

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
- April 17, 2026 – All campaign materials must be removed.