



CHESTER COUNTY DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE SAMPLE BALLOT – 2026 GENERAL ELECTION

Nov 3, 2026 7AM - 8PM

SAMPLE BALLOT



INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER Summary 1. TO VOTE YOU MUST COMPLETELY DARKEN THE OVAL (●) TO THE LEFT OF YOUR CHOICE. An oval (●) darkened to the left of the name of any candidate indicates a vote for that candidate. 3. Use only black or blue ink pen. 4. If you make a mistake DO NOT ERASE. Ask for a new ballot. 5. WARNING: If you receive an absentee or mail-in ballot and return your voted ballot by the deadline, you may not vote at your polling place on Election Day. If you are unable to return your voted absentee or mail-in ballot by the deadline, you may only vote a provisional ballot at your polling place on Election Day, unless you surrender your absentee or mail-in ballot and declaration envelope to the Judge of Elections to be voided to vote by regular ballot.

Please be sure to vote for each &
every marked candidate!

Governor and Lieutenant Governor

Vote for the Candidates for one Party for
Governor and Lieutenant Governor

Vote for One

- Josh Shapiro
Governor, Democratic
- Austin Davis
Lieutenant Governor, Democratic
- Stacy Garrity
Governor, Republican
- Jason Richey
Lieutenant Governor, Republican
- Ken Krawchuk
Governor, Libertarian
- John Thomas
Lieutenant Governor, Libertarian

Representative in Congress 6th District

Vote for One

- Chrissy Houlahan
Democratic
- Marty Young
Republican

General Assembly 157th District

Vote for One

- Melissa Shusterman
Democratic
- Justin J. Pak
Republican

Tredyffrin Township:

Home Rule Charter Referendum

Shall the Tredyffrin Township Home Rule Charter be amended to: (1) delete "except for the first Board to serve under this Charter, the members of which will serve for staggered terms as provided in § 1201 of this Charter" from Art. II., § 202; (2) clarify that the office of Supervisor shall be forfeited if the person is convicted of a crime that is comparable to a misdemeanor of the second degree or higher under Pennsylvania law; (3) amend the rate of compensation for Supervisors from \$1,500 to \$3,000 per annum and remove the reference to the first four years that this Charter is in effect from Art. II., § 208(A); (4) clarify that notice of special meetings shall be prominently posted at the township office, and as otherwise approved by the Board; (5) clarify that a quorum of the Board may be established by in-person presence of Board members and by electronic means; (6) amend Art. II., § 210(C) to be consistent with the Pennsylvania Sunshine Act; (7) clarify that voting on ordinances and resolutions shall be by roll call vote of the Board and that all other votes may be by motion of the Board with each Board member's vote recorded in the public meeting minutes; (8) provide that copies of the minutes of the meetings of the Board shall be available to the public at no cost; (9) amend that the meeting agenda shall be available at least twenty-four hours prior to the start of the meeting; (10) clarify that it is the duty of the Board to adopt an Administrative Code defining the organization and assignment of duties and responsibilities of township officers and employees; (11) clarify that it Chester County Board of Elections Tredyffrin Township: Home Rule Charter Referendum is the duty

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of the Board to initiate by motion, resolution, or ordinance inquiries and investigations in aid of its legislative functions; (12) abolish the elected position of Auditor and replace it with an appointed, independent auditor; (13) delete the following provisions in their entirety: Art. IV. Elected Tax Collector; Art. VI. (F) and (G); Art. VI. § C - 38(D); Art. VI. § C - 39; Art. XII., §§ C - 71 and C - 72; Art. XII., §§ C - 73(B)-(C), C - 74, C - 75, and C - 76; (14) remove the Township residency requirement for the Township Manager; (15) require a proposed ordinance be advertised in one newspaper, unless otherwise required by law; (16) remove the requirement to provide notice to neighboring property owners of an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance applying only to a small portion of the township; (17) amend the effective date of an ordinance to immediately, or at any later date specified therein; (18) require copies of standard codes be available at the office of the township for public inspection with deletion of "and for purchase at a reasonable price fixed by the Board"; (19) remove the requirement that the general compilation be published "in loose leaf form"; (20) delete language requiring copies of "The General Laws of the Township of Tredyffrin" be furnished to township officers, placed in township libraries and the township office, and be made available for purchase; (21) remove language from Art. VII. § C - 44 requiring all changes in organization and procedures set forth in the Administrative Code be effected by amendment of the Administrative Code in the same manner as other ordinances; (22) amend Art. VII. § C - 45(C) to align with current practice; (23) require the Township Solicitor to be a member of the Bar of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania in good standing; (24) amend Art. VII. § C - 46(B)(1) to require Board approval before the Township Solicitor acts as a legal advisor to other township officers, departments, boards, commissions, authorities and agencies

and to clarify that a law firm is appointed not an individual attorney; (25) delete language addressing who is responsible for the duties of Finance Manager; (26) remove the requirement to advertise the preliminary budget, but require it be discussed and acted upon at a public meeting and be available for public inspection on the Township's website or as otherwise required by law; (27) clarify the process for advertising and adopting the final budget and require that the final budget be advertised in one newspaper; (28) remove the requirement that the final budget be adopted Tredyffrin Township: Home Rule Charter Referendum by ordinance; (29) require that the budget be amended by resolution; (30) remove the capitalization policy which will now be in the Administrative Code; (31) require that all contracts of the Township involving sums in excess of an amount specified by the Board be by resolution; (32) require that the procedure for competitive bidding include advertisement in one newspaper; (33) clarify that competitive bidding is not required for, inter alia, contracts for labor, material, supplies or services aggregating less than the amount otherwise specified by the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; (34) update the categories in which discrimination is prohibited; (35) clarify that the statement of ownership of real property in the Township to be filed by Supervisors, the Township Manager, and their direct appointees does not include a principal residence; (36) specify which jurisdictions have comparable laws that disqualify a person from holding township office or employment; (37) clarify that any qualified citizen of the township may participate in the governing of the township by serving on boards, commissions, authorities, committees or other agencies of the township when "appointed"; (38) allow a transition period for any elected auditor in place prior to the adoption of the Charter amendment abolishing the

elected auditor position; (39) otherwise make various changes to terminology; and (40) to otherwise amend numbering and naming of the provisions of the Charter and make other minor changes to wording.

● YES ○ NO