2026 Election Calendar

2026: Two (2) Positions for Fall Election

For Election:

Two (2) four-year terms to run January 1, 2027, through December 31, 2030, and to fill the positions currently held by:

Walt Hautala, Mesabi East (Four-Year Term)
Tim Riordan, Rock Ridge (Four-Year Term)

Tuesday, September 29, 2026:	**ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING AND REGULAR BOARD MEETING – 2:00 p.m.** Adopt Election Calendar
Thursday, October 22, 2026:	**Call for Nominations** A memo is emailed to School District Superintendents. *The nominee must be approved by a majority of the school board so action must be taken during a school board meeting (unless they have an alternative process in place to secure nominee votes, i.e., approval via email vote).*
Tuesday, November 3, 2026:	**Election Day** *School board members are usually elected during the annual election day, i.e., the first Tuesday of November after the first day of the month.*
Wednesday, November 18, 2026:	**Nominations Close at 4:00 p.m.** Completed nomination forms may be sent to Paul Brinkman via email (paulb@nescmn.net).
Thursday, November 19, 2026:	**Mail Ballots to Districts by NESC** Ballots are created based on the nominations received, and seven paper ballots are mailed to each superintendent. *Only one ballot for each school board member is allowed. The return envelope to NESC containing the ballots must include the name of the school district on the outside.*
Friday, December 18, 2026:	**Voting Deadline – Ballots must be postmarked by this date and mailed to NESC.**