



WHAT'S ON THE BALLOT?

Ballot Explainer | November 3, 2026

A quick guide to the contests and ballot questions Richmond voters may see.



Your ballot will include contests and questions based on where you live in Richmond.
Some voters will see additional district-specific contests.

1 FEDERAL OFFICES



- U.S. Senate
- U.S. House of Representatives

2 LOCAL & SPECIAL ELECTION



Richmond School Board – District 6 Special Election

This contest appears only for voters
in School Board District 6.

3 PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS



1. Reproductive Health Decisions

Whether to add constitutional protections for personal decisions about prenatal care, childbirth, postpartum care, birth control, abortion, miscarriage management, and fertility care, while allowing restrictions during the third trimester except when the patient's health is at risk or the pregnancy cannot survive.



2. Marriage Equality

Whether to remove the constitutional ban on same-sex marriage, affirm that marriages between two adults must be treated equally under the law, regardless of sex, gender, or race.



3. Right to Vote & Restoration

Whether to establish a fundamental right to vote in Virginia, restore voting rights automatically upon release from incarceration for people with felony convictions, and update language related to mental incapacity and voting.

4 RICHMOND BALLOT QUESTION



Local Sales Tax Referendum

Whether the City of Richmond may levy a retail sales tax of up to 1% to raise revenue solely for capital projects for the construction or major renovation of schools in the city; if approved, the tax would expire no later than June 30, 2046.

5 OFFICIAL RESOURCES



For more information, visit:

rva.gov/elections/nov-3-election

Official explanations for the constitutional amendments are available through the Virginia Department of Elections.

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