

NOTICE OF GENERAL AND SPECIAL ELECTION OF
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 709 (DULUTH), MINNESOTA
ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MINNESOTA

The polling places at which all the voters in Independent School District No. 709 may vote in the General Election and Special Election have been designated as:

City of Duluth Polling Places

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| 1. St. Michael's Catholic Church (lower level) | 4901 East Superior Street |
| 2. Lakeside Presbyterian Church (lower level) | 4430 McCullough Street |
| 3. Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd (lower level) | 1325 North 45th Avenue East |
| 4. Faith Lutheran Church Bldg. (lower level) | 1814 North 51st Avenue East |
| 5. Lakeview Covenant Church (lower level) | 1001 Jean Duluth Road |
| 6. Woodland Community Club | 3211 Allendale Avenue |
| 7. Glen Avon Presbyterian Church (lower level) | 2105 Woodland Avenue |
| 8. Duluth Congregational Church (lower level) | 3833 East Superior Street |
| 9. Pilgrim Congregational Church (lower level) | 2310 East Fourth Street |
| 10. U.M.D. Kirby Student Center | 1120 Kirby Drive |
| 11. Vineyard Christian Fellowship (auditorium) | 1533 West Arrowhead Road |
| 12. Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Duluth | 835 West College Street |
| 13. Mt. Olive Lutheran Church (lower level) | 2012 East Superior Street |
| 14. First Lutheran Church (lower level) | 1100 East Superior Street |
| 15. Peace United Church of Christ | 1111 North 11th Ave. East |
| 16. First United Methodist Church (Lakeview social hall) | 230 East Skyline Parkway |
| 17. Washington Center (gymnasium) | 310 North 1st Avenue West |
| 18. Lafayette Square (upper level) | 3026 Minnesota Avenue |
| 19. Duluth Public Library (Green Room) | 520 West Superior Street |
| 21. Lincoln Park Senior Center (lower level) | 2014 West Third Street |
| 22. Holy Cross Lutheran Church | 410 North Arlington Avenue |
| 23. Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church (fellowship hall) | 802 Maple Grove Road |
| 24. Christ Lutheran Church (rear lower level entrance) | 2415 Ensign Street |
| 25. St. Lawrence Church | 2410 Morris Thomas Road |
| 26. Holy Family Catholic Church | 2430 West Third Street |
| 27. Harrison Community Club | 3002 West Third Street |
| 28. City Center West | 5830 Grand Avenue |
| 29. Our Savior's Lutheran Church (lower level) | 4831 Grand Avenue |
| 30. Elim Lutheran Church (social hall) | 6101 Cody Street |
| 31. Zenith Terrace Community Center | 2 Foxtail Avenue |
| 32. Asbury United Methodist Church (lower level) | 6822 Grand Ave |
| 33. Goodfellowship Community Center (warming area) | 1242 88th Avenue West |
| 34. Gary New Duluth Community Recreation Center | 801 101st Avenue West |

**City of Rice Lake, Normana, North Star & Unorg. 23, Gnesen & Unorg. 2 and Lakewood Townships
Polling Places**

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| 1. City of Rice Lake City Hall | 4107 Beyer Road |
| 2. Normana Town Hall | 6472 French River Road |
| 3. North Star Township Hall | 7700 Pequaywan Lake Road |
| 4. Gnesen Community Center | 6356 Howard Gnesen Road |
| 5. Lakewood Town Hall | 3110 Strand Road |

Any qualified voter in the School District may vote at the election at the polling place designated above. Any resident of the District not previously registered as a voter may register on election day.

If you have any questions, please contact:

John Magas
Superintendent
Independent School District #709

(Oct. 25, 2023) 270194

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a General Election and a Special Election in and for Independent School District No. 709 (Duluth), Minnesota, will be held on **Tuesday, November 7, 2023**, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m., with the exception of townships having less than 500 inhabitants that have opted to establish a later poll opening, but in all cases no later than 10:00 a.m. (M.S. 204C.05).

The Independent School District #709 General Election is conducted for the purpose of selecting candidates for the following offices:

One Member of the School Board: 2nd District (Precincts 6, 8-14)

One Member of the School Board: 3rd District (Precincts 15-19, and 22-25)

One Member of the School Board: At-Large (Precincts 1-30, 32-34, Townships of Gnesen, Lakewood, Normana, North Star, Unorganized 2 & 23, and City of Rice Lake)

The Independent School District #709 Special Election is conducted for the purpose of voting on the following questions:

SCHOOL DISTRICT BALLOT QUESTION #1

APPROVAL OF SCHOOL DISTRICT BOND REFERENDUM

YES
 NO

Shall Independent School District No. 709 (Duluth) be authorized to issue its general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$21,800,000 to provide funds to refinance, for general fund operational savings, the District's Refunding Certificates of Participation, Series 2019A, dated May 29, 2019, and Refunding Certificates of Participation, Series 2021B, dated March 9, 2021 both of which financed improvements to and equipment for the District's facilities throughout the District?

BY VOTING "YES" ON THIS BALLOT QUESTION, YOU ARE VOTING FOR A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE.

SCHOOL DISTRICT BALLOT QUESTION #2

**APPROVAL OF SCHOOL DISTRICT'S CAPITAL PROJECT
LEVY REFERENDUM**

YES
 NO

The School Board of Independent School District No. 709 (Duluth) has proposed a capital project levy authorization of 4.687% times the net tax capacity of the School District. The proposed capital project levy authorization will raise approximately \$5,290,455.87 for taxes payable in 2024, the first year it is to be levied, and would be authorized for ten years. The estimated total cost of the projects to be funded over that time period is approximately \$52,904,558.70. The additional revenue from the proposed capital project levy authorization will provide funds for the acquisition, installation, replacement, support and maintenance of software, software licenses, computers, improved technology equipment, networks, infrastructure and costs of technology related personnel and training.

Shall the capital project levy proposed by the Board of Independent School District No. 709 (Duluth) be approved?

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