



DATE: December 8, 2025

TITLE: Combined Polling Place Resolution

TYPE: Action

PRESENTER: Dr. Joey Page, Superintendent

BACKGROUND: Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.11, the board may establish a combined polling place for several precincts for school district elections not held on the day of a statewide election. The resolution is applicable to any special election conducted in the following year. The combined polling locations are established by City of Austin election personnel.

RATIONALE: In the case a special election is called that does not run in conjunction with the statewide election, combining the polling places allows for staffing and equipment efficiency at each polling site. Prior to an election being conducted, the school district is required to do a mailing to each household indicating their polling location.

RECOMMENDATION: I recommend the approval of this annual resolution establishing combined polling places for school district elections not held on the day of a statewide election.

**RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING COMBINED POLLING PLACES
FOR MULTIPLE PRECINCTS AND
DESIGNATING HOURS DURING WHICH THE POLLING
PLACES WILL REMAIN OPEN FOR VOTING
FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTIONS NOT HELD
ON THE DAY OF A STATEWIDE ELECTION**

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 492, State of Minnesota, as follows:

1. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.11, the precincts and polling places for school district elections are those precincts or parts of precincts located within the boundaries of the school district which have been established by the cities or towns located in whole or in part within the school district. The board hereby confirms those precincts and polling places so established by those municipalities.
2. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.11, the board may establish a combined polling place for several precincts for school district elections not held on the day of a statewide election. Each combined polling place must be a polling place that has been designated by a county or municipality. The following combined polling places are established to serve the precincts specified for all school district special and general elections not held on the same day as a statewide election. This resolution is applicable to any special election conducted in calendar year 2026.

Combined Polling Place: Austin City Hall, 500 Fourth Avenue NE, Austin, MN

This combined polling place serves all territory in Independent School District No. 492 located in the City of Austin, Ward 1, Precinct 1 and Lansing Township.

Combined Polling Place: Austin High School, 301 Third Street NW, Austin, MN

This combined polling place serves all territory in Independent School District 492 located in the City of Austin, Ward 1, Precinct 2; City of Mapleview; Newry Township and Oakland Township.

Combined Polling Place: Banfield Elementary School, 301 17th Street SW, Austin, MN

This combined polling place serves all territory in Independent School District 492 located in the City of Austin, Ward 2, Precinct 2; London Township and Moscow Township.

Combined Polling Place: Ellis Middle School, 1700 Fourth Avenue SE, Austin, MN

This combined polling place serves all territory in Independent School District 492 located in the City of Austin, Ward 3, Precinct 2; Lyle Township and Windom Township.

Combined Polling Place: Southgate Elementary School, 1601 19th Avenue SW, Austin, MN

This combined polling place serves all territory in Independent School District 492 located in the City of Austin, Ward 2, Precinct 1 and Austin Township.

Combined Polling Place: Mower County Senior Citizen Center, 400 Third Avenue NE, Austin, MN

This combined polling place serves all territory in Independent School District 492 located in the City of Austin,
Ward 3, Precinct 1; Red Rock Township; Udolpho Township and Waltham Township.

3. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.09, the polling places will remain open for voting for school district elections not held on the same day as a statewide election between the hours of 7:00 o'clock a.m. and 8:00 o'clock p.m.

4. The clerk is directed to file a certified copy of this resolution with the county auditors of each of the counties in which the school district is located, in whole or in part, within thirty (30) days after its adoption.

5. As required by Minnesota Statutes, Section 204B.16, Subdivision 1a, the clerk is hereby authorized and directed to give written notice of new polling place locations to each affected household with at least one registered voter in the school district whose school district polling place location has been changed. The notice must be a non-forwardable notice mailed at least twenty-five (25) days before the date of the first election to which it will apply. A notice that is returned as undeliverable must be forwarded immediately to the appropriate county auditor, who shall change the registrant's status to "challenged" in the statewide registration system.

Cece Kroc, Clerk
Austin School Board

Date