least 6 months before the date you are registered to vote (if you are not already on the voters' list);
- Has been a registered owner of real property in the City for at least 30 days immediately before the day of registration; and
- Not be disqualified under the School Act or any other enactment from being nominated for, being elected to or holding office as a trustee, or be otherwise disqualified by law.

If there are more than one person who are registered owners of the real property in the City of Abbotsford (either as joint tenants or tenants in common), then a majority of the registered owners must indicate which among them will be the person who is eligible to vote. (For example, if there are only 2 property owners, then both must sign the consent form. If there are 3 property owners, then 2 out of 3 must sign the consent form.)

You may only register as a non-resident property elector in relation to one (1) parcel of real property in the City of Abbotsford. No corporation is entitled to be registered as an elector or have a representative registered as an elector and no corporation is entitled to vote.

Please contact the Chief Election Officer to obtain the necessary forms to register as a non-resident property elector with the consent of the other registered property owners.

Q. How can I find out if I qualify as a non-resident property elector?

A. Please contact the Chief Election Officer to obtain the necessary papers to register as a non-resident property elector with the consent of the other registered property owners.

Q. What must I do If I want to nominate someone as a candidate?

A. You need to be qualified to be a resident elector or a non-resident property elector, and you need to sign the first page of the form entitled CS2 – Nomination



Documents. Also, there needs to be one other person who meets the same conditions to be the other nominator.

- Q. How can I vote if I am unable to vote on the general voting day (October 11) or on either of the advance voting opportunities (October 1 and 4)?
- A. You may request a mail ballot package between Monday August 18 and Friday September 19. Then once the ballots are ready, you can pick up the mail ballot package or you can have someone else pick it up on your behalf (with your authorization). It is possible to send the mail package to you; however, there is no guarantee that you will receive it in sufficient time. Contact the Elections Office to make your request for a mail ballot package.
- Q. Where and by when must I return the mail ballot?
- A. You need to return the completed mail ballot at City Hall (32315 South Fraser Way) by 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 11, 2025 for your ballot to be counted.
- Q. Whom can I contact if I have more questions about the by-election?
- A. You can contact the Chief Election Officer or the Deputy Chief Election Officer at the following:
 - Phone number 604-851-VOTE (8683)
 - Email ElectionOffice@abbotsford.ca