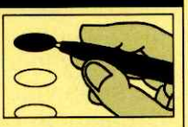
Commonwealth of Virginia
Sample Ballot
County of Giles

General and Special Elections
Tuesday, November 3, 2026

Instructions to voters



To vote for a candidate, use a black pen to fill in the oval next to the name, like this:

To vote on an issue, fill in the oval next to Yes or No.

To write in a qualified candidate who is not already on the ballot, fill in the oval and write the name of the person on the line.

If you want to change a vote or have made a mistake, ask an election worker for another ballot.

If you make marks on the ballot besides filling in the oval, your votes may not be counted.

Member
United States Senate
Vote for only one

- ○ **Mark R. Warner - D**
- ○ **Bert Mizusawa - R**
- ○ _____ **Write-in**

Member
House of Representatives
9th District
Vote for only one

- ○ **Joy A. Powers - D**
- ○ **H. Morgan Griffith - R**
- ○ _____ **Write-in**

Member
Town Council
Town of Rich Creek
For unexpired term to end December 31, 2027
Vote for not more than two

- ○ **Christopher S. Thornton**
- ○ _____ **Write-in**
- ○ _____ **Write-in**

Proposed Constitutional Amendment
Question 1

Question: Should the Constitution of Virginia be amended to (i) protect the freedom to make personal decisions about prenatal care, childbirth, postpartum care, birth control, abortion, miscarriage management, and fertility care; (ii) protect doctors, nurses, and patients from being punished for these decisions; and (iii) allow for restrictions on access to abortion during the third trimester of pregnancy except when the patient's health is at risk or the pregnancy cannot survive?

- ○ **Yes**
- ○ **No**

Proposed Constitutional Amendment
Question 2

Question: Should the Constitution of Virginia be amended to (i) remove the ban on same-sex marriage; (ii) affirm that two adults may marry regardless of sex, gender, or race; and (iii) require all legally valid marriages to be treated equally under the law?

- ○ **Yes**
- ○ **No**

Turn Ballot Over To Continue Voting ➡

Rich Creek

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Proposed Constitutional Amendment Question 3

Question: Should the Constitution of Virginia be amended (i) to provide for the fundamental right to vote in the Commonwealth, (ii) to revise the qualifications of voters so that a person convicted of a felony is not entitled to vote during his period of incarceration but is automatically invested with the right to vote upon release from incarceration, and (iii) to update the existing prohibition on voting by persons found to be mentally incompetent to instead apply to persons who have been found to lack the capacity to understand the act of voting?

○ **Yes**

○ **No**

Sales Tax

Should Giles County, Virginia, enact a local retail sales tax of up to one percent (1%) to provide funds that can only be used to pay for construction and renovation of public schools in Giles County to expire on July 1, 2046?

○ **Yes**

○ **No**

END OF BALLOT

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