



Important Information for Electors 2026 Municipal and School Board Elections

The Township of The Archipelago is preparing for the 2026 Municipal and School Board Elections, to be held on Monday, October 26, 2026. To help ensure a successful election, the Township is focused on ensuring that all eligible electors are registered and prepared to vote.

Local Electors' List

For the past four municipal elections, the Township has maintained its own local electors' list. This list is kept current through regular updates and direct communication with residents. It has proven to be accurate and responsive to the unique needs of our community, and the Township intends to continue using this locally maintained list for the 2026 election.

What's New for 2026

Recent legislative changes have resulted in Elections Ontario being responsible for maintaining, providing and supplying the Preliminary List of Electors (PLE) for Municipal and School Board Elections, a role previously held by Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC).

While this change is intended to improve consistency across Ontario, the Township of The Archipelago will continue to rely on its locally maintained electors' list for the 2026 Municipal and School Board Elections to ensure the most accurate and up-to-date information for our community.

What This Means for You

To make sure you are eligible to vote in 2026, we strongly encourage you to complete **both** of the following steps:

1. Confirm Your Information with the Township

Please contact the Township to verify that you are included on our local electors' list:

Maryann Martin, Clerk

Email: mmartin@thearchipelago.ca

Phone: 705-746-4243 Ext: 301

or

Alana Torresan, Deputy Clerk

Email: atorresan@thearchipelago.ca

Phone: 705-746-4243 Ext: 315

Please share this information with anyone eligible to vote within The Archipelago.

If someone in your household should be removed from the Township's electors' list (for example, due to death, or because they are no longer an owner or tenant), please notify us so we can update our records.

2. **Confirm Your Information with Elections Ontario**

Ensure you are included on the Provincial Voters' List by contacting Elections Ontario:

Website: www.registertovoteon.ca

Phone: 1-866-242-3025

Who Can Be an Elector?

You may be eligible to vote if you are:

- A Canadian citizen
- At least 18 years of age
- An owner or tenant of land in the Township of The Archipelago, or the spouse of one
- Not prohibited from voting under the Municipal Elections Act or otherwise by law

Why This Matters

Accurate voter information helps ensure a smooth and efficient election process. Confirming your information in advance can help prevent delays or complications when it is time to vote.

Voter participation also has a direct impact on election turnout. Higher turnout strengthens local democracy by broadening the representation of community interests and ensuring Council decisions better reflect the voices of residents. Every vote contributes to shaping the future of our community.

Key Dates to Know

- **May 1, 2026** – First day to file nomination papers for candidates
- **August 21, 2026 (ends at 2:00 p.m.)** – Nomination deadline (last day to file or withdraw)
- **August 24, 2026** – Certification of candidates and acclamations declared
- **October 14, 2026** – Advance voting period begins
- **October 26, 2026** – Voting Day (close at 8:00 p.m.)
- **November 15, 2026** – New term of Council commences

To learn more about the upcoming election, please visit our website.