

# NONPARTISAN PUBLICATION BALLOT

**Morgan County, WV**

**Primary Election**

**May 12, 2026**

	OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT	OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT																		
<b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS</b>	<b>FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISOR (Vote for ONE)</b>	<p>The Board of Education of the County of Morgan will not issue bonds in conjunction with approval of this levy. Nothing herein shall affect any special levy or levies for the retirement of bonded indebtedness.</p> <p>If for any reason all of the funds herein above allocated for any one of the above enumerated purposes is not used for such purpose in any of such four fiscal years, the unused portion of such funds may be allocated by the Board of Education of the County of Morgan, in its discretion, and expended for any one or more of the remaining purposes.</p> <p>The Board of Education of the County of Morgan may reduce the said levy rates accordingly in any given year or years during the term of this levy if the cumulative countywide assessed valuations exceed 10% growth over the preceding year and after determining the sufficiency of funds for school purposes for the next school year.</p> <p>All according to the order of the Board of Education of the County of Morgan entered on the 3rd day of February, 2026.</p>																		
<b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 1 UNEXPIRED 6 YEAR TERM (Vote for ONE)</b>	<input type="radio"/> <b>ADAM B COOK</b> Berkeley Springs <input type="radio"/> <b>NELSON JACOBSEN</b> Berkeley Springs <input type="radio"/> _____ Write-in, If Any																			
<input type="radio"/> <b>TODD A. KIRBY</b> Beckley Raleigh Co. <input type="radio"/> <b>MARTIN P. "RED HAT" SHEEHAN</b> Wheeling Ohio Co. <input type="radio"/> <b>GERALD TITUS</b> Charleston Kanawha Co. <input type="radio"/> <b>LAURA V. FAIRCLOTH</b> Martinsburg Berkeley Co. <input type="radio"/> <b>H.L. "KIRK" KIRKPATRICK</b> Beckley Raleigh Co. <input type="radio"/> _____ Write-in, If Any	<b>OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT</b>	<p>The Board of Education of the County of Morgan may reduce the said levy rates accordingly in any given year or years during the term of this levy if the cumulative countywide assessed valuations exceed 10% growth over the preceding year and after determining the sufficiency of funds for school purposes for the next school year.</p> <p>All according to the order of the Board of Education of the County of Morgan entered on the 3rd day of February, 2026.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> FOR THE LEVIES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> AGAINST THE LEVIES</p>																		
<b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS OF WEST VIRGINIA - DIVISION 2 UNEXPIRED 2 YEAR TERM (Vote for ONE)</b>	<input type="radio"/> <b>TOM EWING</b> Edmond Fayette Co. <input type="radio"/> <b>BILL FLANIGAN</b> Wheeling Marshall Co. <input type="radio"/> _____ Write-in, If Any		<p><b>INSTRUCTIONS:</b> To vote in favor of renewal of the levies, fill in the oval before "FOR THE LEVIES." To vote against renewal of the levies, fill in the oval before "AGAINST THE LEVIES."</p>																	
<b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF JUDGE OF THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION 1 (Vote for ONE)</b>	<input type="radio"/> <b>DAN GREEAR</b> So Charleston Kanawha Co. <input type="radio"/> <b>JIM DOUGLAS</b> Charleston Kanawha Co. <input type="radio"/> _____ Write-in, If Any	<p><b>PURPOSE FOR WHICH ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED</b> - To continue the local salary schedule with the required social security, unemployment compensation, workers compensation and other employee benefits for school personnel. Such funding will allow the Board to employ and retain highly qualified personnel to provide a high-quality education for the children of Morgan County in the average annual amount of \$2,558,052</p>																		
<b>NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MAGISTRATE - DIVISION 2 UNEXPIRED TERM (Vote for ONE)</b>	<input type="radio"/> <b>VINCE SHAMBAUGH</b> Great Cacapon Morgan Co. <input type="radio"/> <b>MICHAEL SULLIVAN</b> Berkeley Springs Morgan Co. <input type="radio"/> _____ Write-in, If Any	<p><b>PURPOSE FOR WHICH ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED</b> - To support critical education programs including, but not limited to, alternative education and prevention resources, academic enrichment and remediation, social and emotional support, health and wellbeing, extracurricular activities and STEM programs and vocational programing in the average annual amount of \$1,557,932</p>																		
<b>OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE MORGAN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION</b>	<input type="radio"/> <b>LAURA SMITH</b> Berkeley Springs District 1 <input type="radio"/> <b>PAM HESSLER</b> Berkeley Springs District 4 <input type="radio"/> <b>JUSTIN LITTEN</b> Berkeley Springs District 2 <input type="radio"/> <b>ALICE J LANTZ</b> Berkeley Springs District 4 <input type="radio"/> <b>LAURIE DIEFFENBACH</b> Berkeley Springs District 3 <input type="radio"/> <b>RONNIE STOTLER</b> Berkeley Springs District 5 <input type="radio"/> <b>JOHN P KANNOFSKY</b> Berkeley Springs District 2 <input type="radio"/> _____ Write-in, If Any <input type="radio"/> _____ Write-in, If Any	<p><b>PURPOSE FOR WHICH ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED</b> - To provide instructional materials, programs, textbooks and equipment in the average annual amount of \$400,000</p> <p><b>PURPOSE FOR WHICH ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED</b> - To provide for capital improvements/repairs, or purchase of property in the average annual amount of \$370,000</p> <p><b>PURPOSE FOR WHICH ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED</b> - To improve access to technology through the purchase or lease of hardware, software, infrastructure, repair and training in the average annual amount of \$125,000</p> <p><b>PURPOSE FOR WHICH ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED</b> - To provide instructional materials, programs, textbooks and equipment in the average annual amount of \$400,000</p> <p><b>PURPOSE FOR WHICH ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED</b> - To support the Morgan County Public Library at \$30,000 and the Paw Paw Public Library at \$20,000 in the average annual amount of \$50,000</p> <p><b>TOTAL \$\$\$5,560,984.00</b></p> <p>That the separate and aggregate assessed valuation of each class of taxable property within the County of Morgan is as follows:</p> <table style="margin-left: 20px;"> <tr><td>Class I</td><td>\$ -0-</td></tr> <tr><td>Class II</td><td>\$ 943,836.047</td></tr> <tr><td>Class III</td><td>\$ 409,239.757</td></tr> <tr><td>Class IV</td><td>\$ 47,500.405</td></tr> <tr><td>Aggregate</td><td>\$ 1,400,576.209</td></tr> </table> <p>That the proposed additional rate of levy in cents per 100 dollars of assessed valuation of each class of property is as follows:</p> <table style="margin-left: 20px;"> <tr><td>Class I</td><td>16.08 cents</td></tr> <tr><td>Class II</td><td>32.16 cents</td></tr> <tr><td>Class III</td><td>64.32 cents</td></tr> <tr><td>Class IV</td><td>64.32 cents</td></tr> </table> <p>The Board of Education of the County of Morgan is hereby authorized and empowered to expend in a manner and upon such terms as the Board shall subsequently decide, during the term of thislevy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the amounts needed for any of the above stated purposes. Additional assessments due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources, and newly acquired personal property shall not be included in determining whether to reduce excess levy rates or in calculating the new levy rates for any such fiscal year.</p>	Class I	\$ -0-	Class II	\$ 943,836.047	Class III	\$ 409,239.757	Class IV	\$ 47,500.405	Aggregate	\$ 1,400,576.209	Class I	16.08 cents	Class II	32.16 cents	Class III	64.32 cents	Class IV	64.32 cents
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