

**ELECTION CALENDAR
2015 – 2016 Regular Election**

December 30, 2015:	Last day for sitting RTC member to give notice of resignation to file for other RTC office.
January 11, 2016:	Last day for sitting RTC member to give notice of resignation to file for vacated RTC seat.
January 15:	Election Announcement
January 19:	8:00 a.m. - Opening of period for filing for office.
January 28:	Close of filing period
February 5:	Selection of Election Court of Appeals Judge (For certification of candidate)
February 12:	Deadline for Notice of Certifications to TEC.
February 17:	Challenge certification or non-certification to MCT by 4:30 p.m. on the second business day following receipt of certification.
February 18:	Complete record of all documents related to challenge submit to Minnesota Chippewa Tribe by 4:30 p.m.
February 18:	Deadline for appointment of Election Boards.
February 18:	Deadline for appointment of Election Contest Judge and alternate Election Contest Judge.
February 19:	Decision of certification or non-certification or within 48 hrs. of appeal.
February 22:	Notice of Primary Election and Posting.
February 26:	TEC provides ballots for Primary Election.
April 1:	Notify MCT on choice of appellate forum.
April 5:	Primary (Polling places open from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.)
April 6:	General Reservation Election Board certifies Primary Results. (Prior to 8:00 p.m.)

April 7:	General Reservation Election Board publishes Primary Results.
April 8:	Deadline for Request for Recount. (Filed with General Election Board prior to 5:00 p.m.)
April 12:	4:30 p.m. - Deadline for Contest of Primary Election. (Filed with Reservation Election Judge and Executive Director of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe).
April 13: <i>(Results, if Allowed or 11th or 12th If earlier request)</i>	Deadline for Decision on Request for Recount and Results of Recount, if allowed.
April 22:	Deadline for Decision on Contest
April 25 <i>(or within 3 days of decision on Contest)</i>	4:30 p.m. - Deadline for Appeal to Court of Election Appeals. (Filed with the Executive Director of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe and with Reservation Tribunal rendering Decision).
April 28 <i>(or with 3 days upon receipt of Notice to Appeal):</i>	Record of Contest forwarded to Court of Election Appeals.
May 2 <i>(hearing within 7 days notice of appeal).</i>	Last Day for Hearing on Appeal
May 12 <i>(10 days from hearing on appeal).</i>	Last Day for Decision on Appeal
May 13:	Notice of General Election
May 13:	TEC provides ballots for General Election.
June 14:	General Election (Polling Places open from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.)
June 15:	General Reservation Election Board certifies results of Election. Prior to 8:00 p.m.
June 16:	General Reservation Election Board publishes Election results.
June 17:	Deadline for Request for Recount. (Filed with General Election Board prior to 5:00 p.m.)
June 21:	4:30 p.m. - Deadline for Notice of Contest. (Filed with Reservation Election Judge and Executive Director of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe.)

June 22 (<i>or 20, 21, if request for Recount is filed before deadline</i>):	Decision on Request for Recount and Results of Recount, if allowed.
July 1 st :	Deadline for Decision on Contest for General Election.
July 5th (<i>or within 3 days of decision on Contest</i>):	4:30 p.m. - Deadline for appeal to Court of Election Appeals. (Filed with Executive Director of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe and Reservation Tribunal rendering Decision).
July 8 (<i>or within 3 days upon receipt of Notice to Appeal</i>):	Record of contest forwarded to Court of Election Appeals.
July 12 (<i>hearing within 7 days notice of appeal</i>).	Last Day for Hearing on Appeal.
July 12:	Winning candidates assume office by operation of law, unless sooner seated, or the election is subject of appeal to the Court of Election Appeals.
July 22 (<i>or Ten days from Hearing on Appeal</i>):	Deadline for decision of the Court of Elections Appeal.
Day following Decision of Appeal:	Winning candidate prevailing on appeal takes office.