



NEZ PERCE TRIBE GENERAL COUNCIL ELECTION JUDGES

P.O. BOX 1050 LAPWAI, ID 83540

July 20, 2026

Dear Valued Nez Perce Tribal Members,

During Spring General Council 2026, resolution GC SP-26-01 was passed to hold a special election to amend Article IV - Membership Section 1 (B) of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Nez Perce Tribe.

Current version:

Article IV, Section 1 (B)

All children who are of at least one-fourth (1/4) degree Nez Perce Indian ancestry born to a member of the Nez Perce Tribe, provided that an application for enrollment is filed with the Nez Perce Tribal Executive Committee within eighteen (18) years after birth.

New - Proposed Amendment:

Article IV, Section 1 (B)

“All persons shall be eligible for enrollment in the Nez Perce Tribe who meet the following requirements, cumulatively:

1. Possess at least one-fourth (1/4) degree Indian blood from any federally recognized Indian Tribe within the United States; and
2. Have at least one parent or grandparent who is an enrolled member of the Nez Perce Tribe; and
3. Submit an application for enrollment in accordance with procedures established by the Nez Perce Tribal Executive Committee and applicable Tribal Law.”

Saturday, September 26, 2026

Polling Places open from 7:00am – 3:00pm

Polling Places: Kamiah at Wa-A-Yas Community Center; Orofino at Teweepuu Community Center; and Lapwai at Pi-Nee-Waus Community Center

Counting of ballots will be held in Lapwai at Pi-Nee-Waus Community Center

There are Two Methods of Voting:

- 1.) ABSENTEE BALLOT:

- A. All voters requesting absentee ballots **must** request by **4:30 p.m. on Friday August 14th, 2026**. All voters requesting absentee ballots **must** complete the absentee ballot request form with a completed notarization and return it by mail, in person to the General Council post office box, in care of the Election Judges; Or in person to ballot drop box at any of the three (3) Nez Perce Tribe Official Drop Boxes; OR by email to electionjudges@nezperce.org.
- B. Absentee vote to count for Special Elections, all absentee voting envelopes with ballots enclosed must be returned by mail or in person to ballot drop box and be received by **4:30 p.m. on Friday, September 25, 2026**. Three (3) Nez Perce Tribe Official Drop Boxes locations: Wa-A-'Yas Community Center, Kamiah; Teweepuu Community Center, Orofino; and Boards & Commissions Building, Lapwai.

2.) VOTE IN-PERSON: Must provide picture identification when voting at a polling location.

Only one method of voting is allowed. Any enrolled member of the Nez Perce Tribe who is eighteen or older shall be entitled to vote in the Special Elections. Eligible voters may vote at any polling place or by absentee but will only be allowed to VOTE ONCE.

Absentee request form is available on the Nez Perce Tribe website under the Government & Services under the General Council tab.

If you need to update your mailing address, please contact Enrollment Department at (208) 843-2253.

For further information or if you have any questions, please contact General Council Election Judges: at electionjudges@nezperce.org , Carey Reuben at 208.553.7074 or careyrgc@nezperce.org , Jasmine Higheagle at 208.790.1066 or jasmineh@nezperce.org , Kayla Warden at 208.935.8798 or kaylaw@nezperce.org

Tune into Nez Perce Tribe's Facebook to view the counting on September 27, 2026. Final numbers will also be posted on <https://www.nezperce.org/government/general-council/>

Qe'ciyew'yew' (Thank you)