

**Minnesota State University, Mankato**  
**2026 Spring Student Government Election**  
**Approved by the Election Commission on November 10, 2025**

**TIMELINE**

Election rules and the application for candidacy may be found by visiting the Student Government Website (<https://mankato.mnsu.edu/university-life/campus-services/student-government/>) and clicking on "Elections." The rules and application for candidacy may also be found by visiting the Student Government page in MavCentral. The application for candidacy (2025-2026 Student Government Candidacy Application) can be found on the Student Government Website in the Elections section.

**Election Timeline**

- January 12, 2026 - Candidacy application made available
- TBD Rules readings
  - Rules readings will NOT be required of individual candidates; however, parties must have at least one (1) member attend a reading to be scheduled with the election's commissioner or their designee, or an open rules reading meeting
  - Meetings will be held in the student government conference room (CSU 280) and on Zoom.
- March 16, 2026 – First Monday after Spring Break: Digital Campaigning Begins
  - Candidates may begin utilizing social media and online platforms to begin campaigning.
- March 23, 2026 – Filing deadline for Presidential and Vice-Presidential Candidates.
  - Deadline for full parties, or for independent candidates for President/Vice President (pairs not running with a party) to submit approved poster/handout design.
- March 27, 2026 – Physical Campaigning Begins and Deadline for Subsidy
  - Candidates may begin to hang posters and final date for President/Vice President pairs, or full Parties with President/Vice President Candidates, to utilize the printing subsidy from the Student Government.
- April 6, 2026 – Filing deadlines for all other Candidates (Senate and Boards)
  - Deadline for independent candidates for Senator or Board positions to submit approved poster/handout design and take advantage of the printing subsidy from Student Government.
- April 8, 2026 – Presidential and Vice-Presidential Candidate Forum (and Fee Increase Open Forum, if necessary)
  - CSU Hearth Lounge, 12 noon (LOCATION TBD)
- April 13-14, 2026 – Election
  - Voting open from 8:00 a.m. on Monday, April 13 – 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 14, at [www.mnsu.edu/voting](http://www.mnsu.edu/voting)
- April 17, 2026 – All campaign materials must be removed.